

the norton messenger

March 2025



EDITORIAL

Many thanks to Tessa Mould for sending in the cover photograph for this month of snowdrops at Norton church – a sign that spring is on its way. The photographs inside of the wintry scenes of last month were sent in by Debs Williams and Lesley Paris.

Please send any photographs 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	6.00pm - 6.45pm	Paracise
	7.00pm - 7.45pm	Jo's Fit4All
TUESDAY	9.30am - 10.30am	Serenity Yoga
	10.45am - 11.45am	Silver Swans Over-55s Ballet Class
	7.15pm - 9.15pm	Song Circle Ladies' Choir
WEDNESDAY	5.15pm - 6.00pm	Dancing Sparkes Children's Dancing Class
	6.30pm - 7.30pm	Zumba
THURSDAY	7.00pm - 8.00pm	Rockfit with Bliss
FRIDAY	9.15am - 10.15am	Zumba



For further details please contact: nortonvhbookings@gmail.com

CALLING ALL NORTON RESIDENTS -
The Parish Council is producing a Neighbourhood Plan
– we want your ideas!

Come along to a DROP – IN EVENT
Village Hall

Thursday 13th March 2025 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm

Come and find out more about neighbourhood plans
and let us hear your ideas about what you want
included in the Plan

FOR YOUR VILLAGE AND YOUR FUTURE

- More street lights?
- Affordable housing?
- More green spaces?

Refreshments will be available so come and join us.

**Get involved by joining the working party with your
ideas.**

For more information or to be involved please contact: Jillian Rowland,
Parish Clerk nortonparishclerk@outlook.com

ST ANDREWS CHURCH LIGHTS

If you would like to see the church lit up in 2025 please consider sponsoring the lights (£20 a week) or if you would like to celebrate an event or remember a loved one contact: Philippa Wilding
Email pfwilding@btinternet.com
Tel: 07776443004



Norton Salvation Army

What's on at the Army in February?

Sunday 2 nd	Breakfast Church (Enjoy coffee/tea/pastries in a relaxed Worship setting) (Led by: Stuart Hendry: Youth engagement Leader)	10.45am
Sunday 9 th	Morning Worship	11.00am
Sunday 16 th	Evening Praise (Led by: Maj. Graham Daniels Divisional Leader)	6.00pm
Sunday 23 rd	Morning Worship	11.00am
Sunday 30 th	Morning Worship (Celebrating Mothers Day)	11.00am
Mondays (School Term Time)	Toddlesong (Children 0-4yrs £1 per family/session)	9.00am – 11.30am
Wednesday 5 th	Friends Cafe (We are a dementia friendly group offering time out to include carers)	2.00pm – 4.00pm
Thursday's	Cameo Lunches (3 Course Meal £6.00)	11.45am – 1.30pm
Thursday 6 th /20 th	Choir Rehearsal	8.00pm – 9.30pm.
Thursday 13 th /27 th	Band Rehearsal	8.00pm – 9.30pm
Friday 21 st	Craft Club	7.00pm – 9.00pm
Our Clothes Bank situated in the car park is available for your unwanted clothes & shoes. Please help us to help others.		

If you would like to make contact with Norton Salvation Army please e-mail:
Valerie.Ling@salvationarmy.org.uk OR Peter.Newson@salvationarmy.org.uk

We will be pleased to help you where possible with any questions/queries

A Christian Church and Registered Charity No: 214779, and in Scotland SC09359
The Salvation Army Territorial Headquarters, 101, Newington Causeway, London, SE1 6BN

Please feel free to come & join in with us at any time: You would be very welcome



I am writing this article during the last week of Spring 1 before we break for half term and on reflection, it has certainly been a busy and energy-packed one. There have been many highlights, and the school environment and classrooms certainly reflect what the children have been learning.

As many of you will be aware, at the end of the Autumn term we had two inspections, Ofsted and SIAMS. I am pleased to share that both inspections went well, please see below some of the key findings identified:

- Children thrive at Norton
- The school is highly ambitious for what pupils can achieve
- Pupils are exceptionally well behaved. Everyone knows the routines and expectations and follows these. This means that classrooms are highly focused places where pupils work hard
- Many opportunities are explored through a rich and engaging curriculum to make sure pupils grow and flourish. Norton has clear examples of improving lives for the better because of its genuine love and care
- A culture of everyone being celebrated for who they are, underpins the ethos of the school. This means no limits are placed on an individual

As Headteacher, I know that these comments are only possible due to the hard work and dedication of the staff who work at Norton, the wonderful children who attend and the families who continue to support the school.

As a school, we have enjoyed two theatre performances, the first being Snow White, courtesy of the West Midlands Children's Theatre. The entire school enjoyed this delightful show, which was filled with plenty of laughter, excitement, and audience participation. Blast Off, performed by Saltmine, provided a clear message about online safety in such a fun and interacting way. We were so fortunate that Saltmine stayed with us for the whole day, carrying out workshops with our Key Stage 2 children. All the children have also enjoyed a PE Enrichment session with a focus on circus skills. The scene of juggling balls, scarfs and balancing plates were a plenty in the hall during each class's session.

In the classroom, the children in Star Class have really enjoyed their topic on 'Toys'. The children have 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. The children also had a special visitor, Mrs Dunlop, who came into school to tell them all about being a nurse today in 2025.

In Planet Class, the children had a wonderful day when History Off The Page visited the school to embed their learning linked to The Great Fire of London. The children started the morning by becoming apprentices on the streets of London, learning skills common for workers of the era: leather working, metal working, sewing, etc. As the children learnt their trades, news of fire spreading in London reached the streets. With the flames drawing closer, the children took action to stop it, including forming fire lines and tearing down local buildings!

In Key Stage 2, the children in Comet Class have just completed their Design and Technology week where they designed, made and evaluated Egyptian collars, known as Wesekhs. The results were phenomenal, with the children demonstrating patience and resilience as they completed them. In Rocket Class, the children are really enjoying their Roman topic and as part of art and design the children designed and made their own Roman sandals. They were also able to further their knowledge of the Romans with a visit to Colchester Castle. In Art, Meteor Class have been exploring the work of George Seurat. They have been using the pointillism technique to complete the picture 'A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande'. As part of their work on the Mayans, the children have been turning their research into the ancient Mayan city of Chichen Itza into a piece of writing encouraging visitors to come and experience this amazing place. In Year 6, the children have looked at how far our food travels to reach our plates in Geography. They have also completed a blogging unit in computing. In Science, they had fun playing 'Sticky Dogs' where they learnt how different environmental factors can affect adaptation of animals and, therefore, their survival or extinction!

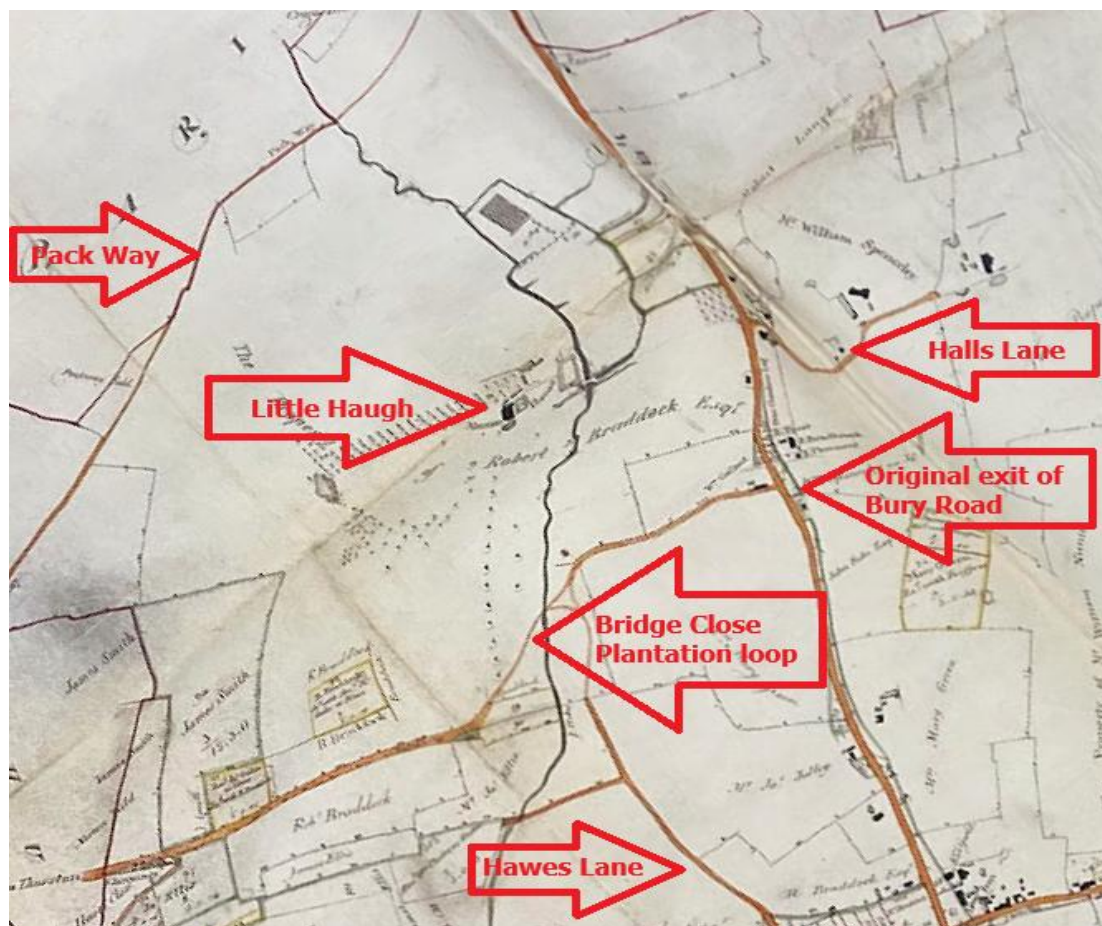
As you can see it has been a busy Spring 1 Term.
 Mrs Sparkes



DOWN OUR STREET

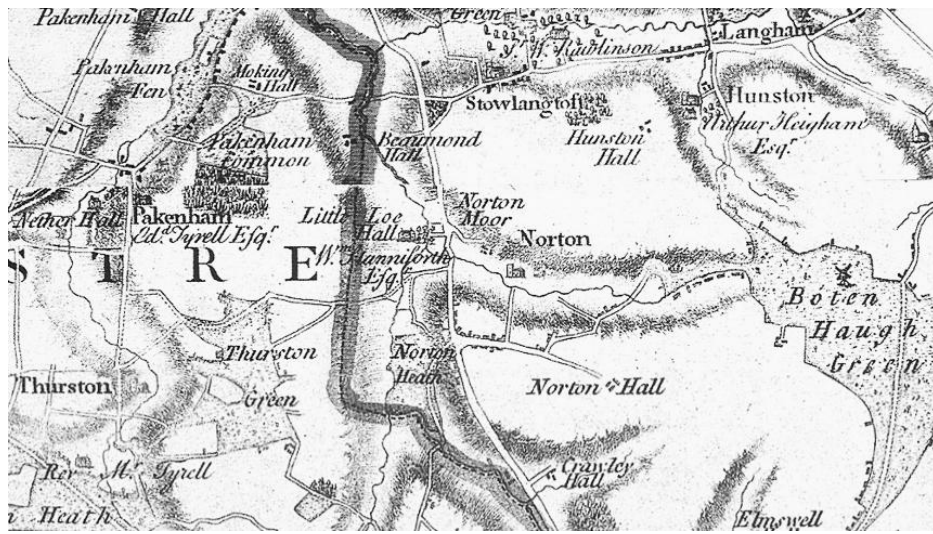
Continuing to look at roads, tracks and footpaths in the parish again this month. In my opinion, I feel it is important to record what has been and what still is in the village, for future generations.

Looking at the NW part of the 1814 map of Norton (It does not show footpaths) it is interesting to see the old route of the Thurston Road and also the original route of Halls Lane.

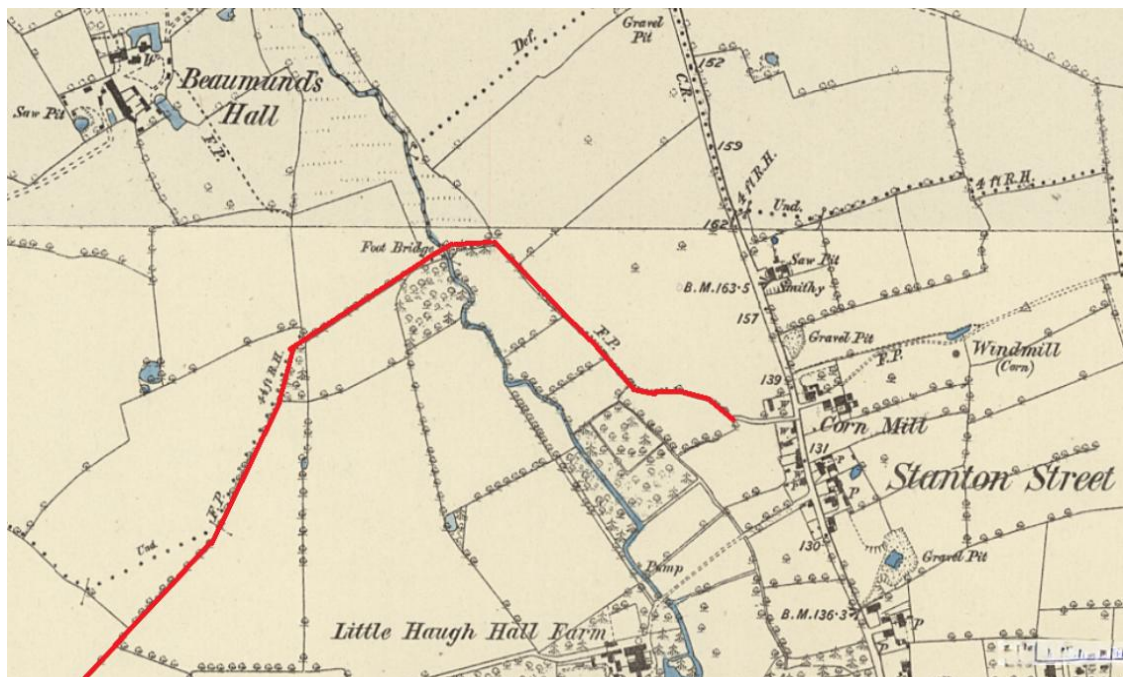
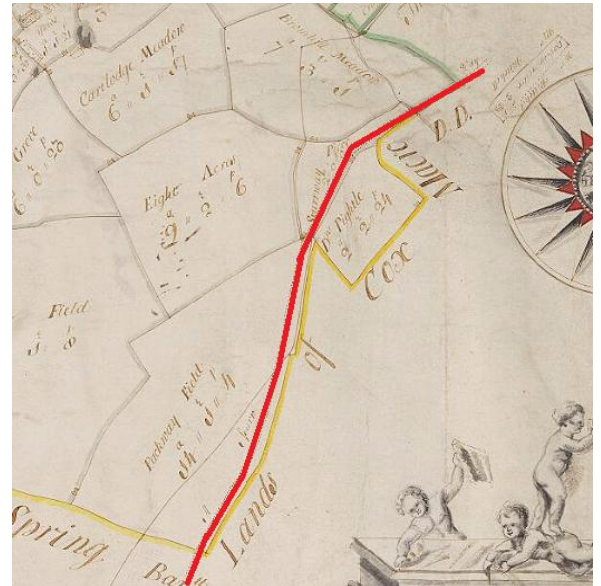


The original roads are shown in red. From Thurston, the road turned left (where the modern footpath to Little Haugh enters next to Bridge Close Plantation and joined the A1088 very close to where the entrance to The Gardens has been constructed. Halls Lane exited onto the main road between Stanton House and Holly House, by the post box, in an area of Norton called 'The Moor.'

Although less detailed, Hodkinson's Map of 1783 (below) shows these same roadways but there is no road through Little Green, and no roads across Button (Boten) Haugh Green from Norton and Hunston, just a north to south track from Gt Ashfield to Elmswell. Little Haugh is Little Loe Hall!



Packway Lane as shown on the first (1814) map, crossed four parishes. It runs from Thurston Great Green opposite Elm Farm (Seaman's Builders) then crosses on to the lands of Little Haugh in Norton. From there it runs along the lands of Beaumont's Hall in Pakenham (Colourised Photo from late 1800s, which was farmed from 1750 onwards by 5 generations of my family), back into Norton and into Stowlangtoft. Luckily, a map of the farm was produced by the cartographer John Kirby in 1737 for the then owner, The Revd. Benjamin Lany. (Below. Packway in red. Lands of Cox Macro were at Little Haugh, Norton). The 1841 tithe map also shows this ancient roadway.



Later OS maps show the footpath from the Packway bridge over the Black Bourn through to the A1088, emerging opposite 'The Old Mill'.

Sweethill Lane is over 200 years old and runs from Tostock Road through to the low grazing meadows and a field called Sweethill. It now leads to the Black Bourn nature reserve.



Church Lane was put in at the request of Rev Dr Dicken and was completed by Arthur Burt in 1840 . Previously the route had been a footpath and the rector had to travel up Ashfield Road and along Saunders Lane to reach the rectory behind St Andrew's Church.

Barrow Way was mentioned last month as the track from Ashfield Road to Crawley Hall and on to the A1088 by Arch Farm Cottage. At least from the time of Queen Elizabeth 1 probably earlier.

Petticoat Lane ran from A1088 to Crawley Grove, a 17 acre wood which was felled between 1841 and , which was located just to the northeast of Crawley Hall.

Hall Lane is an ancient roadway to the senior manor house in Norton.

Saunders Lane survives as a Byway and is the ancient original trackway to the church and rectory from opposite No1 Ashfield Road. It was certainly known by that name in 1814, but I have no idea who Saunders was and have not seen an earlier map with that name on it.

Trackway to Sir George Wombwell's fields at Little Green (by the toad sign) before Manor Farm. Now a footpath, this ancient trackway has become rather overgrown in the last 15 years.



There are several ancient driftways off this stretch of road in Little Green. One leads past Manor Farm Cottages to 'Cranmers' (which was originally a barn at 'Becketts,' The Street) and 'Pantiles.'

Other tracks lead to the old 'Haydons Farm' which was for many years farmed by the Tyrell family. **Hardings Lane** was built following enclosure of common land around 1814, across Button Haugh Green to Hardings Farm. It originally joined the Ashfield to Elmswell road near the water tower. The old Hardings farmhouse was demolished many years ago and pig units were installed on the site. The name Harding is an ancient one, and in the case of this Harding(s), it is known to be John Harding(s) who gave his name to the manor, farmhouse and lane. He lived in the late 1300s to the early 1400s and was married to Agnes of Norton. As her husband, he had the legal right to his wife's land, which had been left to her by her father. However, he pre-deceased her and she again became the legal owner of her land and was able to dispose of it as she felt fit. The manor was sold to Robert and John Berdewell, sons of Sir William Berdewell, between 1420 and 1425.

Recording Norton's History.

I am still needing help with finding any old photos taken in Norton, (particularly any taken from the 1800s to 2010) showing buildings, events or residents (if they can be named). Also useful would be lists of previous occupiers of older houses in the village with dates, if possible, as this can help me locate families from old census records. I have access to census records from 1841 to 1921, but these do not give addresses, just name, age and occupations. Since taking on the role of Recorder for Norton, I have tried to gather as much data as possible before it is lost. Sadly, many people who spent their entire lives in the village have passed away and memories and photos have been lost. If you can help, I live at 'Paigles,' The Street. Tel No 01359 232850. My email is bg55599@hotmail.com or speak to my son Andy Burt at Andy's Autofix, Woolpit Road.

I have put many photos and records on Facebook. Look for 'Norton Suffolk History and Photos.' If you click on Photos, then Albums, I have grouped the photos and info by road/street order etc.

Norton Baptist Church March 2025

Norton Baptist Church



Check the information below
for our services throughout
March and beyond



Norton Baptist Church



March has come around so quickly and we are excited for what is going on at Norton Baptist. This month we continue with The Prayer Course – looking at The Lords Prayer and how it can have an impact. Don't worry if you have missed the previous sessions – each one is self contained and easy to access. We have a special service on the 16th for the Baptist Missionary society followed by lunch at the church. Please let us know if you want to join us so that we have numbers for catering purposes. The last Sunday is our Mothers Day service which will be a family service for all ages. More information is on our Facebook page or email us if you have any questions.

	2 nd	9 th	16 th	23 rd	30 th
Praise and Worship	10am				
The Prayer Course		10am			
Praise and Worship*			10am		
Café Church				10am	
Mothers Day					10am



ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH (Part of the Benefice of Pakenham, Norton & Tostock, with Great Ashfield, Hunston & Stowlangtoft)

Rector: Revd Katherine Valentine Tel 01359 235095 Email: kavalentine677@gmail.com

Website: www.achurchnearyou.com Benefice Church magazine www.vcnews.org.uk

March 2025 Church Services

Open daily for visitors and private prayer. St Andrew's Norton services are highlighted below.

MARCH

2ND	SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT		
	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Norton
	10am	Family@Church KAGERA	Pakenham

Launching of our Lent Appeal to support our twin diocese of Kagera in Tanzania. Service will be led by the Kagera Link team - special African crafts and Tanzanian doughnuts! Come early for the crafts. All welcome!

5TH	ASH WEDNESDAY		
	7.30pm	Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes	Pakenham
9TH	1ST SUNDAY OF LENT		
	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Tostock
	9.30am	Morning Worship	Great Ashfield
	11.00am	Family Communion	Pakenham
16TH	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT		
	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Pakenham
	9.30am	Morning Worship	Norton
	11.00am	Family Communion	Great Ashfield
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer & Praise	Tostock
23RD	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT		
	9.30am	TOAST	Great Ashfield
	9.30am	Holy Communion	Hunston
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Tostock
	11.00am	Family Communion	Norton
30TH	MOTHERING SUNDAY		
	10.00AM	FAMILY COMMUNION - LOVE YOUR MUM!	STOWLANGTOFT

This is a service for the whole benefice - Posies - cake - worship - fun - and a chance to give thanks to God for our mothers and grandmothers and all they do or have done for us. Families of all shapes and sizes welcome!"

LENT COURSE 2025

5 Wednesdays from March 12th-April 9th 7.30pm in The Martin Room at St Mary's Pakenham
Women of Holy Week : an Easter Journey in nine stories by Paula Gooder.

All are welcome to come along to these 5 meetings and explore this book which traces Jesus journey to the cross and those who accompanied him.

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6th JANUARY 2025

PRESENT in the Chair: Mrs. S. Hill

Mr. B. Aket, Prof. K. Jaggard, Mr R. Lenko, Mr. J. Morgan, Mr. G. Walton, Mr. N. Winstanley, Mrs. J. Rowland (Clerk)

LGA 1972 s12 para 40

County Councillor A. Mellen
District Councillor H. Richardson
District Councillor D. Bradbury
1 member of the public.

APOLOGIES: Mr. J Bolus

The Council consented to accept the apology and reasons, which will be recorded in the attendance register.

1.	The Chair welcomed all and wished everyone a Happy New Year.	
2.	Declarations of pecuniary and local non-pecuniary interests a) To receive 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) To receive declarations of lobbying for planning matters on the agenda -none c)To receive 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 Miss D. Smith explained to Councillors that parents parking in School Close in the bays and on the pavement, despite the zigzag lines prohibiting parking, continues to be a big problem for residents. She presented letters from residents outlining the problems. The Chair asked Miss Smith what she felt the Council could do to help with this issue. Miss Smith stated she had spoken to the County Council about the problem and been given good feedback. She stated the whole of Suffolk is being reviewed with regard to parking and School Close had been added to the list. Councillors stated their full support with any ideas the County Council suggests to help the problem and asked to be kept updated. - Members of the public – to receive comments submitted via email Following parents being told not to park at The Dog, Mrs. Hill stated she had visited the landlord to discuss use of the car park at school times. The landlord outlined the problems he was having with parents and had decided to blanket ban use of the car park and impose a system whereby he could impose fines. Councillors discussed ways parking for parents dropping off to school could be improved. Mr. Walton commented on use of the SWT field to the right of the school but this would likely be very costly. Cllr Mellen stated he had spoken to the Head, but parking was a problem for every school. Norton was fortunate in having use of the village hall car park.	Agenda
4.	REPORTS FOR INFORMATION –to receive written reports for information only - Report from County Councillor Andy Mellen. Councillor Mellen confirmed the bridge repair is expected to be completed by the end of February. Prof. Jaggard commented on large new warehouses not being required to put solar panels on roofs. Mr. Aket enquired about Council reorganisation. Cllr Mellen stated there is a Council meeting on Thursday to discuss Suffolk and Norfolk going into the priority programme for devolution and government reorganisation. He was hoping this would not postpone the election in May. Mr. Lenko enquired whether Highway rules for 'A' road are the same throughout the Country or whether rules differ from County to County. He stated there are traffic calming measures (ie road narrowing) in place in Aylesbury on an 'A' road which has changed the traffic speed in this area. Councillor Mellen stated when the proposals were looked at for the A1088 there was no space to put in a crossing or mid island near the crossroads. He agreed to enquire about road narrowing. - Report from District Councillors Richardson and Bradbury – noted. Mr. Aket enquired why CIL money had been allocated to Thurston Upper School. Cllr Richardson explained it was for the expansion of their car park so in fact came from developers to help prop up the local infrastructure, rather than from the Education Council Tax.	
5.	MINUTES	
	5.1 To RESOLVE the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd December 2024 are a true and correct record. Mr. Aket proposed, Mr. Walton seconded with all in agreement NB The minutes published in the January 2025 Messenger were for November 2024 not October 2024 as published	
6.	COOPTION - To consider cooption to the vacant post - ongoing	

7.	MATTERS ARISING	
	7.1 Parish Tree and Wildflower planting scheme. Mr. Winstanley stated he had spoken with Mr. Parmee, orders have been placed, but better weather is awaited for planting. Mr. Walton felt the area needed to be better prepared to give the wildflower planting a chance to survive and not be smothered.	Mr. Winstanley
	7.2 UKPN update. Mr. Walton stated he had emailed his contacted at FIT and was awaiting his reply.	Mr. Walton
	7.3 Footpath signs damaged. Following the email from ROW, Mr. Walton was unaware of who had caused the damage but stated it was not the landowners as suggested by ROW.	
	7.4 To receive details of site and installation for memorial bench following onsite meeting. The site has been agreed and now dependent on weather for installation.	Mr. Winstanley
8.	PLANNING	
	8.1 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION WITHOUT COMPLIANCE OF CONDITION(S) Land At Stanton Street, Ixworth Road, Norton - DC/24/05254 Application Reference S73 for the Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of Reserved Matters application DC/23/00739 dated 20/04/2023 (following Outline Planning Permission DC/19/05860 - Erection of 2no. detached dwellings with garages.) Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) -To vary Condition 2 (Approved Plans and Documents) to enable carrying out development in phases as per revised plan. The Council had no comment to make.	
	8.2 APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE OF CONDITION(S) Land West of Ixworth Road, Norton - Plot 8 (Phase 2), TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990. Discharge of Conditions Application for DC/24/03348 - Condition 3 (Landscaping Scheme) The Council had no comment to make.	
	8.3 GRANTED DC/22/01941 Plot 2, Land West of Suffolk House, Ixworth Road, Norton Application for approval of reserved matters following Outline Planning Permission Erection of 9No self-build/custom build dwellings (allowed under Appeal APP/W3520/W/23/3316136) details for the layout, scale, appearance and landscaping for Plot 2 only.	
9.	FINANCE	
	9.1 To approve the accounts awaiting payment: On line- Clerk's salary £416.00 LGA1972 s112 Street Cleaner £55.20 LGA1972 s112 Tenhats, January Messenger, £363.00 LGA1972 s112 HMRC £117.80 Cheque no 522584 LGA1972 s112 Transfer to Lloyds account £5000, cheque no 522858 LGA 1972 s111	
	9.2 The Clerk confirmed there would be a loan repayment on 09/01/25 for £11230.78	
	9.3 To receive budget statement. The Clerk presented a budget showing the amendment to allocate an additional £25,000 for finishing off at the Village Hall. This was AGREED and accepted.	
	9.4 Mr. Walton asked the Council to consider an allocation each year to renew the Wi-Fi at the Hall. Councillors agreed to support.	
	9.5 To receive change of account at Lloyds to community account, with maintenance fee of £4.25 per month – noted.	
10	PRECEPT	
	10.1 The Clerk presented a proposed Precept of £50,000 and commented on the total loan repayments due each year, but felt £55,000 would give the Council a buffet to ensure all commitments are met. On a vote the proposal for £55,000 was carried with one objection.	
11	SPEEDWATCH	
	11.1 Updated on Speedwatch report received from Andrew Stone. As this was a detailed report it will be discussed at the next meeting. Mr. Stone stated his intention to stand down as coordinator but suggested a person who may be willing to take this on. The Council supported this suggestion.	Agenda Mr. Lenko
	11.2 Mr. Lenko stated some of the SIDs was not working due to lack of sunlight and required the batteries to be taken down and recharged at home. He also felt a new pole was required at the top of the hill in Ixworth Road for the new large SID and solar panel.	

	11.3 Parish Council strategy to combat speeding. Mr. Lenko presented various types of gating. It was agreed not to have the diagonal design. He stated an accredited installer would be required to put the gates in at either end of the village. The gates would cost in the region of £1200 a pair. He will present further suggestions at the next meeting, with quotes.	Mr. Lenko
12	VILLAGE HALL	
	12.1 Update on additional items. As the coffee shop contract is not finalised this has held up purchase of kitchen equipment etc. There are still technical problems with main hall lights and the thermostats require programming. Bookings are good. Equipment for the office has been obtained from a London firm.	
13	PLAY AREAS	
	13.1 Play area adjacent to Village Hall – All OK	
	13.2 Play area in Prospect Road OK. Price for small sign on field awaited.	Mr. Walton
14	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	
	14.1 Two Councillors stated their willingness to join a working party. Mr. Walton suggested two people he knew who might be interested in joining the working party. Request for volunteers will be placed in the Messenger and on FB. The Clerk will continue to work with Mr. Poole for the next stage. SWT state they would like to work with the working group, and Cllr Richardson offered his assistance.	Clerk Mr. Lenko Mr. Winstanley
	14.2 SCC Guidance notes forwarded to all Councillors.	
15	CORRESPONDENCE	
	15.1 Ownership of Defib at Village Hall. Mr. Burt felt Village Hall or Parish Council should take on ownership of the Defib and report as necessary. In the interim the Clerk will take this on, but Dr. Mason will be asked for the longer term.	Clerk
16	Questions and Comments from Members and suggestions for next meeting.	
	16.1 Mr. Morgan stated the dig at Norton Church is due to be shown on the television. On BBC East a few months ago there was a highlight on the beavers.	
	16.2 Mr. Winstanley felt the Council at some point should look further into a whole village traffic survey asking an independent traffic engineer to report and provide recommendations.	
	16.3 Mr. Aket stated he has 2 boxes of coronation mugs. It was suggested these are shared out between the 3 churches, or given to a charity shop.	
	16.4 Mr. Aket stated he has the cricket kit available. Mr. Morgan agreed to ask if the Woolpit Cricket Club would like this.	
17	To confirm the date of next meeting: 3 rd February 2025	
18	There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.05	

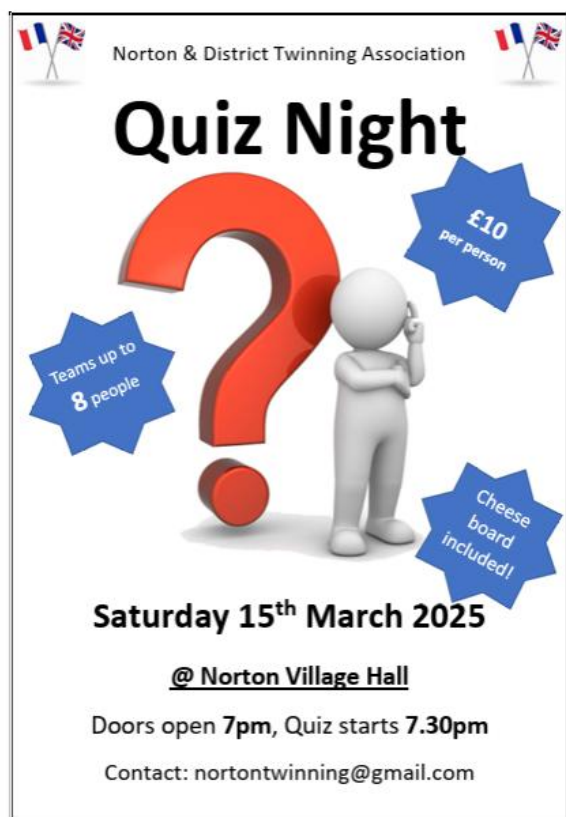


ELMSWELL HISTORY GROUP

On **13th March**, 7.30pm at Elmswell's Wesley Hall (IP30 9EE), we will welcome Don Mobley for his talk on **"The History of U.S. Military Aviation in East Anglia"**. This will take us from 1917 (when five US pilots trained with the RFC's 75 Home Defence Squadron at Elmswell Aerodrome) to both World Wars, then to the Cold War and the modern era, before touching down with a video of a new F-35 demonstration flight. Having learnt to fly at the age of 11, Don joined his father in the USAF, and first came to Suffolk in 1987 when he was posted to RAF Lakenheath. Don retired to Stowupland in 2010 and will be imparting a wealth of historical aviation knowledge with personal flying experience. Do join us then for what should be an up-lifting evening.

For further information about our History Group, please visit our website –www.elmswell-history.org.uk – or contact our Secretary, on 01359-242601

VILLAGE EVENTS AND NOTICES



Norton & District Twinning Association

Quiz Night

Teams up to 8 people

£10 per person

Cheese board included!

Saturday 15th March 2025

@ Norton Village Hall

Doors open 7pm, Quiz starts 7.30pm

Contact: nortontwinning@gmail.com



NORTON VILLAGE HALL A.G.M.



To be held on

Tuesday, 22nd April 2025 at 8.00pm

Everyone is welcome and your support would be appreciated

We are actively seeking new members for the Management Committee. If you would like more information, then please come along to the meeting or contact us at: nvhbookings@gmail.com

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