

the norton messenger

April 2023



EDITORIAL

It's a longer edition this month and we have some more pets starring in the Messenger, as well Down our Street and news of the events planned for the coronation.

This month's cover photo is of Black Bourn water meadows by Dave Ling.

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

Best wishes, Diana



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NORTON

CORONATION of KING CHARLES III - 6TH MAY 2023

Your Parish Council has been busy discussing appropriate village activities to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles 3rd on May 6th.

After much thought the following has been agreed.

There is to be a competition for the best decorated house in the parish. Judging will take place just before the Coronation weekend. Prizes to be announced nearer the time.

Coronation Day, Saturday May 6th- It is assumed that most folks will wish to watch the Coronation service on TV at home with friends and family. It hoped that no-one will watch alone and that near neighbours will invite in anyone likely to be on their own.

In the evening there will be dancing in the village hall with live music, refreshments and bar available. Tickets will be only £10 each with accompanied children up to Year 8 free. See the advert below.

Sunday May 7th – In keeping with national plans there will be a Community 'Street Party' at lunchtime on the Playing Field. Everyone is invited to bring their picnics, tables and chairs and to continue the celebrations.

All children attending Norton School and Norton Pre-School will receive a Coronation Mug, presented by the Parish Council. These will be presented at the school or pre-school.

Parents who live within the parish of Norton with pre-school children or have others that attend other primary schools (up to Year 6), please email Brian Aket (Aket@btinternet.com) as soon as possible with your address, the child's name, date of birth and school attended. These children will also receive a mug over the Coronation weekend.

It is anticipated that some mugs may also be available for general sale over the weekend.

The Coronation will be a rare event, the last one being nearly seventy years ago. In Norton we have a tradition of properly celebrating national events and the Parish Council believes that will continue as we approach the big day.



CORONATION DANCE

To celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III

LIVE BAND: **It's Fete**
...Function Band

Saturday 6th May 2023

Doors open at 7.00 pm
Music starts around 7.30 pm
Licensed Bar

NORTON VILLAGE HALL
IP31 3LE

Street food by: "Bad Boi Burritos"

TICKETS: £10
(Schoolchildren up-to-and-including Year 8 - free of charge but Child's Ticket required)

FUNDRAISING GAMES
for local charities including:



Tickets available from Gary Walton - email gary@legendservices.net

NORTON VILLAGE HALL CLASSES

IP31 3LE



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



For further details please contact: nortonvhbookings@gmail.com

VILLAGE HALL NOTICES

Calling all local Artists:

The Norton Village Hall Management Committee are thinking of holding an 'Art Exhibition Weekend' and wanted to gauge the interest of potential artists in the local area that might be interested in displaying/selling their work.

If you are interested in participating in this event can you please contact us by email: nortonvhbookings@gmail.com

PETS OF NORTON - SOOTY



AGM

Norton Village Hall Management Committee Reg. Charity #1063062

Thursday 13th April 2023, 7.00pm

Norton VHMC invites residents of Norton, members of the public and other interested parties to attend our Annual General Meeting in the village hall.

Norton VHMC is comprised entirely of volunteer Trustees from within the village, and the committee is responsible for the efficient and effective operation of our village hall, and also for its continued maintenance, improvement and development. In recent years the committee has successfully implemented several improvement projects which have made a material difference to the user's experience.

For all of this we need continued supportive engagement from within our local community.

The agenda for the meeting includes certain statutory requirements, but also includes an open forum for questions from the floor and discussion on matters relevant to Norton Village Hall.

Agenda

- Chairman's welcome
- Apologies
- Approval of 2022 minutes
- Financial report, Treasurer
- Activities summary, Bookings Manager
- Chairman's review of projects & outlook
- Open forum
- Election of principals; Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and trustees
- Co-opting of new committee members
- AOB
- Date of next AGM & date of next NVHMC meeting

Norton Village Hall contact points

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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: for more details of all our churches - including Norton - see the national Church of England website www.achurchnearyou.com

Our benefice Church magazine is also available online at www.vcnews.org.uk

April 2023 Church Services and Opening times

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

2 nd	Palm Sunday	8am Holy Communion 10am Family@Church Palm Sunday	Norton Pakenham
6 th	Maundy Thursday	7.30pm Holy Communion with stripping the altar and vigil until 9pm	Pakenham
7 th	Good Friday	10am Meditations 10am Easter Garden Service 1.30pm Walk of witness & Hour at the Cross 2pm All age Good Friday Service (Village Hall at 1.30pm to make your cross)	Tostock Norton Pakenham Great Ashfield
9 th	Easter Day	6.30am Holy Communion (BCP) 9.30am Holy Communion 9.30am Family Festival Communion 9.30am Family Festival Communion 11am Family Festival Communion 11am Family Festival Communion 11am Family Festival Communion	Norton Stowlangtoft Pakenham Hunston Great Ashfield Norton Tostock
16 th	1st Sunday of Easter	9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) 11am Holy Communion 11am Morning Worship 6pm Evening prayer and praise	Pakenham Great Ashfield Norton Tostock
23 rd	2nd Sunday of Easter	9.30am TOAST 9.30am Family Communion 11am Morning Worship	Great Ashfield Norton Tostock
30 th	3rd Sunday of Easter	10am Benefice Communion	Stowlangtoft

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH LIGHTS



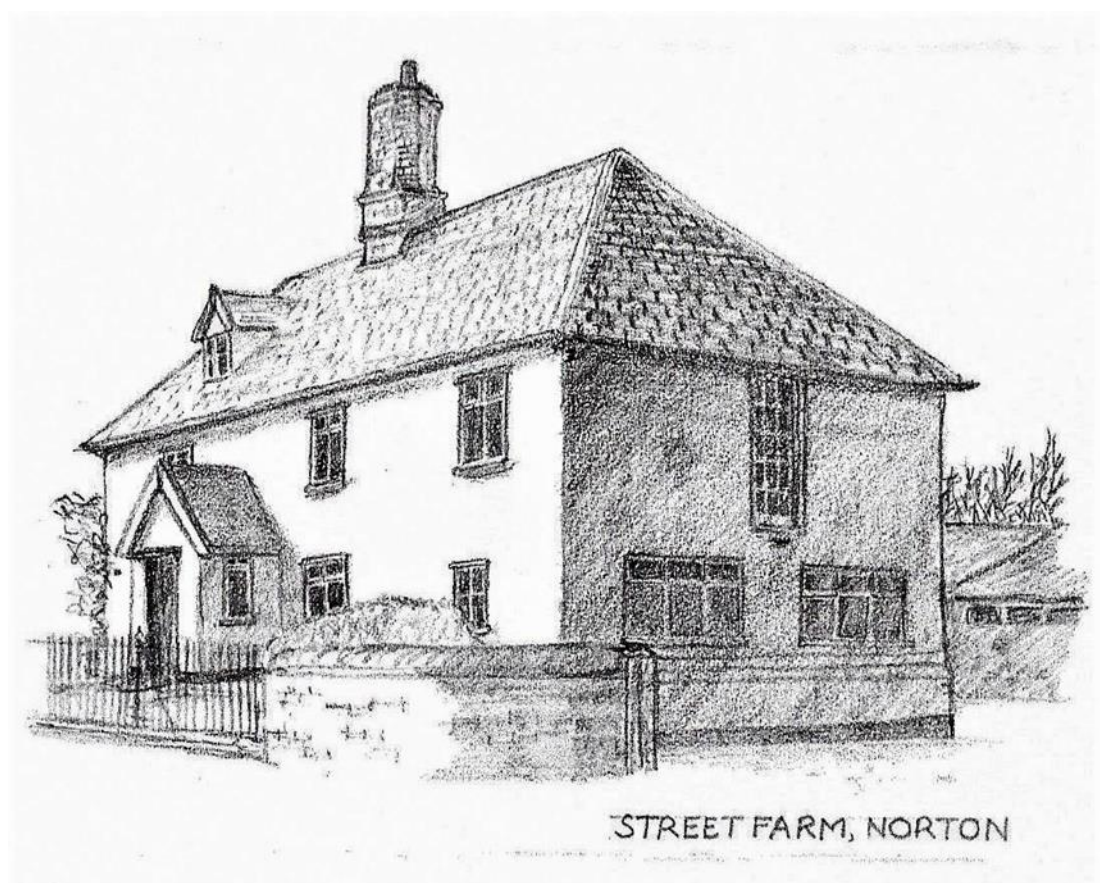
If you would like to see the church lit up in the evenings please consider sponsoring the lights (£20 a week) to celebrate an event or remember a loved one. Please contact: Philippa Wilding email pfwilding@btinternet.com Telephone 07776443004

DOWN OUR STREET

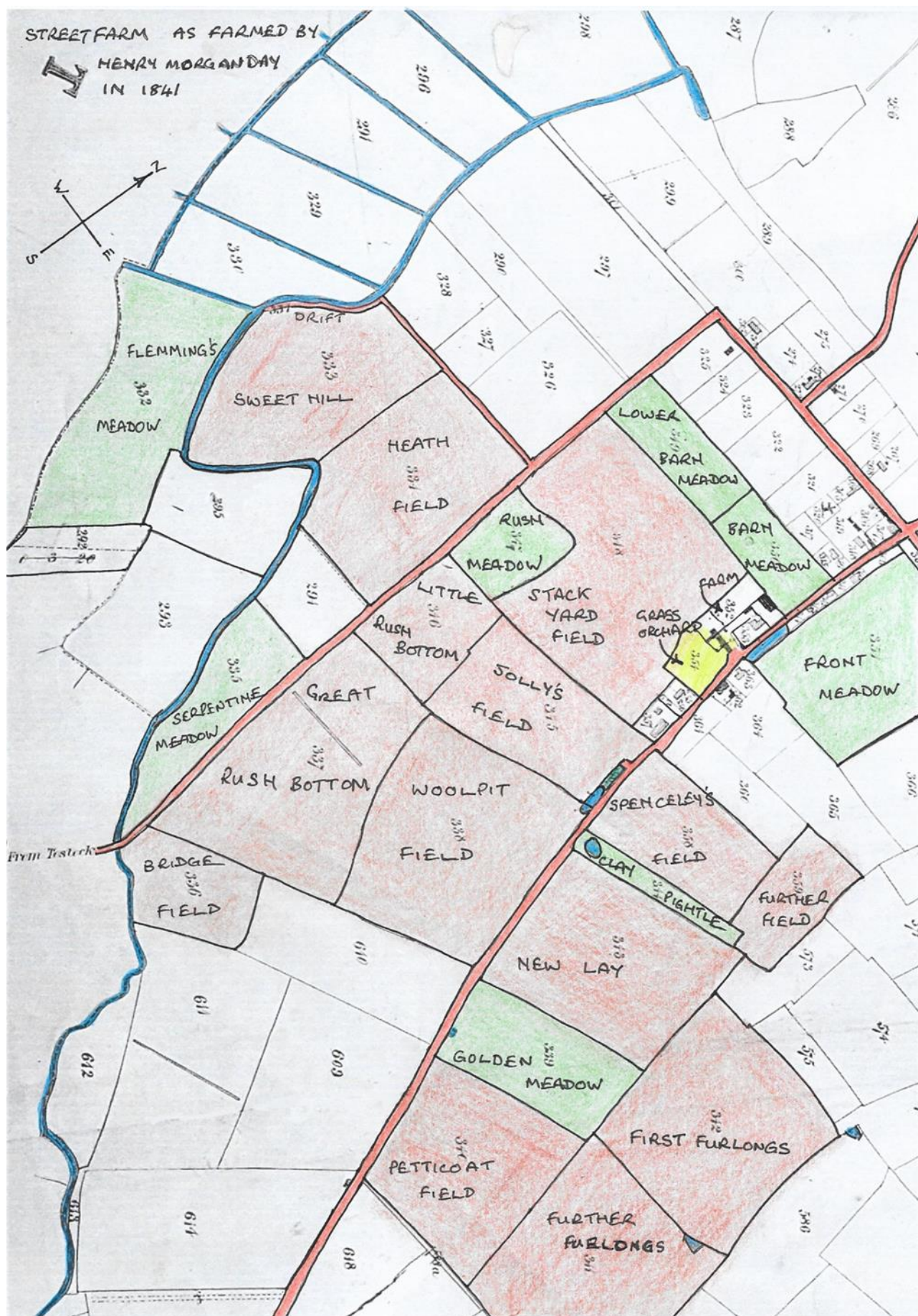
I mentioned last month that I hope to look at some of the many farms which existed in Norton in 1841. (Many more than now). This month I start with Street Farm on Woolpit Road.



Looking across the A1088, Street Farm from the Front Meadow.



Street Farmhouse as drawn by Mrs J. Jaggard.



The fields of Street Farm as named in the 1841 Tithe Apportionment Book. The fields coloured green were pasture at that time and those coloured brown were arable. I have drawn in the direction of North as my original photo of that part of the map did not align top to bottom.

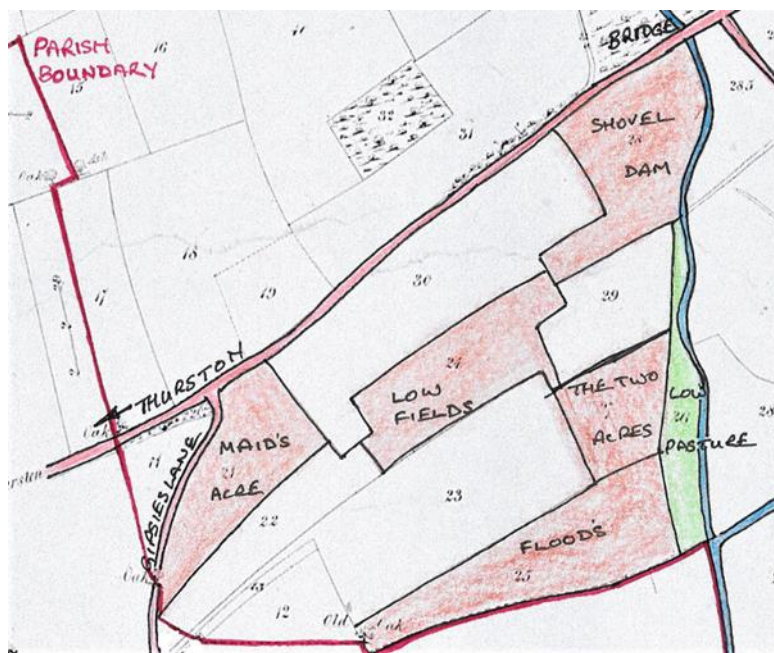
The farmer at that time was Henry Morgan Day, born August 1808 in Wickham Skeith. He was there from 1831 with his wife Sarah and their daughter. (By 1851 he had moved to Langham). The farm and land mainly belonged to Henry's father William Day, who also owned what is now called 'May Cottage' on The Common corner, Ashfield Road.

However, four fields and a small part of the river were owned by Martin Spenceley. To the west, in what is now part of the Suffolk Wildlife Trust's 'Black Bourne Nature Reserve', were Flemming's Meadow, Sweethill and part of the drift along the Black Bourne which is part of the footpath to Grove Farm in Thurston. The other two fields were to the east of the A1088 and were named Spenceley's Field and Further Field.

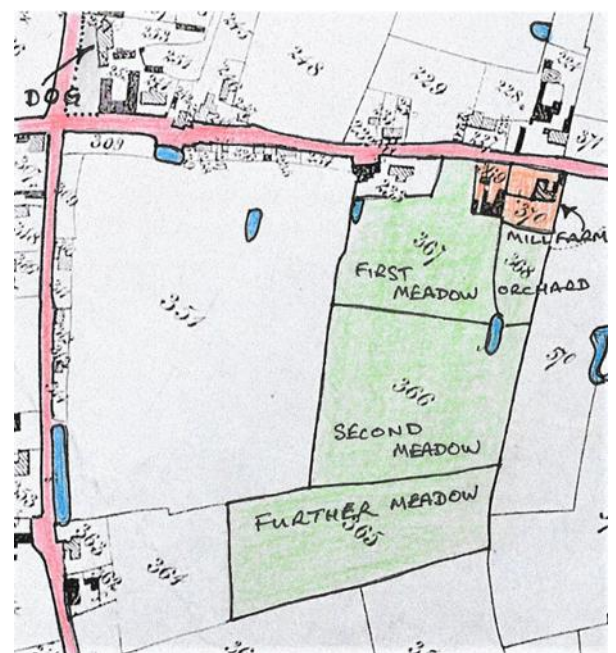


An aerial view of Street Farmhouse, the animal sheds and the pond.

Martin Spenceley owned more fields in Norton, west of the Black Bourne, near the Thurston Road bridge and also 'Mill Farm' in The Street and the fields from there across towards Street Farm.

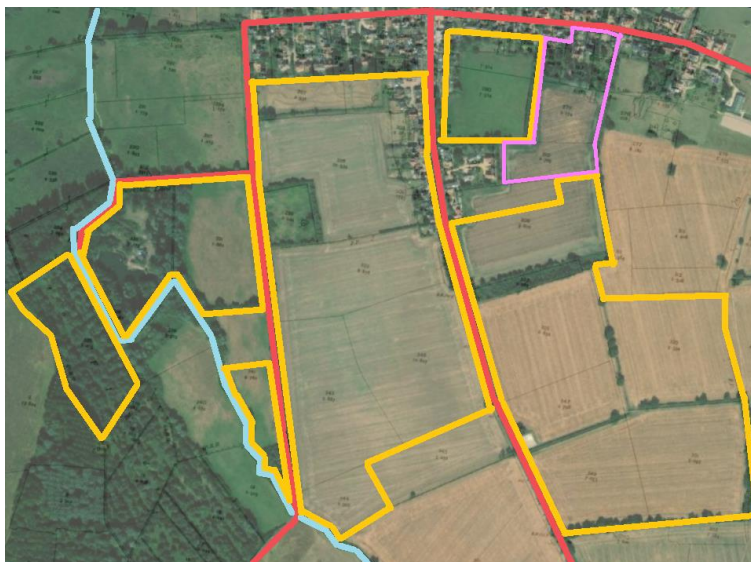


1) Land west of the Black Bourne bridge.



2) 'Mill Farm, The Street' and associated fields.

The map below shows the land associated with Street Farm outlined in yellow and those of Mill Farm are in pink. They have been overlaid on an aerial view of Norton south of Heath Road and The Street (roads shown in red). The Dog cross road is centre top.



Mill Farm was farmed by Jonathan Balls who was related to the Spenceleys. It later became part of the land farmed by Robert Downing and up till 2010, his son-in-law Ted Mitton.



1 & 2) Mill Farm House.

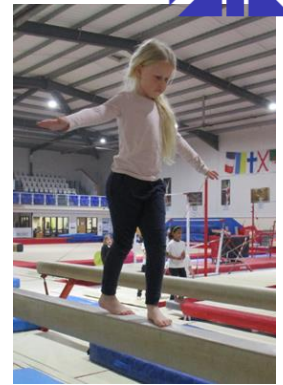
3 & 4) One of Mill Farm's barns which stood to the left of photo 2. This was demolished in 2010 to make way for Post Mill and Dairy Cottages.



Has anyone got any old photos Norton views or of 'lost' houses or barns? If so please contact David or Andy Burt. Email: bg55599@hotmail.com



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I am writing this article with only two weeks to go before we break up for Easter. Spring 2 so far has been busy as the children have been enjoying their learning and experiencing a range of enrichment activities.

Years 1 and 2 started Spring 2 with a trip to Piper's Vale Gymnastics Centre. The children were very courageous, and all tried new things! The concentration on their faces as they walked the beam and the delight as they jumped into a huge foam pit was priceless.

World Book Day this year was a little different. On Thursday 2 March the children all came to school with their favourite book. The children had the opportunity to share their book with their peers and to say why it was their favourite. As a school we had a whole class assembly led by Mr Mabbitt our English Lead and just before break the older children had the opportunity to read to the younger members of the school. It was so lovely to see our Christian Value of community being shown in such a lovely way. By the time this article goes to print, we will have celebrated the second part to our World Book Day. On Friday 17 March, author Will Mabbitt (brother of the world-famous Norton School Year 6 teacher) is visiting the school. He will be working in each class throughout the day and doing a special whole school assembly.

On Tuesday 7 March Year 6 visited the incredible Wellcome Trust Genome Campus, a world-leading Genomics facility. The children learnt about DNA sequencing and created coloured bead bracelets which matched the DNA base pairs for different organisms. Then they had a chance to meet and interview a scientist, it was a great trip and a chance to experience a real scientific research centre. Year 6 also had the opportunity to attend the STEM Festival at Thurston with other local Primary Schools.

On Thursday 9 March we were delighted to welcome the Saltmine Theatre Company into school. Pupils were treated to the "Rhyming Bible" performance which incorporated sketches and songs linked to key events in the Bible. It was certainly enjoyed by all and was very inspiring!

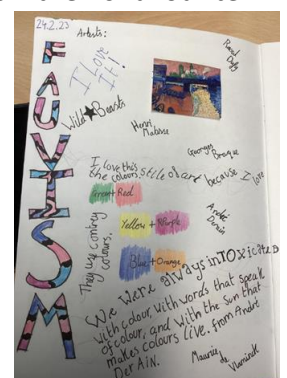
As part of our Romans topic, Year 4 travelled to Colchester Castle to explore ancient Roman times. The children had a wonderful time and were very pleased to share facts and information with staff.

All pupils enjoyed our PE Enrichment for this half term which was yoga. The hall was full of yoga mats and the children practised poses.

In the classrooms, our EYFS children have been busy writing and delivering letters and it is great to see them using positional language to describe where places can be found. Year 1 are looking forward to their trip to Banham Zoo as part of their science work where they will be able to share their knowledge of what they have learnt so far. In Year 2, the children have been learning about the Great Fire of London, with all the children able to say why the fire spread so quickly. In computing, Year 3 have been learning how to keep safe online and the importance of not sharing personal details. In Year 4 the children have had great fun in art and DT creating their own Roman Sandal, whilst in Year 5 the children have been learning about Fauvism.

As we approach Easter, the children are getting ready to celebrate with an Easter Service at St Andrew's Church. The children are learning a range of songs; some new, others traditional and of course the children's favourite 'Spring Chicken'.

Mrs L Sparkes



PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

NORTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6th February 2023

PRESENT:

In the Chair: : Mr. D. Etchells-Butler

Mr. B. Aket, Mrs. S. Hill, Mr. R. Lenko, Mrs. T. Long, Mr. J. Morgan,

Mr. G. Walton, Mrs. J. Rowland (Clerk)

LGA 1972 s12 para 40

County Councillor A. Mellen

District Councillor H. Richardson

Four members of the public.

APOLOGIES: Mr. T. Walker.

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

District Councillor A. Davies

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 1.Mr. Etchells-Butler commented on an email received concerning speeding in The Street/Ashfield Road and the lack of speedwatch surveys. He had replied outlining the current speedwatch programme, stating the Police have to authorize the survey sites. He had outlined the number of surveys, the areas that can be covered and the work of the team, and informed Andrew Stone, speedwatch coordinator, who had also replied to the email. 2.Email concerning use of village hall car park by contractors. Mr. Walton stated he had visited the site and spoken to the Foreman. He had further emailed the construction director and awaiting a reply. The foreman had stated the village hall sign and Mirror would be reinstated when the boarding comes down.	
4.	REPORTS FOR INFORMATION –to receive written reports for information only - Report from County Councillor Andy Mellen Councillor Mellen stated the A14 resurfacing had been delayed for a few weeks. Vertas proposed a bus service during the day after their school runs. This is being investigated. Mr. Aket enquired about budget transformation schemes. Councillor Mellen stated this is terminology used for efficiency initiatives, which could be via unfilled vacancies. Mr. Aket enquired on the number of unfilled vacancies and was informed it stood at 5-15%. - Report from District Councillors Harry Richardson, Austin Davies – noted Councillor Richardson confirmed the refusal of the Hawes Lane development. He confirmed a donation of £2000 from his locality budget for the zip wire. Mr. Aket enquired about self-build and custom build as neither appear to attract a CIL payment. Mr. Walton stated he understood a self-build plot had to be purchased as a separate entity.	
5.	MINUTES	
	5.1 To note and approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 9 th January 2023. Mrs. Long proposed acceptance, Mrs. Hill seconded. Minutes approved for signature.	
6.	MATTERS ARISING	
	6.1 Parish Trees, Hedgerows and Wildflowers Scheme 2022 – no update	
	6.2 Water pump for allotments. Following discussion with Tostock, it would seem that a hand powered water pump with a one-way valve would be the best. This will cost around £1000 + VAT but there is an 8 week wait. Mr. Etchells-Butler proposed acceptance, Mr. Lenko seconded, with all in favour as the Council holds a budget for this project. Mr. Walton stated it would be difficult to get further quotes for the work.	11

	6.3 Coronation arrangements. Mr. Aket commented that the national arrangements have now been published with the Coronation on Saturday, ideas for street parties on Sunday and community activities on Monday. Norton will hold a whole village street party on the playing field. There could be possible viewing of the coronation on a large screen in the hall on Saturday. However, the cost for a large TV screen is around £6000, which Councillors agreed was too expensive. Mr. Walton suggested projecting the service on to the back wall of the village hall, but this would require IT knowledge. This was felt to be a good idea if someone could be found to help set it up. It would need to be by ticket as the hall limits the seating numbers. Two bands are available for a dance on Saturday evening - £975 or £1275. Mr. Walton proposed the cheaper band, Mr. Lenko seconded with all in agreement and to pay the deposit when known. This would need to be a ticketed event, with a later decision about cost. Food could be provided by a street vendor in the car park – burger van or burrito van. It was agreed to invite the burrito van as he had agreed to donate 10% of takings to a charity. The evening bar could be organized by a village charity able to keep the takings. Mr. Aket stated the mugs will cost in the region of £2500.	
	6.4 Update on street light replacements. The Clerk had received correspondence from street lighting that replacement of Units 37 and 38 would commence on 30th January with the remaining units to follow. The Clerk commented that to date only the new lighting column had been put up so she will contact the department again for an update. Mrs. Long commented on having another light in Prospect Road.	
	6.5 UK Power Network. UK Power enquired about a decision from the Council about land. Mr. Walton commented he had been in touch with Richard Spooner as a professional with expertise in this field. He had agreed to act on the Council's behalf to ensure all necessary paperwork is drawn up to protect the Council and suggested a 40-year lease of the land. He would need to be engaged by the Council to have authority to work between the Council and UK Power and his charge is £95 per hour. Mr. Walton felt all costs could be met by UK Power. Councillors approved this action.	Mr Walt on
	6.6 Highways speed limit reduction between Spinney and Norton Following the request for a 40mph limit between the Spinney and Norton, Highways had forwarded the required criteria, none of which applied to this area. Councillor Mellen had requested flexibility in applying the criteria to this area and agreed to discuss further with Highways.	
7.	PLANNING	
	7.1 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/23/00178 Land West Of, Ixworth Road, Norton, for erection of 4No detached dwellings with garages The Parish Council agreed with the comment from Highways regarding the local footway network. This development would be disconnected from the main village requiring residents to walk along the A1088 to join the existing footway. They requested the provision of a suitable footway joining the development to the existing path should be a condition of approval. The provision of effective fire protection for these proposed properties must be a condition of planning approval due to the distance from the nearest fire hydrant.	
	7.2 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION DC/23/00265 Springfield, Halls Lane, Norton - Erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing rear extension and garage) The Council supported this application.	
	7.3 GRANTED - DC/22/04664 Land West of Ixworth Road, Norton. Erection of 1 No. detached self-build dwelling and garage (Plot 2).	
	7.4 GRANTED DC/22/05294 Feld House, The Street, Norton, Erection of a single storey rear extension, partial demolition/reduction of outbuilding and widening of gateway in garden wall.	
	7.5 GRANTED DC/22/06050 Land to North of Honeywood Grove, Ashfield Road, Norton, 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).	12

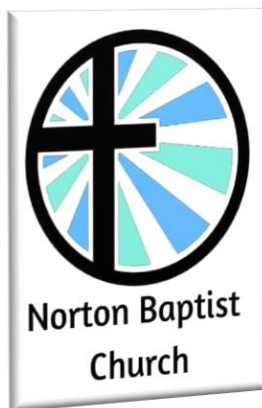
	7.6 APPEAL DISMISSED Land to North of Ashfield Road Norton APP/W3520/W/21/3285040-DC/21/03909 Outline erection of 2 no dwellings.	
8.	ELECTION	
	8.1 The Clerk outlined the time lines for the election and the requirements by those standing. The Clerk reminded of the new arrangement of requiring photo ID to vote.	
9	ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 9.1 After considering various days and dates, the APM was arranged for 3 rd April, with a Council meeting first to cover urgent business.	
10.	FINANCE	
	10.1 The following accounts were approved for payment: Clerk's salary £227.26 cheque 522421 LGA1972 s112 Street Cleaner £254.40 cheque 522422 LGA1972 s112 HMRC £120.20 cheque 522423 LGA1972 s112 TenHats, January & February 2023, £702.00 cheque 522424 LGA1972 s142 Dan Millyard, bark area £480 cheque 522425 Local Government (Misc. Provision) Act 1976 s19 Compass mole treatment £375.00 cheque 522426 Public Health Act 1875 s164 Legend Services £106.34 cheque 522427 Local Government (Misc. Provision) Act 1976 s19 SARS £170.00 cheque 522428 LGA1972 s137	
	10.2 Quotes for hedge, ditch clearance and piping of ditch. Three quotes had been received. It was agreed to accept T. Edwards who will also trim the hedge near the recycle bins.	Mr Walton
	10.3 Confirmation of precept, band D amount and percentage increase. Mid Suffolk confirmed receipt of precept request stating the Council Tax for a Band D would be £62.65, giving an increase of 15.52% on 2022/2023	
	10.4 To receive request for support from SARS. The Council agreed a donation of £170.	
	10.5 To receive budget statement. The Clerk commented she had moved £20,000 from CIL general to the Village Hall loan/improvement fund, and £3000 to the Coronation budget. This leaves £17,143 in the unallocated CIL fund, some of which may be required for the additional street light improvements. Mr. Aket requested the Coronation budget is increased to £5000 to account for the evening function. Noted and approved.	
	10.6 Bollards along Ashfield Road and near SID. Mr. Lenko stated the verges are being cut away, so it is important to protect the SID along Ashfield Road. He further commented that the verge at the sharp bend at Norton Little Green is being cut away, so protection is required for the houses nearby. He agreed to investigate suitable bollards for these areas.	Mr. Lenko Agenda
	10.7 Jubilee Village Hall funding. Mr. Walton stated the VPMC had submitted a funding request for the main roof repair and passed the first two stages. However, this funding is provisional on match funding. He stated the roof will cost around £92,000. He stated the Village Hall has a budget of £30,000 which could be put towards the roof repair. He requested a commitment from the Parish Council to fund £40,000 towards this project if the Public Works Loan application fails. He stated the CIL approved funding could not be applied to this part of the project because it is not new work but classed as repair. A new roof would allow solar panels to be erected. Mr. Lenko proposed that the Council should show support and agree the requested funding, Mrs. Hill seconded. Upon review of the budget and various virements all Councillors agreed to the request.	
	10.8 To confirm SALC as internal auditor for 2022-2023. Confirmed.	
	10.9 Update on Bus shelter. Mr. Etchells-Butler stated he had a reference number for his application (387834), but as a new person had taken over he was still awaiting a reply.	
	10.10 The Clerk stated a new salt bin would be £120.61 + VAT. Before committing to approval, a suitable site would need investigating.	
	10.11 The Clerk confirmed Vertas grass cutting for the coming year will be £1106.76+VAT	13

11.	SPEEDWATCH	
	11.1 Update on Speedwatch. Mrs. Hill stated the Police had recently spent time with the group, and commented how well the group were supporting speed reduction.	
12	VILLAGE HALL	
	12.1 Update on Borrowing approval application. Confirmation of approval is still awaited.	
	12. 2 Update from Village Hall on project progress. The VHMC is looking at ways the project can be split to identify urgent work. Mr. Walton confirmed the current VHMC Chair will be resigning at the end of March, and he is unsure of a replacement at this time. Mr. Lenko suggested a joint meeting between VH and PC to discuss the way forward.	Clerk Agenda
13.	PLAY AREAS	
	13.1 Play area adjacent to Village Hall. Mr. Lenko stated the bark area had been sorted by Mr. Millyard and should not require a tidy up for a few months. He had sought other quotes for a zip wire and presented three to the Council. The cheapest is Action Leisure £11800 and he has a locality grant of £2000 towards it. On a vote it was 5 to 2 to accept this quote and progress with the work. Mr. Lenko commented the red gates will cost £2000 each as they need to be made to measure. The Council confirmed this work should go ahead.	
	13.2 Play area in Prospect Road. Mrs. Long confirmed the paint had been received and the swings will be painted during better weather. Mr. Walton presented a quote for various signs, which included a new sign for the recycling area and a new sign for Prospect play area. He agreed to confirm which signs are required for the Clerk to order.	Clerk
14.	CORRESPONDENCE	
	14.1 MSDC Street Name and Numbering Policy 2023 review of policy- noted	
	14.2 Parish Biodiversity Action Plans & Ecological Assessments - noted	
	14.3 Citizens Advice Bureau, Zoom meeting on 24th February - noted	
	14.4 Update to West Suffolk Local Plan timeline - noted	
	14.5 Suffolk Wildlife magazine. Taken by Mrs. Long	
15.	Questions and Comments from Members and suggestions for next meeting.	
	15.1 Mr. Aket enquired about the Norton sign before Norton Little Green. Mr. Lenko said this would be put up shortly.	
	15.2 Mr. Morgan asked about the location of a property that had left an amount of rubbish at the Recycling Centre. He will call and speak with the homeowner.	
	15.3 Mr. Lenko asked the Council to present flowers to the Messenger editor. Agreed.	
16.	To confirm the date of future meeting: 6 th March 2023, 7.30pm	
17.	There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.15	

CAN YOU HELP?

Are you able to help this lady in our village get into Bury during the school holidays and on Saturdays when the bus doesn't run? She has epilepsy so is unable to drive and uses the bus to get to work. She would be very grateful for anyone who is able to help. Her contact details are below:

ASHLEY RUFFLES
07730581688 Ashley.Ruffles@gmail.com



Norton Baptist Church

April 2023

Check the information below
for our services throughout
April and beyond



Spring is springing, the days are getting longer, the clocks have changed and we are all now looking towards warmer days. April is most definitely here.

At Norton Baptist Church things are also moving along and we have lots of things planned for this month.

Easter weekend will see a lot of activity at the Baptist church, we are joining with our friends at the Salvation Army on **Good Friday** at 10:30am and then we have our own service on **Easter Sunday**. Doors open at 10am for refreshments and the service will start at 10:30am. This will be an **All Age** service and it would be great to see as many of you as possible to celebrate one of the most important days in the church calendar.

Easter Saturday is also going to be busy. We are delighted to be hosting the Norton School Choir in the morning. Come and hear the children sing and enjoy refreshments – all for free.

Easter Saturday afternoon we are hoping to host an “Easter Party” for the families of the village, and beyond. Check out our Facebook page for more details nearer the time.

Our Praise and Worship services and Café Church will take place as normal this month and we will celebrate communion on the third Sunday.

As usual, we will not be having a service on the 5th Sunday, the 30th.

We hope you have a great month and please do let us know if there is anything you want to talk about or if you would like us to pray for you or with you.

	2nd	9th	16th	23rd	30th
Praise and Worship	10am				
Easter Sunday		10am			
Praise and Worship			10am		
Café Church				10am	





Norton and District Twinning Association



Thanks to everyone who came along to the Quiz in March and for the generous donations of £250 to Suffolk Accident Rescue Service.

Our next Quiz will on **Friday 10th November** – see you there!

Dates for your diaries...

Thursday 18th May

The French arrive in Norton for a long weekend. Everyone in the village is invited to attend a Welcome Reception from 5:00 to 7:00pm in the Village Hall. Music from Stanton Folk. Light refreshments.

Our thanks to the Parish Council for their support towards this event. We look forward to seeing you.

Sunday 11th June

Family Treasure Hunt around the village. Entry £5 per family/group. Collect your map from the Village Hall at 2pm, follow the trail, solve the clues and join us back at the hall for refreshments. All welcome.

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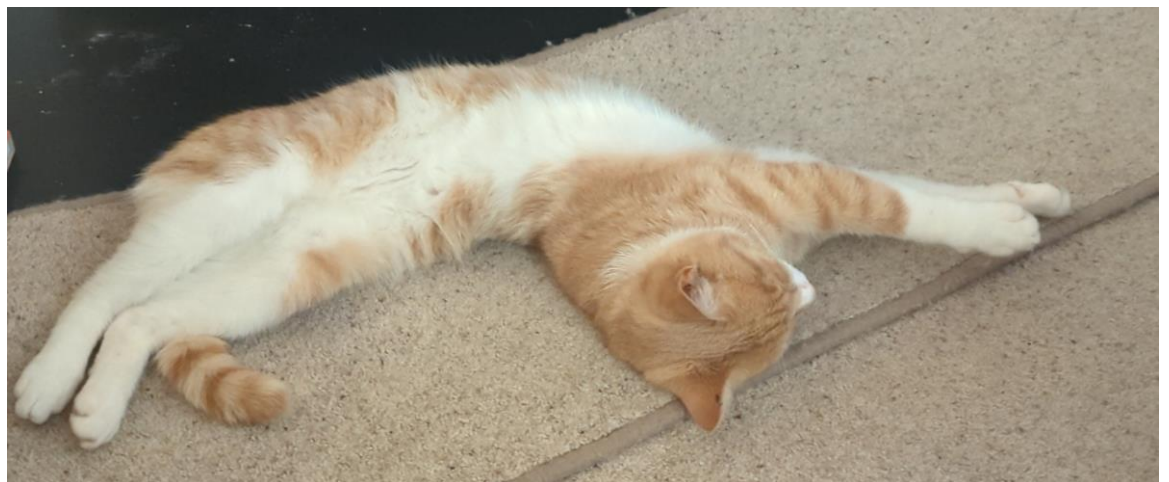


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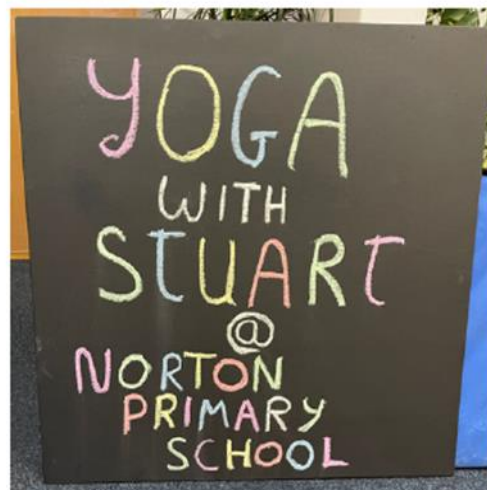
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