

Cley Parish Council's Chairman's Report November 2022

Thank you very much indeed to Andy Gonzalez for fixing the Village Hall PA system so everyone can hear what the Parish Council is discussing!

The Parish Council is waiting with bated breath to hear whether we have been awarded a Community Hot Spaces grant. This would allow us to open a warm space in the Club Room at the Village Hall for three days a week from 10-3 starting beginning of December.

We will be leafleting the village to ascertain the need for a hardship fund in Cley. A resident suggested those who could afford pooled their energy rebates to create a pot of money for those finding the cost of living difficult to manage. This is a great idea, so please respond to the leaflet (you will be able to do so anonymously).

There has been huge consternation at the prospect of the newly created Knotting Hill Farmhouse (the site of the old nursery) becoming a wedding or event venue for 250 as is widely advertised. The Licensing Department say they haven't received any applications for premises license nor temporary event notices, but this is contrary to what is being promoted. We will be writing in the strongest possible terms to both the owner and to NNDC to express the village's objection, and take any further action we can to prevent this happening.

The Ramblers have asked if the community would contribute to the costs of defending the Hangs footpath. Several of you have generously agreed already. Please get in touch with the clerk if you would like so to do.

We still seem to have quite a few bins out on the street or curtilages where or when they shouldn't be. This is unsightly and dangerous. We will be dropping in a letter to each house from NNDC to explain the timing and placement of putting out your bin, namely on your curtilage the night before or morning of collection. For holiday lets which are business rated, paying for commercial waste collections, these are eligible for a 'pull and return' service which should help owners. Please check you are receiving this as it should reduce the number of bins being left outside permanently.

Still on the subject of bins, I sincerely hope by the time you read this any 'teething problems' with the changeover to Fridays have been resolved. At the time of writing, bins are still being collected late. If you're still having issues with missed bins, wrong day collections etc., please get in touch with me, not Serco customer service.

We have 10 volunteers for our Toad Patrols but if anyone else would like to sign up to work on the Coast Road or Glandford Road/Bridgefoot Lane, please do get in touch with the clerk. We'll be starting next spring.

Hopefully by the time you read this we'll have had a meeting with Punch Taverns, the owners of The Three Swallows, to discuss parking and their future plans.

There are elections for both Parish and District Councillors next May. Re the Parish Council, if you want to discuss the role further, want to know more about the process of election, or are interested

in standing as a parish councillor, please get in touch with the clerk on clerk.cley@gmail.com. If you're interested in standing as a District Councillor, please get in touch with Emma Denny at NNDC (emma.denny@north-norfolk.gov.uk)

The next meeting is Thursday December 8th in the Village Hall at 6.30pm. The agenda will be published on the Notice Board, on the website (www.clevpc.info) and we'll mail it out to those on the Parish email list (if you want to be included in this please email the clerk) and the village WhatsApp. Please comment on or ask general questions about Agenda items before the meeting by getting in touch with the clerk or myself, or come along and participate. Minutes are posted as usual on the noticeboard and website.

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