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The Parish Council meets at 6:30pm in the Community Centre, on the third Tuesday of each month, except August & December. Please check the Village Hall notice board for any date changes.

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The deadline for articles for the August - September Village Voice will be 20th July.

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From the Editor & Parish Clerk

Welcome to another bumper edition! It's really great to hear that there is so much going on in the village - something for everybody! Get busy with your spade, kick back with a glass of wine for film week, or get your brain working with a board game or a quiz - to name a few (details throughout the magazine).

It's also great to have more new advertisers joining us, with the 2025/26 advertising income set to cover the cost of printing the magazine. Plus it's a handy guide when you need a trades person too.

It was a busy month for the Parish Council, with the AGM as well as end of year and our annual internal audit. And our chief distributor has enjoyed some time away, so the two combined means that we are getting your magazine to you a little later than usual - apologies. But let's just take this moment to thank Enid and her team for getting the magazines out to all residents in the village - Thank You!

Thanks also to the volunteering group, and to Martin for heading this up and driving forwards with keeping the village looking nice. Some of the 'bigger' tidy-up projects I've mentioned before are still the other side of another hoop to jump through - each time we clear one, another appears, but hoping to finally have a concrete 'yes' soon, so that we can proceed with cutting back bushes and pavement edges. City Fibre have patched up some of the areas that they left in a bad way, but we have a couple of others to chase them down on too.

For those of you concerned with speeding traffic, we reached out to the Community Policing Team who carried out some spot checks which has highlighted that there is an issue with speeding through the village and they are planning to be in attendance more regularly - so watch your own speed and don't get caught! To help with this, we've been upgrading the VAS's (Vehicle Activated Signs) in the village, with solar panels added to two units to stop them being reliant upon battery changes, plus the installation of a new solar unit, and the repositioning of another. In it's first week, the new solar unit at Larks Gate recorded a highest incoming speed of 64mph over Sheepwash Bridge, and the exact same highest speed heading out of the village also. Hopefully the signs will be a deterrent, combined with (hopefully) a more visible police presence.

I'll leave you there so I don't have to add another page, but as always, I hope you enjoy this issue!

Any feedback, ideas or suggestions are greatly received via the Editors email **villagevoice@fornhamallsaintsparish.gov.uk**

And any issues or problems in or around the village, contact me via the Clerks email **clerk@fornhamallsaintsparish.gov.uk**

Justin Hook

Justin Hook, Village Voice Editor & Parish Clerk



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NEXT RURAL COFFEE CARAVAN VISITS
Wednesday 2nd July, 10am - 12pm
Village Hall

future dates:

6th August	Thingoe Lodge
3rd September	Village Hall
1st October	Thingoe Lodge
November	No Date Set
3rd December	Thingoe Lodge

Everyone welcome for a coffee, cake and chat

www.ruralcoffeecaravan.org.uk

Radio Teleswitch Service (RTS) Switch Off

The Radio Teleswitch Service (RTS) will be switched off permanently on Monday 30th June 2025. This will impact households across the country that rely on RTS meters to manage their electricity usage.

RTS uses radio signals to instruct certain electricity meters when to switch between peak and off-peak rates, enabling residents to take advantage of cheaper off-peak electricity, typically used to charge heating and hot water systems overnight.

If residents do not upgrade to a smart meter, their heating and hot water may not work properly or may be on constantly. It can also lead to an increased bills due to the inability to switch between peak and off-peak rates.

If your energy supplier contacts you, take action to book your installation.

THE RADIO SIGNAL THAT CONTROLS RTS ELECTRICITY METERS IS BEING SWITCHED OFF



If you have an RTS electricity meter it will need to be replaced.

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WHAT IS THE RTS (RADIO TELESWITCH SERVICE)?

RTS uses a radio signal to tell some older meters when to switch between peak and off-peak rates.

It's due to be **switched off** from June because the service has reached the end of its operational life



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YOU MIGHT HAVE AN RTS ELECTRICITY METER IF:



- you have **electric heating or storage heaters**
- there's a **switch box** with a radio teleswitch label near your meter
- there's no gas supply to the area you have tariffs like **Economy 7** or **Economy 10**

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The switch off will affect energy consumers that have an RTS meter in their home or business.



It may mean that your heating and hot water supply stops working as normal.

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Suffolk Sight Equipment and Information Day

Wednesday 11 June 2025,
10am–2pm



The Edmund Room
(above Pilgrims' Kitchen)
St Edmundsbury Cathedral
Angel Hill, Bury St Edmunds,
IP33 1LS

Come along and try out the latest equipment and technology specifically designed for people with visual impairment.

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Suffolk Sight

**For more information please call 01473 611011
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Fornham All Saints Parish Council

April Meeting

Approved Minutes from Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 15th April, 2025, 18:30, Fornham All Saints Community Centre

These draft minutes were approved at the Parish Council Meeting on 20th May, 2025.

Present:

Cllr Richard Nicholls (RN) (Chair), Cllr Derek Brown (DB) (Vice Chair), Cllr David Surman (DS), County Cllr Rebecca Hopfensperger (RH) and Borough Cllr Sarah Broughton (SB). Clerk Justin Hook (JH), 1 representative from All Saints Resort (AS) and 6 members of the public.

Agenda Items

1. Council to elect Vice Chair

Cllr Brown was nominated for the role of Vice Chair. No other nominations received.

Council resolved to elect Cllr Brown as Vice Chair.

2. Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office and issue of Register of Interests

The Vice Chair and the Clerk signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3. Chairman's welcome, opening remarks and to receive apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed everybody to the meeting. Apologies received from Cllr Stewart and Cllr Lynch.

4. (i) To receive members Declarations of Interests - **none received.**

5. (ii) Council to consider any new written requests for dispensation and/or requests which have been received - **none received.**

6. To approve & adopt the minutes from the Council meeting held on 18th March 2025

The Clerk advised one minor change to the venue of the last meeting.

Council resolved to approve and adopt the minutes, the Chair signed them.

7. To receive County Councillor's report from Cllr. Rebecca Hopfensperger

Interim cases have been put forward to Local Government Reorganisation (LGR - part of the devolution process). Borough councils prefer a 3 unitary council options: east, west and greater Ipswich, but the boundaries are wide and not yet finalised. SCC put forward one unitary council for the whole of Suffolk to make the most of cost savings and the streamlining of resources and services.

In terms of social care provision, multiple councils will likely result in a 'postcode lottery' for care services and fewer cost savings.

Full business cases to be submitted in September with expected decision from government in December.

Parish councils will be given opportunities to respond via consultation and RH will keep the Clerk informed.

Marham Park updates: Allotments area and sports pitch still awaiting transfer. Failed trees - a decision is being made whether to have them replaced before transfer or if the parks team will take on post transfer, for a fee. Some surfaces have failed - developer to complete remedials to highways and drainage before transfer. Parking at David Lloyd - a traffic regulation is being looked at to allow enforcement of cars parked along the road outside.

FAS double mini roundabouts - Andy Moore (SCC) did review and all appears safe. Andy to make contact with Clerk direct for site visit.

Safety nets on golf course - FSMSG PC requested a H&S risk assessment, which planning are awaiting further information on, hence delays, but it will go to delegation panel.

Road signs (speed roundels) - expected end April.

Chair asked who has the final say on devolution - RH advised government make the decision based on the submitted business plans.

8. To receive Borough Councillor's reports from Cllr. Sarah Broughton and Cllr Rebecca Hopfensperger

SB confirmed nothing further to add.

9. Public open session up to 15 minutes - questions and issues on matters arising from the agenda and from the village

Residents from along the back of Chestnut Close advised they

had met regarding the Moseleys Farm planning application. They agreed in principle, and thought that the cemetery provision was good. They had concerns over potential light pollution from external lighting on the new buildings, suggesting directional or down lighting preferential. They also asked for consideration again, to the proposed path linking FAS to Hengrave. RH suggested talking to David Hudson from Flemspton cum Hengrave PC for more detail on the path.

Peter Elms from the Cemetery Trust was available to answer any questions and confirmed the cemetery was available to all those in the historic parish boundary as of 1899, which included as far down as the Mildenhall Road estate.

The Clerk asked about old documents that stated the PC were responsible for appointing trustees of the Cemetery Trust. This was overturned by a new charity document in 1999.

Phil McGahan presented to council about the East Anglian Air Ambulance. They cover Suffolk, Norfolk, Cambs and Beds by day plus Essex, Herts and Greater London by night. Most places in the region are accessible in just 25 minutes, and the team offer clinical interventions and even minor surgeries. There were 2,900 taskings in 2024 and over 41,000 since launch in 2000. Each mission costs in the region of £4,250, plus equipment costs and running costs are in the region of £19 million a year, which is all charity funded, with no funding from the government. They currently run two air ambulance helicopters and 2 critical care cars.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS BROUGHT FORWARD

19. Community event

Council to discuss request from the village hall asking for permission to host a VE 80 Day celebration on The Green, Monday 5th May.

The event team had provided better detail of the event, including part of an insurance document.

Council advised that they still thought that the community centre would be a better venue and showed concerns over the planned safety fencing. Organisers have requested cones from Highways for the event. Council asked them to notify the Police also.

The Clerk asked for the organisers to forward a copy of their full insurance policy document and requested organisers to speak to their insurers, requesting email confirmation that they would be happy to insure this specific event on The Green. This

confirmation email is to be forwarded to the Clerk.

Based on the above, Council resolved to allow the event to take place on The Green.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS BROUGHT FORWARD

20. Donations to community groups - S137 monies

Village hall representative Paul, confirmed further detail had been supplied as requested. Council asked about frequency of hire - there were circa 250 hires in 2024.

The hall is not listed, but was originally a reading room for the Hengrave Estate. Council commended Paul for his hard work and dedication on the upkeep of the building, but showed concern for what will be next and how much more money would be required to keep an old building going. Paul confirmed little major work is left to complete after much of the major jobs being taken care of.

Council resolved to come back to this later in the meeting.

10. To receive reports from Councillors:

a. Traffic / Roads / VASs / Road Signs - Don Lynch

Council showed concern that this might be too complicated to complete and asked the Clerk to get prices to have installed professionally.

ACTION: Clerk to investigate what is required and obtain quotes.

b. Volunteering - Scheduled to start again 17th April - Derek Brown

Volunteering lead Martin, advised that a date had been sent to the volunteer group who were going to concentrate on the bus stop planting (with a plan for more perennial planting) and tidying pavements around the village green area. Martin thanked those in the village who were taking responsibility for their own frontages. The Clerk is compiling a list of jobs to be considered for suitability by the volunteer group.

c. Facilities / Assets Management / Community Centre / EV - Derek Brown

Nothing to report.

d. Local Businesses & Residents / Lark Valley - Richard Nicholls

Lark Valley Path improvements completed.

e. Marham Park / Highways / Village Hall / Anglian Water

(Lark) - Mat Stewart

Nothing to report.

- f. Allotments / Emergency Plan - David Surman

Nothing to report. DS signed up to complete First Responder training.

- g. Village Voice - Clerk

Some advertising payments outstanding, but at year end, the increased advertising income has more than covered the printing costs.

Some complaints received that the magazine is going out later than planned events, also that content is too PC heavy. No comments received directly by the editor. Clerk to include something in next issue.

11. To receive Clerks report

- a. Anglian Water leak

Now fixed.

- b. B1106 hedges

Initial works completed by the resident, which has improved things greatly. SCC confirmed further work scheduled for September, due to nesting birds.

- c. Double mini roundabouts - crossing safety

RH advised SCC has attended and believe it to be safe. SCC contact to reach out to Clerk for site visit.

- d. City Fibre - damages to village

Clerk has met with City Fibre team and highlighted worst areas. Damages noted and plans made to make good with topsoil and seed. Damaged Open Reach cover reported to Open Reach for repair.

- e. VAS locations & new pole

Clerk spoke to Highways who were unable to identify official VAS sites. RH sending Clerk direct contact to speak to.

- f. Churchyard grass cutting

RG Landscapes instructed and cutting schedule advised.

- g. First Responders

Clerk has been speaking with First Responders team to identify if there are any in the village and how to go about training / advertising this resource.

- h. Speed roundels

RH advised end of April.

- i. Funding for community centre project
RH provided WSC funding contact, which the Clerk has forwarded to both the village hall and community centre.
- j. Marham Park trees and S106 monies
RH still chasing.

12. Planning:

Council to discuss the following applications;

- i. **DC/24/0538/FUL **AMENDED****

All Saints Hotel The Street Fornham St Genevieve Suffolk IP28 6JQ

Description amended to replace proposed pickleball courts with an additional

tennis court (resulting in three tennis courts in total).

Amended plans to illustrate change received 11 March 2025 and updated noise report submitted 24 March 2025.

Council resolved a vote of 'no comment' on this application.

- ii. **DC/25/0136/HH**

10 Pigeon Lane Fornham All Saints Suffolk IP28 6JP

Householder planning application - a. single storey rear extension b. detached garage (following demolition of existing garage)

Council resolved to approve this application.

- iii. **DC/25/0438/HYB**

Moseleys Farm The Green Fornham All Saints Suffolk IP28 6JY

Hybrid planning application - a. full application - two commercial units and extension to cemetery b. outline application (means of access to be considered) - residential development

Council resolved to approve this application, noting residents concerns over light pollution and the ongoing consideration of a path linking FAS to Hengrave.

- iv. **DC/25/0601/TCA**

9 Chestnut Close Fornham All Saints Suffolk IP28 6LH

Trees in a conservation area notification - one Fir (T1 on plan) fell; three Silver Birch (T2, T3, T4 on plan), one Sycamore (T5 on plan), one Acacia (T6 on plan) lower crown

by 50 percent

Council resolved a vote of ‘no comment’ on this application.

13. Finance update

- i. **Council resolved to approve payment of the following accounts and outstanding invoices:**

Payee & details	Total
J Hook, Clerks salary, March	£715.74
Nest, Clerks pension, March	£11.66
Community Workshop - Village Voice printing	£315.01
SALC - subscription 2025/26	£326.27
SALC - payroll services, to 31st March	£57.60
Suffolk Cloud - website & hosting 2025/26	£120.00
Total Payments	£1,546.28

- ii. **Council noted bank balances correct to 31st March.**

Current	£267.98
Savings	£37,701.40
Total Bank Balance	£37,969.38

- iii. **Council resolved to approve bank reconciliation for March 2025.**

- iv. End of year finance update

The Clerk presented the end of year finances, noting where there were any major differences between budget and actual income or expenditure. In summary, finances are healthy with a total income of £33,842.68 and a total expenditure of £24,002.36. The Village Voice advertising was more than covering the printing costs and that there was still an outstanding £4.5k payment to be made for yet to be completed pavement works.

Council resolved to approve the end of year figures, the Chair and Clerk signed them.

Council resolved to place £1000.00 in a new reserve for future play park upgrades.

- v. Council to review Direct Debits and Standing Orders and confirm if still valid.

This item was moved to the May agenda.

14. Skate & play park inspections

Council noted from report that remedial work required, but all low to very low risk.

DB advised that the remedial works completed so far were quite in-depth and time consuming.

Council resolved to pay an approved contractor to complete future works.

Action: DB to investigate and obtain quotes.

15. Overgrown pavements

Clerk has submitted necessary forms to Community Self Help team at SCC who have since asked for sight of the contractors' qualifications in order to work on the highways. Clerk has obtained and submitted this information and awaiting a decision. Contractor is aware.

16. Devolution Consultation

The consultation period for establishing a Suffolk & Norfolk mayor is now closed.

RH updated Council under agenda item 7 regarding the implications of Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) and how they will be able to respond.

17. Local Plan Consultation

The consultation is now closed.

18. Speeding in the village

Council discussed the issue of speeding in the village, and reviewed potential involvement from the Police, Highways, Suffolk Roadsafes etc.

Action: Clerk to investigate what actions can be taken / help is available and then the chair to write a letter / email.

THIS FOLLOWING ITEM WAS COVERED EARLIER IN THE MEETING.

19. Community event

20. Donations to community groups - S137 monies

Council to discuss requests for donation from WI towards them acquiring speakers, and from the village hall towards flooring repairs and external insulation to the toilet area.

Council to discuss donations to East Anglian Air Ambulance and Suffolk Accident Rescue Service (SARS) charities.

The Clerk read a brief report from SARS on their work as their representative was unable to attend. The Clerk also advised

that of last years budget of £2000 for donations, only £250 was gifted, to the WI.

Council resolved to offer grants of £250.00 each to the WI, the East Anglian Air Ambulance and SARS.

Council showed concern over the continued running and maintenance costs of the village hall. The insulation was non-essential and could be funded by other 'green' grants (examples of which the Clerk would send to Paul). However repairing the floor was deemed to be essential.

Council resolved to offer a grant of £2000.00 to the village hall to cover the cost of the floor repairs.

21. Correspondence

- i. Resident email re: City Fibre damages in the village
Item covered under earlier under item 11d.
- ii. Resident correspondence regarding damage to the bin by the Pound Meadow bus stop
The Clerk had taken pictures and completed an incident for with WSC.
- iii. Advertiser correspondence to withdraw advert and request for refund, or for space to be gifted to another organisation
Council resolved to partially refund the advertiser £60.00.

22. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and will be held on May 20th commencing 18:30 at the Community Centre.

Meeting closed 21:03

For all enquires or questions for the Parish Council,
please in the first instance email the Parish Clerk

clerk@fornhamallsaintsparish.gov.uk

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NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME
Garden Open For Charity



5 Parklands Green

Fornham St Genevieve, Bury St
Edmunds, IP28 6UH

Sunday 15 June
11am - 4pm

Adults £5 Children free

Plant Stall

Tea, coffee & cake



DOGS WELCOME



PLANTS FOR SALE



TEAS



Registered charity No. 1112841

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in East Anglia



The Classic Car Show at Culford

Sunday 13th July 2025
10am-3.30pm



- This is our eleventh and biggest ever Classic Car Show
- 500+ Classic Cars
- Stalls
- Stunning surroundings.
- Reduced Price Tickets available in advance from our website link below or scan the QR code.

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All proceeds from this event will be donated to Charity – our lead charity again this year is East Anglia's Children's Hospices

Fornham All Saints Parish Council

May Meeting & AGM

Draft Minutes from Parish Council and AGM

**Tuesday 20th April, 2025, 18:30, Fornham All Saints
Community Centre**

These draft minutes will be approved at the Parish Council Meeting on 17th June, 2025.

Present:

Cllr Richard Nicholls (RN) (Chair), Cllr Derek Brown (DB) (Vice Chair), Cllr Don Lynch (DL), County Cllr Rebecca Hopfensperger (RH).

Clerk Justin Hook (JH), 1 representative from All Saints Resort (ASR) and 2 members of the public.

Agenda Items

1. Council to elect Chair

Cllr Nicholls was nominated for the role of Chair. No other nominations received.

Council resolved to elect Cllr Nicholls as Chair.

2. Council to elect Vice Chair

Cllr Brown was nominated for the role of Vice Chair. No other nominations received.

Council resolved to elect Cllr Brown as Vice Chair.

3. Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office and issue of Register of Interests

All Cllrs completed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office, the Clerk signed them.

4. Council to appoint Responsible Financial Officer

Council resolved to appoint the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer.

5. Chair's welcome, opening remarks and to receive apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed those in attendance. Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Stewart and Cllr Surman. Borough Cllr Sarah Broughton advised she would likely be attending later.

6. (i) To receive members Declarations of Interests - none received.

7. (ii) Council to consider any new written requests for dispensation and/or requests which have been received - none received.
8. To approve & adopt the minutes from the Council meeting held on 15th April 2025

Council resolved to approve and adopt the minutes, the Chair signed them.

9. To receive County Councillor's report from Cllr. Rebecca Hopfensperger

RH talked about the Parish forums which have been discussing Local Government Reorganisation & Devolution. Parish Councils are the grass roots of local government, and Devolution will potentially give more powers to PC's via a suite of powers under general competency for example; monies for volunteering, small works on the highways, gulley cleans etc.

Action: RH to send other dates for Parish Forums to Clerk.

The path for Devolution is likely to be; 2026 - Mayoral elections for Norfolk / Suffolk Mayor. 2027 - unitary council elected. 2028 - unitary council implemented (with a shadow council in place in the interim).

Speed roundels - expect soon - Andy at SCC working on.

S106 monies Marham Park - ongoing.

Highways reporting - send RH any report numbers on any issues that need escalating.

Damaged bin - WSC siding with operative - suggest following official complaints procedure. Involve resident witness.

RH/SB working with village hall to fund some of their other projects.

Locality and Highways budgets - reminder that funding is available for projects such as hedge trimming / pavement cleaning / village gates / VAS / skirting back etc.

The Local Plan has been approved and consulted and is to be implemented by the end of the week.

10. To receive Borough Councillor's reports from Cllr. Sarah Broughton and Cllr Rebecca Hopfensperger

Nothing further to report.

11. Public open session up to 15 minutes - questions and issues on matters arising from the agenda and from the village

Resident thanked WSC for their prompt response to street cleaning request.

Ross Britcher attended from the Bury Water Meadows Group to introduce himself and the work that the group do throughout Bury, tidying and improving the river, and litter picking the area. The core purposes of the group are to improve biodiversity, restore the River Lark and the River Linnet and litter picking. Ross and his partner live in the village and regularly litter pick around Fornham. He was introduced to the volunteering group leader.

The following item was brought forward

19. Donations to community groups - S137 monies

Council resolved to donate £250 to the Bury Water Meadows Group, towards the purchase of new litter picking equipment and a trolley.

RH advised that she could cover this from her locality budget. The Clerk suggested that Council cover this under their S137 grant powers, and to use locality budget for other projects.

12. To receive reports from Councillors:

a. Traffic / Roads / VASs / Road Signs - Don Lynch

A plan was in place to meet at 10am the next day to begin to convert the existing VAS units to solar.

b. Volunteering - Derek Brown

Martin Loveridge the volunteer group lead reported 3 new members in the last week. Two sessions had taken place, clearing flower beds and paths alongside the village green and church. A third session staking up the fence along the River Lark Path (12 stakes in, a further 10 to go).

RH congratulated the volunteering group on their work and noted that she uses Fornham as a great example to her other parishes.

c. Facilities / Assets Management / Community Centre / EV - Derek Brown

Nothing much to report.

There is a plan to review the assets and the maintenance of them.

Community Centre had an enquiry to hire the field for a corporate event, but declined as it was unsure how they stood legally. Hannah Cuthbertson from ASR advised that corporate events become much trickier, with regards to licensing and temporary events notices etc. The Clerk advised more work is required to understand ownerships/

responsibilities etc. over playing field use/hires.

DB asked ASR for contacts for their EV charging which will be going live imminently. RH advised funding is available for EV points.

- d. Local Businesses & Residents / Lark Valley - Richard Nicholls

Nothing much to report.

Council previously discussed paying for extra cuts and wider cuts along the River Lark Path. Budget was approved, but no formal resolution was made.

Council resolved to pay for one extra cut in 2025 and for each cut to be wider than standard.

Concern was raised for safety crossing the B1106 on the Lark Valley Path. The ASR side is clear and open, but the Larks Gate side of the road is overgrown with poor visibility.

Action: Clerk to investigate having trimmed / cleared.

- e. Marham Park / Highways / Village Hall / Anglian Water (Lark) - Mat Stewart

Nothing to report.

- f. Allotments / Emergency Plan - David Surman

Nothing to Report.

- g. Village Voice - Clerk

Nothing to report.

13. To receive Clerks report

- a. Double mini roundabouts - crossing safety

Clerk to liaise directly with SCC contact.

- b. City Fibre - damages to village

The Green and Pound Meadow appear to have been top-soiled and seeded, but not Chestnut Close.

- c. VAS locations & new pole

The Clerk contacted SCC who advised that the VAS on the Green is the site that their records show as it is possibly the most recent. Advice was given on site locations/specification etc. A plan is already in place to begin to fit the new VAS equipment.

- d. First Responders - ongoing.

- e. Speed roundels - ongoing.

- f. Marham Park trees and S106 monies - ongoing.

14. Planning:

No new planning applications to discuss.

Council to note, rider training facility on Tut Hill has been rejected.

Council agreed to monitor if the rider training facility continues to be used and revisit at the June meeting if required.

15. Finance update

- i. **Council noted the revised total figure and resolved to approve payment of the following accounts and outstanding invoices:**

Payee & details	Total
J Hook, Clerks salary, March	£715.74
Nest, Clerks pension, March	£11.66
D Brown, Cllr expenses, play park repairs	£12.98
Village Hall, S137 donation towards floor repairs	£2,000.00
WI, S137 donation	£250.00
East Anglian Air Ambulance, S137 donation	£250.00
Suffolk Accident Rescue Service (SARS), S137 donation	£250.00
Pimp My Fish, VV advertising refund	£60.00
Total Payments	£3550.38

- ii. Council noted payments received to 30th April.

From & details	Total
RBS, bank interest	£54.88
WSC, precept	£25,000.00
VV advertising	£45.00
Total Monies Received	£25,099.88

- iii. Council noted bank balances to 30th April.

Current	£806.69
Savings	£57,906.28
Total Bank Balance	£58,712.97

- iv. **Council resolved to approve bank reconciliation for April 2025.**

- v. **Council resolved to approve current Direct Debits and**

Standing Orders.

Payee & details	Type	Amount
J Hook - Clerks salary, MONTHLY , 1st of the month	SO	£715.74
Nest - Clerks pension, MONTHLY , around 7th of month	DD	variable
ICO - membership, YEARLY , April	DD	£47

16. End of year finance & audit

- i. **Council resolved to approve and sign the end of year bank reconciliation.**
- ii. **Council resolved to approve and sign section 1 of the AGAR form.**
- iii. **Council resolved to approve and sign section 2 of the AGAR form.**
- iv. **Council resolved to approve the supporting statement and explanation of variances for audit.**

17. Council resolved to adopt updated Standing Orders.

18. Council resolved to adopt updated Financial Regulations.

19. Council resolved to adopt updated Code of Conduct.

20. Council resolved to adopt the following policies and procedures;

- a. Financial risk assessment for 2025/26
- b. Electronic Payment Risk Register
- c. Internal Control Statement
- d. Internal Control Report

21. Skate & play park inspections

Council noted from report that remedial work required, but all low to very low risk.

DB advised community centre had completed some fence repairs, and that he is still seeking quotes to have the last of the equipment repairs completed.

22. Overgrown pavements

Clerk advised necessary forms and licenses obtained and sent - now awaiting SCC's final approval.

Contractor has advised that costs may vary slightly due to further growth, but will try to keep to minimum.

Council resolved that this was acceptable, given the length

of time passed since the original quote.

23. Speeding in the village

The Clerk advised that following contact with the Community Policing Team, they had attended the village and reported that there was a speeding concern in the village. They will be adding it to their list and making a more regular attendance.

DL raised concern over the noise of the motorbikes travelling through the village and being able to hear them coming from a long distance off. The Clerk advised that in his other Clerk role in Icklingham, they had asked him to contact the other villages along to the A1101 to meet and discuss the issues of speeding motorcycles, especially on club nights and Krazy Horse event nights. The idea was suggested to meet with the Krazy Horse team to discuss how it impacts the villages.

Council agreed not to meet, but asked the Clerk to raise with the Community Policing Team and ask for potential spot checks, notably on certain nights when the issue is known to be worse.

24. Clerks extra hours for CiLCA qualification

Council resolved to approve extra 2 hours per week for training and study, as included in the budget.

25. Donations to community groups - S137 monies

This item was covered earlier in the meeting.

26. Correspondence

- i. Thanks from East Anglian Air Ambulance, SARS, the WI and the village hall for their donations

The Clerk had also received notification that a resident had notified Anglian Water of the leak outside of the community centre.

The Clerk was also working on another residents request for ownership information of the verge on the right hand side of Pigeon Lane - ongoing.

27. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) and will be held on June 17th commencing 18:00 followed by the Parish Council meeting commencing at 18:30 at the Community Centre.

Meeting closed 21:12

Dates For Parish Council and related meetings 2025

June 17th	Annual Parish Meeting plus Parish Council
July 15th	Parish Council
August	<i>no meeting unless planning</i>
September 16th	Parish Council
October 21st	Parish Council
November 18th	Parish Council
December	<i>no meeting unless planning</i>

All meetings will be held at 18:30 an the community centre unless otherwise advised on the Agenda which will be posted on the village hall notice board at least three full clear days* before each meeting.

Agendas can also been found on the Parish Council website.

www.fornhamallsaintsparish.gov.uk

**excludes Sundays and Bank Holidays*

Why not come along to our next meeting?

Got something to share, or a question to ask? There is always time allocated for questions from members of the public.

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For more information, email:

clerk@fornhamallsaintsparish.gov.uk

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Dates & Times for 2025:

June 17th
July 15th
August 12th
September 9th
October 7th
November 4th
December 2nd
December 30th

Thingoe Lodge
12:35 – 12:55pm

Parish Church
13:00 – 13:20pm

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FORNHAM ALL SAINTS TABLE TENNIS CLUB

We play on **Monday nights, 7-9pm** in the community centre.

We are always looking to grow our membership. The club is run on a “for fun” basis and welcomes all levels of play.

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Martin 07784 225375 or Derek 07505 762267

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Fornham Garden Club

Fornham Garden Club met on 11th March 2025 to listen to Nigel Start give his illuminating talk on the pleasures and perils of Poisonous Plants in our Gardens.

He informed that toxins are widespread in the natural world, that many plants and fungi produce them. Early civilisation learned about this and passed on the knowledge and they were used as medicines and drugs e.g. digitalis. Some are lethal and the amateur gardener can be at risk eg. hemlock which is reappearing in hedgerows.

Many of our garden plants are toxic, for example native evergreens, especially the red berries which are not even touched by birds and wildlife. Although ivy and juniper are eaten by goats! Wildlife do not touch willow or the fruit of the wild cherry.

To the gardener laburnum seeds, wisteria sap, Japanese anemone stems, Lily of the Valley sap, fig sap and unripe fruit, and also euphorbia sap are all toxic. In the vegetable garden there are toxins in uncooked runner beans and many other beans, and rhubarb leaves. Also green potatoes, tomatoes, aubergines and sweet peppers, some if eaten unripe, others should be cooked.

Evergreen hedges and box cuttings can be an irritant to the skin and beware of leaving laurel cuttings in a confined space!

Lastly many bulbs are toxic eg tulips, snowdrops, daffodils and hyacinths. And with mushrooms - always seek the advice of an expert!

On 8th April, the Garden Club held its Annual General Meeting where the Chairman thanked all who helped with the running of activities and also the members for attending. During the previous 12 months there had been 8 meetings, 3 outings and the annual dinner. A gardening themed quiz was held instead of a speaker and enjoyed by all.

On 13th May the Club was delighted to receive a talk and slideshow from Melanie Collins of Mickfield Hostas. The first information was inevitably about slugs and snails. Hosta are mainly attacked by snails which are nocturnal. Controlling them can be done by erasing their

trails or by using water barriers as they need air to breathe. Pellets also can be put in small jars and left in places where snails may hide during the day. Vigilance is needed all year round to protect the plants. Also, companion planting or the use of petroleum products and coffee can disrupt their sense of smell and copper tape or the use of any metal is a good barrier.

Hostas are shade loving but it is best to avoid extremes of wet or dry. Divide plants in the green between May and September. If in pots, wet the root ball well to make it more pliable. When watering hostas do it well and not just sprinkle and do not over feed. Some provide fragrant flowers and modern cultivars will flower more than once.

Hostas are originally from Asia, mostly from Japan where there is a temperate climate with defined seasons. There are around 69 species with about 10,000 different cultivars. When choosing a Hosta consider its size when mature, placement, colour and seasonal variegation.

For further information about Fornham Garden Club please contact the Chairman on **07876 644611** or **ijfrob@gmail.com**

2025

Tue 13th May Hostas
Melanie Collins

Tue 11th November Bamboo Species
Lew Dyer The Pros and Cons

Tue 10th June Langham Hall Walled Gardens
(visit - own cars) 3x9cm plants, tea, cake £15

Tue 9th December Compost
Chris Field

2026

Tue 8th July The Trouble **Without** Wasps
Dr. Ian Bedford

Tue 13th January Annual Dinner

Tue 12th August Walk and Talk
at Depden Care Farm
(visit - own cars) Tim Freathy

Tue 10th February Companion Planting
Dr. Ian Bedford for a Balanced Garden

Tue 9th September Sustainable Gardening
MD Sow Successful Chris Wilev

Tue 10 th March	Creating Full Blooming
Sharka Baxter	in Difficult Areas

Tue 14th October Fullers Mill
Jude Law A Plantsman's Garden

Tue 14th April Annual General Meeting

FAS Volunteering Group

I am pleased to report that we now have 17 members of the group and that the “season” is well under way.

At the time of writing we have had two major sessions to tidy and improve the village green area and one smaller group (by necessity!) working on the River Lark to repair the fence that has seen better days. Another session will be required to finish the full length of the fence but once complete the path should be much more user friendly.

The work on the green has included sweeping and weeding the full length of the path and War Memorial, the restoration of the various flower beds which included the removal of many sack-fulls of leaves and weeds. New planting can now take place.

The area by the small Church gate has now been prepared and the soil level raised ready for planting. Sadly, there is concrete under this area so planting will be limited.

On behalf of the PC, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you that give of your time and effort to make the village a better place to live. We can no longer rely on the powers above to do all the work so it is incumbent on us all to do what we can. Many of you do, either as part of the group or as individuals in your own local areas. Charity begins at home and so does keeping the village clean and tidy so please don't think your individual efforts go unnoticed. It really does make a difference so THANK YOU one and all.

We will be holding another session in early June so if you would like to join in please contact me and I will have great pleasure in adding you to the WhatsApp group.

See you soon in a hi-vis jacket!

Martin Loveridge

Martin Loveridge, Volunteering Group Leader
07784-225375 | loveridgemartin@yahoo.co.uk

Fornham All Saints Church News

The Visit of Bury U3A, Thursday 3rd April 2025 The sun shone brightly for the visit of the Bury U3 “Exploring Churches” group. After some lovely fruit loaf and biscuits and drinks and the normal notices, John and Gillian presented, with much help from Alan and Teresa’s guide, the history of the church. We explained the medieval church and the setting of the church in the village. We moved on to share the changes in the Victorian period and the influence that Arthur Blomfield had on the church.

We then described some of the key things to look out for, in particularly within the Lady Chapel, the West Wall and the Chancel. The group then followed things to look out for in the churchyard, the Saxon coffin, the tower parapet and shape, the misplaced grave, the South side of the church, so much to see!

We then returned to the church to talk about the more recent changes, the heating, floodlights, the toilet extension, the North

Transept and the ceiling, all big projects and all making the church the much appreciated and admired building it is today.

My personal thanks to Elizabeth for some superb fruit loaf and to Gillian, my ever so supportive prop in all matters relating to the church. As a result, £190 was donated by the 31 visitors towards church funds.



Visit to Rev Colin Everitt Memorial Service A small group from Fornham All Saints and Fornham St Martins churches attended the Memorial Communion Service at St John The Baptist Church, Needham Market on Monday 28th March. The church was full, as many memories were shared. We met up with Christine and their sons Mark and Steve and were able to share the memories we had of Colin in the 1980s and early 1990s.

Easter Day The Easter day service was well attended, over fifty people came to celebrate this important event. The service was led by Rev Andy Miller. Afterwards, there was an Easter Egg Hunt in the Churchyard for those who had the energy to run in search of their treasure.

After the service, we had to say goodbye to the two Johns on the PCC who have both retired from their duties in the church. John Grinham has been Warden for many years; he has worked tirelessly doing the important tasks that most of us didn't know existed. John has been responsible for many projects; the ceiling was refurbished which was a major undertaking and the organ has had to be stripped down. There have been many other jobs that have needed his attention. He welcomes and greets always ready to converse. His concerns and friendliness spill out into the village and beyond.

It is now time for John to hang up his warden's boots. So thank you for all that you have done for the Church and its people John. It has all been very much appreciated.

We also thanked John Sadler, who has been Treasurer for many years. He has handled the finance of the church with great care and attention. He has worked hard to secure grants and provide the PCC with meticulous accounts.

We presented both with tokens of our appreciation and we wish them well.

One other person merits our thanks is Mary who organises our wonderful cleaners but cleans the brass throughout the year, not only on the warm days but on the coldest of days. Thank you Mary.

Other Events The Annual Parochial Church Meeting took place on Tuesday 13th May in the Culford Village Hall.

There are vacancies on the PCC, if you are interested and wish to join, then please contact a member of the PCC.

And Lastly... The three wise men of Fornham All Saints!



John Grinham & Judith Scott

John Grinham & Judith Scott

Fornham All Saints Church 101 Club Winners

The new 101 Club year starts on 1st May 2025. I do hope that everyone will renew their subscription, which remains at £12 for the year. It would be wonderful if more people would consider joining!

	1st	2nd	3rd
May	R Chenery	P Purnell	A Goodenough

Friends Of The Village Hall News

AGM Our AGM was held before film night on Tuesday 22nd April. All club members were invited. A report was given on all the clubs seen below.

The majority create enough money to pay for the hall hire, but the Film Club doesn't with the extra cost of the Film Licence and films, therefore the cost of belonging to the film club was put up to £10 a year, it had been £6 since the club started in 2015. During the year we have donated £60 to twin one of the hall's new toilets to one in Nepal. We purchased one of the hall's new toilets and wash basins, £50 was donated to Mesothelioma, a condition one of our members has had.

Prizes and beetle cards were bought for the beetle drive and the final total raised for Children in Need was £403. Some members visited Earsham Hall subsidised by the club. Our finances have remained firm with the total funds up nearly £100 on the previous year. New clubs have been suggested and some names are down for Line Dancing, History Society, Tai Chi and a craft afternoon during the winter months. After the film, everyone enjoyed either a glass of wine or fruit juice and nibbles brought by members. A successful year.



Fornham Footers April, we parked in Troston, walked along lanes and in the wood to discover the sculptured wooden animals, through Honington and onto Ixworth Thorpe and back to Troston through the fields. Unfortunately, one of our walkers got attacked by a bramble, fell and hurt her arm and shoulder. Thanks go to Derek and Nicki for taking her to hospital and later back home. She is recovering well and hopes to join us on one of our next walks.



May, we split into two groups: the long walk and the shorter one. Buses were taken to either Flempton or Hengrave. We all met up in Hengrave and had an enjoyable walk down Mill Road and along the river. Our walk ended at the Three Kings in the village, where we had an excellent lunch.

Next walks Fridays 6th June and 4th July.

Mahjong We meet twice a month at 9.30am on a Monday morning, there is always plenty of chat and laughter. Imperial Jade, Flying Angels, Windy Chow and now Robbing the Kong, a new special hand for us. If you would like to know what all these special hands are, come along to one of our sessions and learn how to play.

£2 table money inc. refreshments.

Next games Mondays at 9.30am on 9th & 23rd June and 14th & 28th July.

Please contact either Lynne 766909 or Mary 763701.

Film Club (4th Tuesday of the month but not August or December).

WE NEED MORE FILM CLUB MEMBERS!

In April, we saw "The Great Escaper" starring Michael Caine and Glenda Jackson, an excellent film. In May we will be watching "All the Money in the World" starring Christopher Plummer and Michelle Williams. The film follows the kidnapping of John Paul Getty III and the desperate attempt by his mother to convince his grandfather to pay the ransom.

The licence we hold means that we cannot advertise future films or charge per film, you must be a club member. Contact Lynne to find out what the next film will be.

Next film nights are at 7.30pm on Tues. 24th June and 22nd July.

Look out for the piece in the magazine our film week to promote the film club and commemorate VJ Day 80 in August.

Book your tickets now!

Traveller's Tales Is now on holiday till our next meeting on **Thurs. 11th Sept. at 7.30pm.**

Do you have any interesting holidays which you would like to share with the group?

Board & Card Games Everybody who comes enjoys these afternoons but during the summer months we only meet once a month. Our favourite game at the moment is Rummikub, a new game to me but very enjoyable. Each meeting the players decide which game, new or old that they would like to play. £2.50 table money inc. refreshments. **Our next Weds. afternoons from 2pm to 4pm will be on 18th June & 16th July.**



Fornham Hackers! The Spring Challenge has changed to an early summer one at Bury 9 hole course, taking place on 11th June. The stableford score will be added to the Autumn 2025 Challenge score to find the cup winner for 2025.

Bus Pass Challenge The winner of the challenge was Malcolm who gave us two options both starting in Fornham with a walk to St Martin, one ending in Lowestoft and returning straight away. The second option was to Southwold with 2 hours there to enjoy a meal or paddle in the sea. Hopefully we may get to do the second suggestion during the summer.

Charlie Haylock Tickets have all gone now but names can be added to a waiting list.

I always welcome ideas for new groups connected to the "Friends", Please contact Lynne **766909** or **lynne.quayle99@btinternet.com**

Our new subscription year is £10 a year from May to belong to the "friends" + other club subs.

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March How the Saxons lost England in a day, 1066, was the title of Kevin Boardman's talk in March. A year of turmoil, with three rival warlords all wanting to be king of England and eventually, only one winner. Edward the Confessor died without children or heirs in January, so the English Witan (council of Anglo-Saxon kings) chose Harold, a true Saxon and most powerful man in England as the next king. Duke William of Normandy and Harald Hardrada, Viking king of Norway both believed they had a claim on the throne. So in September Harald Hardrada landed on the east coast sailing up the Humber and Ouse with his army. King Harold won the first battle at Fulford, near York and at the second battle called the Battle of Stamford Bridge, Harald Hardrada was killed. Meanwhile Duke William, who had been unable to set off from France due to bad weather, arrived on the south coast at Hastings in October with his army and set about raiding and looting the villages. William had promised anyone who would fight with him would be given English land, he probably had a strength of eight or ten thousand men, two thousand of which were cavalry. Plus he was fighting under the Papal banner. The Normans fought on horseback, the Saxons did not. Once King Harold was informed of William's arrival he marched his army, with all their equipment, the 200 miles south for the showdown. William's archers and cavalry charges eventually broke the Saxons' defences and King Harold was killed. William was a ruthless, brutal ruler using force to impose his will, insisting that French was spoken, he took all the lands and riches of the Anglo-Saxon ruling classes and did indeed give lands to his own Norman supporters. He also limited the freedom of Anglo-Saxon women. William the Conqueror was crowned in Westminster Abbey on Christmas Day and that brought the end of Anglo-Saxon rule and a new age of Norman rule in England began.

April Jonathan Houseago, a hedgehog champion, encouraged us to make our gardens (if we are lucky enough to have one) hedgehog friendly, as hedgehog numbers have declined since the start of the millennium. Leaving out shallow bowls of fresh water every evening, setting up a simple feeding station using a large plastic storage box, with a 13cm square doorway and putting in meat based cat or dog food, or hedgehog food. Getting together with neighbours to cut a 13cm square hole at the base of fences to make hedgehog highways to let them roam, making sure ponds have pile of stones or a ramp to

allow hedgehogs to climb out if they fall in. If you can, create a wild corner by letting the plants just grow, with perhaps a pile of logs for nesting. Readymade hedgehog houses can also be sited in a quiet part of the garden. Check thoroughly before using a strimmer as hedgehogs have no 'flight' mechanism so roll into a ball, also take care with bonfires and check before lighting, as a hedgehog could be building a nest or hibernating inside. Hedgehogs are solitary, nocturnal and non territorial creatures, which are reliant on smell and hearing as they have poor eyesight. They are Britain's only spiky animal and are found in mainland Britain and Ireland and some islands. The babies are called hoglets and are born in spring and summer. So, if you encourage hedgehogs into your garden you will be rewarded as they will eat many garden pests! Further information can be found on **www.hedgehogstreet.org**

Our meetings are usually in the village hall at 2.00pm on the second Tuesday of the month, do come, visitors will receive a very warm welcome! Please call or text Elizabeth for further information on 07311 281775.

Elizabeth Gingell

Elizabeth Gingell, Fornham All Saints WI President

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Pilates Sarah: 07791 330924	Every Tuesday	10:00am to 11:00am
Art Club 01284 767339	Every 2nd Tuesday in month Every 4th Saturday in month	1:45pm to 4:45pm 10:00am to 4:00pm
Garden Club Ian: 07876 644611	Every 2nd Tuesday in month	7:00pm for 7:30pm start
Computer Club	Every 3rd Tuesday in month	2:00pm to 4:00pm
iPad Club	Every 4th Tuesday in month	2:00pm to 4:00pm
Bowls Chris: 01284 703024	Every Wednesday	7:00pm to 9:00pm
Exercise Caroline: 07528 927572	Every Thursday	9:30am to 11:00am
Stars Stitch & Textile Teresa: 07946 523282	Every 1st and 3rd Thursday in month	10:00am to 4:00pm
Drumming Moir: 07949 253917	Thursday nights	7:00pm to 8:30pm
Out of the Fold (Textiles) Tereasa: 07968 312680	Every 2nd and 4th Friday in month	contact for times

Date for your diary!

FAMILY QUIZ

July 26th

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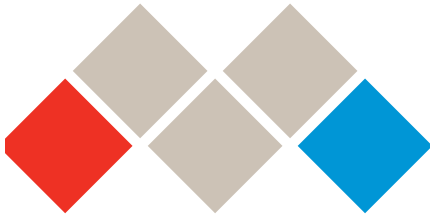
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