



ICKLINGHAM VILLAGER

March 2019



Dear Icklingham Resident

We write to advise you that a new district-level council for the West Suffolk area is being created on 1st April 2019. Forest Heath District Council and St Edmundsbury Borough Council have been sharing their services, staff and management for many years and their services are jointly delivered under the widely recognised West Suffolk councils' brand.

While the new West Suffolk Council will entirely replace Forest Heath and St Edmundsbury, we will continue to deliver the same top quality services while finding improved ways of supporting communities, businesses and the local economy.

The new single council will give the area a greater ability to:

Be stronger and financially resilient to surpass the challenges of reduced public funding and any changes to local government

Be the right size to continue to support our local villages, towns and communities but with a larger and stronger unified voice to more effectively lobby Government and attract internationally recognised businesses

Have a unified strategic vision for the whole area enabling us to be even more pro-active and able to capitalise on commercial opportunities

Continue the shared service working that has saved millions and build on this to deliver even better value and savings to invest back into high quality services and local community initiatives

Be better placed to offer extra support in many areas particularly working with communities to improve health and wellbeing

Have the leadership available to work more effectively with partners and others to manage increased growth, jobs and challenges that will drive the local economy and benefit our communities

Make sure we can provide more and the right kind of homes for our residents and cut unnecessary red tape for local businesses and traders

Keep the same overall boundaries as the borough and district council our communities call home while having the long term stability to deliver high quality services.

Creating the electoral wards for the West Suffolk Council

As part of the creation of the new West Suffolk Council the number of councillors will be reduced from 72 to 64. This requires a review of the ward boundaries for the whole of West Suffolk using the parish council boundaries as building blocks. The decision on how this will change is down to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England and not the councils.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has published their final recommendations for the West Suffolk Council ward boundaries. Subject to parliamentary approval, the final recommendations will come into force at the election on 2 May 2019. New single council for West Suffolk

Proposals to create a new West Suffolk Council to drive prosperity, jobs and meet future challenges have been backed by Government.

Both the House of Lords and House of Commons backed the proposals and the orders to create the new West Suffolk Council have been signed by the Secretary of State. A new shadow authority for West Suffolk has been established and includes councillors from both Forest Heath District and St Edmundsbury Borough Councils. The shadow authority is working to make the transition to the new council as smooth as possible, ready for it to be created in April 2019 and elections held in May 2019. WEST SUFFOLK COUNCIL

SUFFOLK WEST FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES RISBY WI

How about paying us a visit?

We meet on the second Thursday of the month in Risby Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Icklingham used to have a WI many years ago so it would be good for some of you to get connected once again.

Our meetings are interesting with speakers and a wide range of subjects.

As part of the Suffolk West Federation it is amazing the different activities we get involved in.

It's not all Jam and Jerusalem these days!! The Federation will be 100 years old in 2020 so come and help us celebrate.

You will be most welcome.

If you would like to know a little bit more about Risby WI, how about giving Jill Gooch the Federation Vice Chairman a ring on 01284 728514.

Icklingham Parish Council

THE DATE OF THE NEXT

MEETING IS

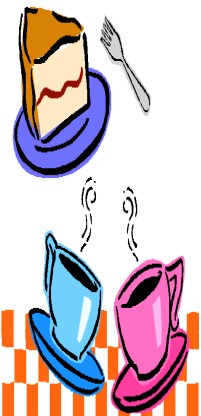
**26th March at 7.30pm
in the Old School Hall**

All are welcome to attend

PC Meetings will also be held on 14th May, 30th July, 24th Sept & 26th November

There are vacancies for two new Parish Councillors, if you are interested and want to get more involved in your village please contact the Clerk Mrs Vikki Austin on Tel: 01638 510449 Tel: 01842 861748

email IcklinghamPC@gmail.com or come along to the next meeting and see what the PC does.



COFFEE MORNING AT
ST JAMES CHURCH on
MARCH 30th

10.30am onwards
CAKES & BOOKS FOR SALE
RAFFLE

A fun and friendly morning,
come along and get to know
your neighbours

The Flower Club

At the next meeting of the Flower Club local florist Verity Marston will be demonstrating pedestals and window arrangements.

This will be held on Saturday March 23rd 11.00am - 1.00pm at St James Church.

£5.00 per person. This includes refreshments and a raffle ticket.

ALL WELCOME



The East Anglian Game & Country Fair

This will take place on Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th April 2019 at the Euston Estate, near Thetford, home of The Duke & Duchess of Grafton.

We welcome world class events and attractions to the show each year. Some of the Main Arena displays confirmed for the 2019 include; The Silver Stars Army Parachute Display Team, UK Horseboarding Team, The British Scurry & Trials Driving Championships, Ye Olde Redtail Falconry Display, Harvey's Heavy Horses, Mid Norfolk Gundog Team and The Suffolk Hunt.

Advance discounted admission e-tickets are available now at or online at www.ukgamefair.co.uk by calling the ticket hotline number 01263 735 828 Adult £15.00, Children (5-16 Yrs) £6.00 and Family (2 Adults & 2 Children) £40, (offer valid until midday 22/04/19 and a small booking fee applies to phone orders). Under 5's are Free and Car Parking is Free for all.

Bacon & Leek Risotto

Rapeseed oil for frying
Large handful fresh sage leaves
4 smoked streaky bacon rashers, chopped
1 large leek, finely sliced
2 garlic cloves, crushed
250g Arborio risotto rice
150ml dry white wine
750ml hot vegetable stock
80g soft goat's cheese

Heat the oven to 200°C/ 180°C fan/gas 6. Heat 2 tbsp oil in a pan over a medium heat, then fry the sage until crisp. Set aside on a plate and tip out half the oil. Fry the bacon over a medium heat until crisp on both sides. Set half aside with the sage.

Add the leek to the rest of the bacon in the pan and cook for 5 minutes until softened and lightly browned. Add the garlic and cook for 1 minute, then stir in the rice and turn up the heat slightly. Add the wine and let it bubble. When the wine has reduced by half, stir in the stock, then transfer to a baking dish with a tight-fitting lid and cook with the lid on for 20 minutes or until the rice is tender but still has bite and the stock is absorbed.

Stir in the most of the goat's cheese until melted, then serve the risotto with the remaining bacon, cheese and sage scattered on top. You can use the same amount of pearl barley instead of Arborio rice. Instead of stirring in the soft goat's cheese you can use butter and parmesan at the end, which still gives the dish the desired richness and flavour.



St Nicholas Hospice
The spectacular Elvis Presley
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For more information please contact:
John Maxim on 07876 656070 or Miranda McCoy
on 01284 715567 or miranda.mccoy@stnh.org.uk.
Tickets are available online now.

PLACES TO VISIT - LYNFORD ARBORETUM

There are many walking routes that take you alongside the lake which is good for waterfowl and passes through the Wellingtonia avenue which is a must see. Enjoy the peace and quiet and the wildlife (including the abundant deer which show themselves regularly). A beautiful place to visit with lovely autumn colours. Plenty of walks amongst the vast variety of trees. Marked out routes of various lengths so easy to stretch your legs without getting lost. Although the Arboretum itself does not allow dogs, all the rest of the site is extremely dog friendly. The dog agility trail is a brilliant idea. Also there is Lynford Hall Hotel next door for drinks and food. A lovely day out.

If you have place you can recommend please let me know!

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Icklingham Parish Council
Items taken from the minutes of the meeting of Icklingham
Parish Council held on Tuesday 29 January 2019

It was reported that the street light opposite the Red Lion is not working, the Clerk will follow this up. Also, Dog Fouling on the playing field. An article will be put in the Newsletter reminding people of their responsibility and the Clerk will contact District Council with reference to Dog Fouling signs.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27 November 2018, were duly signed

Bus Shelter – Cllr Halford has spoken with SIS Sheds who have still not started the work on the bus shelter as promised multiple times. We have now moved to another local supplier (Matt Goodwin) who can complete this project. Once the project is finalised this will be included in the Parish Council's insurance.

Defibrillators in Phone Box – Cllr Halford met with the supplier for electric works, and has been given a quote, this needs to be investigated further as to cost / options and the Parish Council may have to reconsider future options/uses for the Phone Box.

Playing Field Maintenance Quote 1. To carry out remedial works to fill in low spots and deep rabbit holes, compact and supply and spread grass seed.

Quote 2. To cut and strim all rough grass areas around the fence lines and hard surfaces and a one-off treatment of all fences lines.

EASTER EVENT / ACTIVITY After discussions it was decided that a Summer event would be more appropriate and would investigate a community event on the playing field as this would allow more time to organise and hopefully better weather.

The application for The Plough Inn went to delegation on Wednesday 23rd January. The reasons for refusal are, The applicant has failed to demonstrate that the requirements of Policy DM41 in relation to the loss of a community facility have not been satisfied. The premises have not been actively marketed since 2013 and the marketing exercise carried out on 2012/2013 fell short of the 12 months required.

Policy DM13 requires development proposals to demonstrate that their location, scale, design, and materials will protect and where possible enhance the character of the landscape.

Policy CS2 of Forest Heath Core Strategy 2010 requires that new build development will be restricted within 1,500m of components of the Breckland SPA designated for Stone Curlew. The mitigation put forward by the applicant to address the likely adverse effects on the Breckland SPA from the development is unacceptable to Natural England and no alternative measures have been agreed.

District Councillor Rona Burt's report was received. Mrs Burt is retiring and her last day is on Monday 6th May, She will be at the meeting in March to say goodbye and show her thanks for your support over the last 16 years !

***The full minutes can be seen on the PC Notice Board
by the Red Lion.***

COATS FOR CHARITY

***WE ARE STILL COLLECTING WINTER
COATS FOR THE HOMELESS.***

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GARDENING TIPS FOR MARCH

- 1. Protect new spring shoots from slugs**
- 2. Plant shallots, onion sets and early potatoes**
- 3. Plant summer-flowering bulbs**
- 4. Lift and divide overgrown clumps of perennials**
- 5. Top dress containers with fresh compost**
- 6. Mow the lawn on dry days**
- 7. Cut back Cornus (dogwood) and Salix (willow) grown for colourful winter stems**
- 8. Hoe and mulch weeds to keep them under control early**
- 9. Start feeding fish and clean the pond fountain and filters, remove pond heaters**
- 10. Prune bush and climbing roses**

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March 6th **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** 7.00pm
This is a Cluster Service with refreshments afterwards

March 31st **MOTHERS DAY SERVICE** 9.30am

For other Church services please check the notice board at St James Church porch or contact the Church Wardens



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LIBRARY VAN DATES FOR 2019

March 9th, April 6th, May 4th, calling at West Street
at 2.40pm, The Hall Close at 3.10pm
& The Village Green at 3.25pm.
The Mobile Manager is Kevin Lambert 07884422762

DON'T FORGET THE CLOCKS GO FORWARD
This year the clocks go forward
at 1.00am on 31st March

DATE FOR THE DIARY

There will be a Litter pick on
Saturday morning 6th April
Please bring your own gloves.
Hi-Vis jackets and pickers will
be supplied.
More details in next
Villager newsletter.