

CANTLEY PARISH NEWSLETTER

Newsletter for Cantley, Limpenhoe and Southwood May 2019

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 19/20

All dates are at 7pm in Cantley Village Hall unless stated otherwise.

16th May 2019

20th June 2019

18th July 2019

19th September 2019

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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

The parish now has a Community Resilience Plan which brings together information that could be useful in different types of local emergencies. The idea of a Community Resilience Plan has been promoted nationally and locally for all parish councils in Norfolk. It is supported by the emergency services and other emergency responders including voluntary groups such as the Red Cross. The plan includes a list of useful phone numbers and websites for where to report issues or ask for further information. Examples of the types of incidents include: a power cut, loss of water supply, severe weather events such as flooding, heavy snow or a heatwave. There is a map which indicates areas that could flood if the river banks are overtopped.

The plan will be posted on the parish council website. There are several links to other useful websites included in the plan. If you need a hard copy please let us know. Anyone interested in becoming a Red Cross community volunteer please see the link in the plan.

The Parish Council continues to meet once a month, dates are shown above. All residents are welcome to attend, and time is set aside at the beginning of the meeting for any issues that members of the public may wish to raise. If you are unable to make a meeting, you could instead email the Parish Clerk on cantleyparishcouncil@gmail.com.

Events in Cantley, Limpenhoe and Southwood

Norwich to Yarmouth 175 years young – Saturday 4th May 2019

Did you know that the first railway in Norfolk was opened in 1844 and used Cantley Station? It ran between Norwich and Great Yarmouth and is now part of the Wherry Lines. FOCUS (Friends of Cantley Station) are holding an event on Saturday 4th May 2019 on Platform 2 from 10am to 2pm to celebrate 175 years. Please come and support us and enjoy a hot drink and a chat.

Cantley Fun Day – Saturday 6th July 2019

The Annual Cantley Fun Day will take place on Saturday 6th July 2019 between 11.00am and 3.00pm at Cantley Social Club, Station Road, Cantley. A fun day for all the family! Cantley Sugar Factory will also have a stand at the Fun Day where you can talk to Senior Managers.

Cantley Flower Show-Saturday 7th September 2019

Our next Flower Show is on Saturday 7th September 2019. You are free to enter classes in Photography, Flowers, Handicraft, Fruit, Cookery, Vegetables, Flower arranging and Children's Classes. Please note that the Children's Classes have been completely updated this year. The Cantley Poster Competition entries will also be on display. Now is the time to be busy in the garden tending your flowers, fruit and veg; busy indoors planning your cookery and completing your handicraft items as well as busy out and about taking photos.

We look forward to seeing you in September! Full details can be found at www.cantley.org/flowershow

Preserving Our Wetlands for Future Generations

Top of the RSPB's list for 2019 is to preserve our distinctive Norfolk Broads landscape.

In January 2018, the Broads Authority was successfully awarded a multi-million pound Heritage Lottery Fun by the Water, Mill and Marshes Project (WMM). This ambitious scheme has brought together 50 partnership organisations and groups across the region to broaden and deepen public engagement with the Norfolk Broads through education, training, employment, conservation, the arts and leisure and industry.

Through the WMM, the RSPB and the Norfolk Farming and Wildlife Advice Group (NFWAG) are now working together to enhance and improve wet grassland in our region. Wet grassland or grazing marsh accounts for a large proportion of our local village area and provides shelter and food for various species, including both breeding waders and wintering waterfowl. When people talk about the vast skies of the Broads, this distinctive habitat is generally what they mean.

Marshes are rich in biodiversity, history and local tradition, home to a variety of species, all of which rely on the continued preservation and management of a unique mix of habitats for our landscapes future survival.

Many of us already enjoy walking these areas along footpaths and river banks to RSPB reserves within the Broads grassland areas and long may it continue.

For more information on this project in our area please visit the RSPB website at www.rspb.org.uk

Parish Matters

Cantley Staithe Moorings

Cantley Staithe Trust has a mooring available at a cost of £400 per annum. If anyone would like further information regarding this available mooring then please contact the Parish Clerk at the contact details overleaf.

Keeping our Parish safe!

You may have heard that recently there has been a number of burglaries to shed and outside buildings in the Parish. The Parish Council would like to remind you all to keep your valuables in a safe place and keep all sheds and outbuilding securely locked. Let's try and work together as a community and keep our Parish safe. If you witness any unusual or suspicious behaviour then please contact the Police on 101.

Bonfires

Now is the time of year that you may be working on your gardens and having a sort out. One way to clear some of the waste is to have bonfires. The Parish Council ask that if you are considering having a bonfire residents are thoughtful and respectful to their neighbours and try to ensure that the wind is blowing away from properties and that only materials which are dry are burned.

Cantley Pond

The Parish Council has managed to secure some volunteers to tidy up and keep Cantley Pond looking nice for local people to use. However, we are still looking for some volunteers to assist with the maintenance of the area. If you are interested please contact the Parish Clerk at the contact details overleaf.

Dog Fouling

The Parish Council continues to receive complaints regarding dog fouling in the Parish. It has recently joined the Broadland Top Dog Scheme to try and tackle this long standing issue in the Parish. You can also join the scheme. Further details can be found at <https://www.broadland.gov.uk/topdog>