



Long Stratton News

WELCOME TO THE AUTUMN EDITION

Welcome to the Autumn edition of Long Stratton Town Council's newsletter.

We were saddened to hear about the death of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. She was an inspirational monarch and much loved by the Nation. St Mary's Church held a commemoration service which was well attended. The Proclamation of King Charles III was read out at South Norfolk District Council and the Council are looking forward to celebrating the King's coronation which is anticipated to be next year.

We have had a hot summer and it was lovely to see families enjoying the playing field and park. Sadly, we have also seen a rise in anti-social behaviour and have endured lots of vandalism to the park, public toilets and Council property. Council officers have reported all incidences to the Police and have provided CCTV when requested. Please can we ask that everyone remains vigilant and if you witness anti-social behaviour please call the Police on 101 and the Council office on 01508 530524.

Over the next few months the Council will be looking at the budget for 2023-2024. The Council are very mindful that the significant increase of utilities and the cost of living crisis will impact everyone, including the Council and as such careful consideration will be given to how we can work smarter to deliver the same essential services while keeping the costs of doing so as low as possible.

If you would like to discuss anything with the Council please contact Becky, the Town Clerk or come along to the next meeting which will

MEET YOUR COUNCIL

Chairman
Councillor
Kelly Lunness

Vice-Chairman
Councillor
Mat Pochin

Councillor
Andrew Lansdell

Councillor
Christina Kenna

Councillor
Diane Woodham

Councillor
Judith Baker

Councillor
Louise Mundford

Councillor
Robert Mackenzie

Councillor
Susan Smith

Councillor
Tony Wright

3 Vacancies



Long Stratton Town Council

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In Memory

Harry Ablett - 20yrs

Frank Alexander - 34yrs

Dennis Alexander - 19yrs

Kenneth Alexander - 23yrs

Ernest Annand - 33yrs

Bertie Barnes - 28yrs

Arthur Betts - 23yrs

Alfred Brookes - 32yrs

Charles Browne - 40yrs

Cyril Cheney - 20yrs

Frank Deeks - 39yrs

Fredrick Dickerson - 22yrs

Walter Edwards - 27yrs

Clare Foulger - 32yrs

Basil Francis - 19yrs

Charles Futter - 29yrs

William Fryer - 23yrs

John Goddard - 37yrs

Arthur Gooch - 24yrs

Fredrick Gooderham - 29yrs

Louis Grimble - 31yrs

Arthur Meen - 30yrs

William Rose

Thomas Sillem - 22yrs

Charles Ward - 26yrs

Cecil Warnes - 35yrs

William Warnes - 41yrs

Cyril Goodswen - 24yrs

Robert Phillippo - 30yrs

Richard Owtram - 23yrs

Henry Watson - 26yrs

St Michael's Road

St Michael's Road in Long Stratton runs from Norwich Road and connects to Swan Lane.

It is often used as a cut through for those wanting to avoid the Swan Lane / Norwich Road junction.



This is illegal!



St Michael's Road is a 'No Through Road' meaning that it is illegal to use it as a cut through. In one month the Speed Activated Monitor captured 18,534 vehicle movements coming from Norwich Road to Swan Lane with a top speed of 45mph! Police regularly monitor activity and we would like to ask all to abide by the law and stop using it as a cut through.

Community Emergency Volunteers

The Community Emergency Volunteer project has been created in response to local emergency situations and in collaboration with the Community Resilience team at South Norfolk District Council

Over recent years it has become apparent that our community needs a better response to emergency situations to help residents and businesses – changes in weather patterns, the floods of December 2020, the cost-of-living crisis, the Ukrainian Families appeals and most recently the fire at the Ice House Precinct.



We are looking for volunteers that can be called upon during times of need within the community.

Roles may include checking in on neighbours and local residents, distributing food, water or blankets, shovelling snow or delivering sandbags.

No experience is needed, just a willingness to help.

If you would like to find out more information or register to be a volunteer please contact us on:

office@longstrattontowncouncil.gov.uk

or

01508 530524



1800 Homes & Bypass



In our last newsletter, we advised that the development and bypass had been delayed by Nutrient Neutrality. This however has not stopped the investigative works needed to support the delivery of the bypass by Norfolk County Council.

Archaeological works were commenced on 1st August and will run until 4th November.

The archaeological works are being conducted in five key areas, four of which are on the eastern side of Long Stratton, with the fifth area located to the north of Long Stratton, on the western side of the existing A140 Norwich Road.

They have also been looking at trial holes which identifies where existing utilities and land drains are in the area.

Members of Long Stratton Council recently met with Norfolk Wildlife Trust and the Environmental officer at South Norfolk about how to maintain and develop the green infrastructure ensuring public open spaces and wildlife are protected with the delivery of the development and bypass. Several objectives were discussed and we will continue to work together to ensure delivery of those objectives. For more information please visit the Council's website.

MEET JESS

Jess is the Council's administrative assistant and has been with the Council for 5 years. Jess started her career here as the designated Neighbourhood Plan officer and is the Council's point of call for all matters relating to the Neighbourhood Plan.

Jess is currently concentrating on updating the website, if you have any feedback, she would love to hear from you. She also is the main point of contact for all events that the Council puts on, Christmas is her favorite time!

Jess has passed her training in Introduction to Local Council Administration.

Jess is married with 2 children and a cockerpoo called Bailee who is very bouncy!

Jess works 15 hours per week and you will find her in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays during office opening hours.



*Did you know, you can walk dogs on lead around the footpath on the playing fields only and there are dog bins situated at the entrances to the playing field on the footpath.
Dogs are not allowed on the playing field or play areas.*



Playground update.

The Council is still invested in refurbishing the playground. We are currently seeking grants to assist us in completing this task. At the time of writing we have secured £10,000 from the National Lottery and we are waiting to hear if we have been successful for £5,000 from Saffron. We are hoping work will take place in the new year.

Its' Christmas!!!



Christmas is fast approaching and we are working towards a brilliant Christmas event for you on the 2nd December starting at 4pm. There will be a brass band, craft stalls, tombola, a bar, live music and of course Santa is coming too. If you would like to be involved either as a performer or through running a stall then please get in contact, we want to hear from you!

Speed Activated Machine—SAM2

The Council, through a Parish Partnership Bid with Norfolk County Council secured a SAM2 and it has been positioned in various locations around Long Stratton. Most recently it has been positioned on Flowerpot Lane. Flowerpot Lane is 20mph, here are the findings.

Between the 8th July and 10th September there were a total of 116,256 vehicle movements. This is the total travelling towards the traffic lights and does not include the vehicle movements coming from the other direction.

The top speed was 45mph, over double the speed limit!

The Council are interested in purchasing another SAM2 device, again through the Parish Partnership Bid, we are keen to get a full picture of the traffic and speed used in Long Stratton, this information will be passed to the Police so they can take action where required.



Lets talk about vandalism!

On the 26th September in the evening, a person who was caught on CCTV smashed the Council noticeboard. The noticeboard cost the Council £385. We will now have to pay to get it repaired.

Over the summer holidays, individuals were caught on CCTV kicking the side of the house in the play area damaging it. The Council had to pay for new materials to make it right so that it could be used. Individuals were also caught ripping up the safety matting in the play area and spreading soil on all the equipment. The Council will need to pay to replace the

matting and wasted officer resource to clear up the soil. Individuals were also caught climbing on top of the container which although no cost to the Council it is very dangerous. Sadly it is a few that spoil it for all. Please can everyone speak to their family members and make them aware of these incidences. The police have been notified in all cases and where possible the Council will prosecute.



Could you be a Councillor?

May 2024 sees the next round of elections for Long Stratton Town Council.

Could you be a Councillor?

Would you like more information on what would be involved?

Do you have a passion for the community you live in?

Please come along to a Council meeting and experience what we do.

OFFICE OPENING HOURS
MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS
10AM-2PM
CLOSED WEDNESDAYS

**Has this newsletter
piqued your interest?**

**Is there something
that you would like to
know more about?**

**Is there something
that you would like to
see in the next
newsletter or on the
website**

**Please get in contact,
this newsletter is
designed to provide
as much information
about the important
work Long Stratton
Town Council are
doing and the
chances are, if you
have a query, other
residents will have
the same query.**

**Please take the time
to have a look at the
website, address is on
the first page.**

**We look forward to
hearing from you.**

KEY CONTACTS

Town Council office - 01508 530524

South Norfolk District Council - 01508 533633

- Bins
- Council tax
- Housing

Norfolk County Council - 0344 8008020

- Highways
- Social Services, adult and children
- Education

Managed by Parochial Church

Allotments - 07535 918141

email: lspilgrimteam@outlook.com

Long Stratton Medical Partnership - 01508 530781