



Parish Council Report

Christmas Event: Christmas may be all of a distant memory now, however as this is our first newsletter of the New Year, we would like to place on record our thanks to everyone who supported our Christmas event at the community centre. We were humbled by how many people who came to watch the tree lights switched on, see Santa Claus, sing some carols and partake in a mince pie. David Wilson Homes and South Norfolk Council provided financial support to enable the event to go ahead, and Ben Burgess loaned us specialist equipment, provided man-power and gave us the Christmas Tree stand (all of which were significant contributions given the size of the tree)! We were thrilled with the other community groups that got involved, such as the church and the Can't Sing Won't Sing group. Thank you to everyone who provided feedback, which has encouraged us to run another event in 2020. We have pencilled in the date of Sunday 6th December – so watch this space!

Increased Recycling Facilities: The Parish Council is partnering with Terracycle to provide recycling facilities above and beyond what can be recycled via the green wheelie bins. We are now able to collect baby food pouches and plastic can holders. Please feel free to drop these off at the community centre so we can recycle them.

Reducing Environmental Impact: The community centre is in the process of changing its consumable products to those which hold the EU Ecolabel award. This is awarded to products meeting high environmental standards throughout their life-cycle, from raw material extraction, to production, distribution and disposal. The Parish Council will continue to review its services and consider environmental impact when decisions are made.

Please be Courteous: The council is in receipt of increased complaints about parking on pavements. As a driver this may be convenient, but it leaves pedestrians, particularly vulnerable residents such as those with physical disabilities and those with children, having to walk in the road to get round your car. Please think when you park!

Date For Your Diary: The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th May, commencing at 7.30pm

Parish Precept

At the meeting on 8th January, the Parish Council agreed the 2020/2021 parish precept. This is the part of the council tax which is apportioned directly to Poringland. As a rapidly growing village, we have taken the decision to increase the amount payable by 4.29%. In financial terms, those living in a Band D property will pay an extra £3.68 per year (approximately 30p per month) to support the services provided by the Parish Council. Those living in properties which are classified as A-C will pay less than this.

Playing Field

The Parish Council has instructed works to commence on improving the drainage to the entrance to the park at the playing field. In addition to this, we would like to thank Framingham Earl Parish Council for their financial donation towards the maintenance of the playing field.

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For further information on any of our events or to book the Centre for your own private function please contact Rachel at bookings.poringlandcc@gmail.com, call 07770351794 or come and see us in the Parish Office



**PO-U-RINGLAND
BIERFEST**

**PO-U-RINGLAND'S 1ST TRADITIONAL
BIERKELLER INSPIRED BEER FESTIVAL!**

Big selection of beers plus live Oompah Band!

**PORINGLAND
COMMUNITY CENTRE
SATURDAY 2ND MAY**

**Tickets £15.00 includes entertainment,
commemorative beer glass, first drink & hot food**

**BOOK NOW! email bookings.poringlandcc@gmail.com, call
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Something new for the event's calendar this year – our very own Bierkeller inspired Beer Festival! Yes, what we hope will be the inaugural **PO-U-RINGLAND BIERFEST** will take place on Saturday 2nd May, when we'll be transforming the hall into a German Bierkeller and donning our very finest lederhosen!

With the support of the lovely people at Humpty Dumpty Brewery we'll have a variety of different beers for you to try (as well as gin and prosecco if beer isn't your 'thing') and fantastic entertainment from "The Oompah Band"!

For £15.00 we'll give you a full evening's entertainment, your first drink, a commemorative glass to drink it from and hot food of hot dogs, chips & cheese! Stamp cards will be available to purchase either in advance or on the night as well so you don't need to worry about paying for every drink each visit. Get in touch now to reserve your seat at the table!

Following on from the success of last year's event, we are booking now for this year's **VILLAGE GARAGE SALE**, which takes place on Saturday 13th June.

Last year we had over 40 participating properties across Poringland and Framingham Earl, selling their wares from the comfort of their own front lawn. It was a fantastic complete community event organised by Poringland Parish Council for the sole benefit of residents and The Nook Appeal.

Simply get in touch now to book your place on the map. Pitches are £7.00, with £2.00 for each going to the continued costs of running The Nook in. You'll 'open' from 9:30am – 1:30pm and all the money made on the stall is yours to keep.

Maps will be available to purchase from the end of the end of May from participating local businesses and the Community Centre. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for further information.

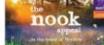


**Poringland & Framingham Earl
VILLAGE
GARAGE SALE**

SATURDAY 13th JUNE

SIGN UP NOW!

£7.00 per pitch

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BREAK UNTIL SEPTEMBER. OPEN FROM 9:00am-12:00pm. Get in touch to book a table!**