



THE BUGLE

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Meetings

The Parish Council meets at 7:30pm in the Village Hall, on the second Thursday of each month, except August & December. Please check the village notice boards for any date changes.

Website

www.fornhamstmartin.onesuffolk.net

The deadline for articles for The Bugle December - January issue, will be 20th November 2025.

Date For Next Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 9th October at 7:30pm

All meetings will be held at 7:30pm in the Village Hall unless otherwise advised on the meeting agenda which will be posted on the village notice boards at least three clear days before each meeting (*excluding Sundays & Bank Holidays*).

Agendas can also be found on the Parish Council website:

www.fornhamstmartin.onesuffolk.net



PLEASE
NOTE:
Council meetings
are normally on the
second Thursday of
the month, NOT
Monday

New domain and email address

In line with best practice, the Council has adopted a new gov.uk domain, which means that we have new, safer, more easily recognisable email addresses, which have greater control over than, rather than personal email address or gmail accounts.

For all communication, please email the Clerk in the first instance

clerk@fsmg-pc.gov.uk

The next step in this process is to move to website over so that it sits on the same domain. We are busy updating the website too, to make it more relevant and easier to use.

Pavements Update

Sadly, due to budget cuts at WSC and SCC many services have been cut back - regular jobs like sweeping the roads and pavements, cutting back bushes and hedges, and cleaning road signs have all suffered due to the cut backs and sadly our villages are looking a little bit tired and untidy because of it.

The Parish Council is now having to take on some of these roles, getting in outside contractors to complete the works, but this is an added pressure on our budget, some of which is made up by the Council Tax that you pay, by way of precept monies that the Parish Council claim each year.

We are happy to inform, that we are in the final stags of instructing a contractor to start some of these works in the village, so hopefully you will see some quite major changes in the coming months. Our biggest job is trying to bring the pavement from opposite the playing field all the way down to the boundary (near the Tollgate) back to its full width again.

If you spot any areas in the village that needs work or attention, please do not hesitate to let the Clerk know and we will look to get it sorted. Some jobs are Suffolk County Council or Highways, others are West Suffolk Council, and some may fall between the lines - but we will do our best our best!

**Do you want to make a positive difference
in your village?**

**Would you like to influence decisions
that affect your community?**

**Do you have innovative ideas, knowledge or
skills that could benefit your community?**

**Become a Parish Councillor!
YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!!**

To find out more about becoming a Parish Councillor, please email the Parish Clerk clerk@fsmcg-pc.gov.uk

Volunteering Group

As we reported in the last magazine, in Fornham All Saints, their volunteering group are successfully managing some of the simpler jobs themselves, and the village is looking much tidier for it!

We are looking to do the same, and we have heard from a few residents already who would like to help make the village around us a better place to live. Thank you to those who have shown an interest!

Our next step is to organise some simple training, offered by Suffolk County Council Community Self Help Scheme which then allows us to make a start. They then provide us with some PPE and provide funding to cover tools.

Would you be willing to help your village in this way? Please drop the Clerk an email if you would be get involved.

clerk@fmsg-pc.gov.uk

Come along to the next Parish Council meeting or keep an eye on future minutes to stay up to date on this.

Parish Councillor Vacancy

The Parish Council are still looking for new Councillors to represent both Fornham St Martin Ward and Fornham St Genevieve.

Our Parish Councillors:

- Are available for PC meetings, held monthly (with the exception of August & December) after 7:30pm in the evenings. Usually, the 2nd Thursday of the month.
- Attend occasional training sessions.
- Attend occasional consultation events and informative local authority meetings.
- Undertake any actions they volunteer for and are delegated to them from meetings.
- Receive and respond to PC emails in between meetings.
- May help with the village activities or village litter pick etc.

You need to:

- Care about getting the best for your community.
- Have a willingness to represent your electorate.
- Want to make a difference.
- Adhere to the Code of Conduct.
- Register your interests.
- Have the time and be committed and enthusiastic.

You must:

- Be a British Citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union;
- Be 18 years of age or over
- During the previous 12-month period resided in the council area;
or
- Have during the whole of the 12 months previous occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the council area;
or
- Have during that same period had your principal or only place of work in the council area;
or
- You can also satisfy the criteria to be elected if you have lived in the council area or within 3 miles of it for the whole of the 12 months previous

WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION:

If you are interested in the vacancy for Parish Councillor, or would like more info, please email the Clerk clerk@fsmsg-pc.gov.uk.

Is your group represented in The Bugle?

We want to know what's happening in the village, so if you want your group or organisation to be featured in this magazine, then please get in touch with the Editor for more information:

thebugle@fsmsg-pc.gov.uk

Tollgate Triangle Road Works

Don't forget that the Tollgate Triangle is being redeveloped and work will have begun already in late September.

This is likely to have an impact on traffic in the village as folk re-route, so just allow extra time for your journeys and be more careful if the traffic levels increase.

Bus Route Changes

Works to the Tollgate Triangle may affect bus routes in the village.

Be sure to check with the bus providers or on the Suffolk on Board website before travelling:

www.suffolkonboard.com

Alternatively, check out the advert for the Connecting Communities service, later in the magazine.

We'd love to hear from you!

Would you like to publish a piece in The Bugle newsletter?
A poem, a short story, an article on something you find interesting or a hobby you enjoy doing, a community event or project, a recipe?

Please contact thebugle@fsmsg-pc.gov.uk

Fornham St Martin cum St Genevieve Parish Council - July Meeting

Councillors present: Clive Last (CL) Chair, John Rushman (JR) Vice Chair, Paul Butler (PB) and Brandon Mahon (BM)

In attendance: Locum Clerk Justin Hook (JH), County Cllr Rebecca Hopfensperger RH), Hannah Cuthbertson, All Saints Resort (HC) and 5 members of the public

Apologies received: Vicky Bright (Clerk)

PUBLIC FORUM

David Yates from the Church shared the following updates:

- Looking forward to receiving the donation towards churchyard maintenance.
- Suggested PC look at CCLA for savings accounts offering good rates.
- Met with 2 PCSO's and spoke about the issue of speeding in the village. PCSO's were going to look into it and come back with further information.
- City Fibre: Official complaint lodged with SCC, City Fibre given one month to act.

Hannah Cuthbertson from All Saints Resort shared the following updates:

- The new eco pledge is in place with the aim of being the greenest hotel in the area.
- 20 new EV points planned once UKPN have installed new transformer – open to villagers.
- Pre-app in place for 25 overspill parking spaces close to pods, behind Birkdale Court. ASR have engaged with neighbours who would be most affected.
- Pre-app to extend below new gym area to enhance spa facilities and create a spa-garden.
- Contractors on the site have been receiving unacceptable abuse from angry residents.
- Ongoing tree works permitted under Forestry Commission license, to remove diseased trees. 7 year replanting schedule part of the license, but ASR planning to complete sooner.

Resident agreed that abuse was not acceptable, but pointed out that the felling license cited cricket bats not disease and was therefore misleading.

Cllr Mahon asked what the works were on the B1106?

HC confirmed this was the maintenance access which was approved via appeal.

Barton Hill resident raised the following concerns:

- Tarmac mound on the footpath acting like a dam, now full of mud. Who did it? Drain has been emptied and dumped on the verge, drain no longer visible.
- RH confirmed tarmac has been reported, but there is no actual outlet for the drain, just a channel that goes nowhere.
- River Lark Bridge to the bungalow, was previously cut back but not taken away, now growing with nettles. Needs cutting back again.
- Bus stop just past BMW overgrown and needs trimming back as blocking visibility of traffic coming round the bend.

ACTION: Clerk to report all three on SCC portal and give numbers to RH for follow up.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Chairs welcome & apologies for absence.
The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting.
Apologies received from the Clerk who is on sick leave.
2. To receive any Declarations of Members' Interest.
None received.
3. Approve and adopt draft minutes from Council Meeting 12th June.

Council noted that the date of the July meeting had changed and resolved to approve the minutes and the Chair signed them.

4. Council to consider co-opting Linda Leong-Son onto the Council.
Council resolved to co-opt Linda Leong-Son onto the Council, she joined the table and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
5. To receive County & District Councillors Reports.
 - Cllr Broughton sent her apologies.
 - West Suffolk Local plan now adopted, with work starting shortly to create the next plan.
 - RH spoke to monitoring officer regarding recent district devolution/LGR talks where only 3 speakers given opportunity share – not very democratic. Looking at 3 districts with no idea of split, no maps, no boundaries – therefore voting blind. 2 unitaries idea seems to have been discounted.
 - SCC proposing single unitary authority, RH believes for social care esp., this is still the strongest option.
 - 26th September final business plans put forward, then government decide.
 - In Norfolk, county proposing 1 unitary, districts proposing 4.
6. Banking update.
Clerk gave documents and card reader to Cllr Mahon and Cllr Rushman to enable access. Cllr Rushman confirmed he has full access on mobile banking.
Clerk to sit with Cllr Rushman to make payments and initiate access for the Locum Clerk and the Chair.
7. Internal audit.
 - i. **Council resolved to adopt the Internal Audit report form.**
 - ii. **Council resolved to adopt the Internal Auditors report.**
 - iii. **Council resolved to adopt Clerks report of audit findings, noting actions to be taken.**
8. Appointment of Cllr responsibilities (deferred from previous meetings).
Council resolved not to appoint a village hall representative.
Council resolved to appoint the Clerk (or in their absence, the Locum Clerk) as Responsible Financial Officer (RFO).
Council resolved that all Cllrs be responsible for trees and footpaths.
9. Planning applications for consideration;
 - i. DC/25/1024/LB. Application for listed building consent – replacement of existing window with door to side elevation.
The Stables, Fornham Park, Fornham St Genevieve, IP28 6TT.
Council resolved a vote of NO COMMENT on this application.
10. Finance.
 - i. **Council resolved to authorise outstanding invoices & payments.**
 - ii. **Council noted payments received for June.**
 - iii. **Council resolved to approve the bank reconciliation for June.**
 - iv. **Council resolved to open a Lloyds instant access savings account and move monies into that, keeping a small running amount in the current account.**
11. Highways, footpaths and trees.
 - i. Action on overgrown pathways in the village.
Clerk has walked the village with FAS' SCC approved contractor to get quotes for work. Much of it is day rate maintenance, with the main job being the path from opposite the playing field down to Tollgate, potentially circa £6k with traffic management. Awaiting firm quotation.
RH suggested to look into the contractors Gt Barton have used.

ACTION: Clerk to get other quotes.

RH advised be mindful of the parish boundaries and therefore responsibility.

Council agreed this was a priority job, getting the pavements back.

Cllr Last mentioned the traffic lights outside the Esso garage on the Tollgate not being visible due to trees from the Priory Hotel.

Action: Clerk to speak to the Priory.

- ii. Highways signage audit and cleaning plan.
Clearing of signs will be included in the above works.
Once complete, signs can be cleaned.

Action: Clerk to investigate window cleaner / jet wash company.

12. Spraying of herbicides on the playing field.

Council noted that the previous resolution was not made in the correct manner and resolved to appoint David Randall to spray collie moth larvae and woolly aphids on bushes in playing field.

13. Village planters.

Council noted that the previous resolution was not made in the correct manner and resolved a budget of £30 for the re-stocking village planters after theft of plants.

14. Speed signs / VAS units.

Clerk provided different options for new solar units, starting from £2,500 +Vat per unit.

Cllr Mahon reported 2 cats killed in the village in the last month.

Cllr Butler reported that he does see cars slowing for the signs.

RH advised originally the units were mobile and moved around the village.

Council discussed white lining pinch points by the village signs as a cheap visual interrupter.

Council resolved to move the Barton Hill unit back to the top to deter incoming traffic and to revisit this once some of the other projects were complete.

15. Bend in road signage – Fornham St Genevieve.

Clerk provided options for new lit-up bend sign between £4,100 & £4,600 +Vat (with solar).

Cllr Rushman unsure if solar will work due to large trees and direction.

Council agreed this was a priority item.

Action: Clerk to share details with Cllr Hopfesnsperger to liaise with SCC Highways for site visit and input on location, trigger speeds, exact design, what licenses will be required etc., as well as potential funding.

16. Gov.uk domain address and emails for Cllrs.

Council resolved to approve a budget of £500 to move to a gov.uk domain for all emails and website.

17. Proposal to combine the two Fornham Parish Councils to create one Parish Council covering the three Fornhams.

Council discussed the idea that combining creates a stronger force, potentially with its own neighbourhood plan, offering greater weight and influence when the new local plan is put forwards.

With devolution and LGR, more powers will be available to parish councils, and councils will either rise to that or possibly lose out, even fail. Combining resources, budgets etc. has benefits, greater pool for Cllrs and skills too. All Fornhams struggling with same key issues.

Council resolved to invite FAS PC to their September meeting to discuss further.

18. Bugle Advertising

No invoices have been raised for 2025 advertising period, income circa. £2800.

Council resolved for Locum Clerk to invoice advertisers.

19. Parish Matters.

Weekly & monthly H&S inspection report.

Cllr Rushman completes basic weekly checks for insurance purposes and has never seen the detailed monthly reports from WSC.

Council noted all items low risk, but concerned that none were being rectified.

Council resolved that Cllr Rushman/Cllr Butler continue the weekly checks (until further clarification can be sought), but use the monthly report to begin to identify some of the quick fixes and repairs.

20. Councillors reports and items for future.

21. Correspondence.

- i. Resident email re: spraying on the field, charity minutes, APM minutes.
Item partly covered under items 12 & 13. Clerk confirmed that the King George Playing Field is a charity and as such trustee meetings and minutes are not actually public domain. Clerk now has reports to be able to create APM minutes.
- ii. Bugle advertiser email: re missing invoice.
Covered under item 18.
- iii. Resident re: obscured speed limit signs.
Clerk responded that works are planned.
- iv. Resident email re: path form Barton Hill to Tollgate.
Clerk responded that works are planned.
- v. Resident emails re: City Fibre pavement cleaning in St Andrews Drive, PCSO visit and bank accounts.
Covered in Public Forum.
- vi. Email from All Saints Resort re. verbal abuse.
Covered in Public Forum.
- vii. Email form litter pickers re: more bags.
Cllr Last actioned.
- viii. Email from SALC Payroll services re: payroll charges increase.
Council noted.
- ix. Email from the Circuit re: defib registration.
Clerk to action and share details with Cllr Mahon and defib team.

Council resolved to change the date of the next meeting, to be held on Thursday 4th September 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting closed to the public 9.52pm.

To be signed by the Chairman at the next meeting of the Parish Council, Thursday 4th September.

Signed: *Clive Last*

Date: 4th September, 2025

Fornham St Martin cum St Genevieve Parish Council - September Meeting

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In attendance: Locum Clerk Justin Hook (JH), Hannah Cuthbertson, All Saints Resort (HC) and 5 members of the public

PUBLIC FORUM

Resident from Lark Valley Drive

Raised concerns over hedges along the Lark Valley Path growing high and overhanging his garden. He has a 2m hedge inside this, but these hedges are up and above, and overhanging his property. They have been inspected by SCC but do not meet the requirement for work.

Council suggested resident has always had the right to trim them back to his boundary, but at his own cost.

ACTION: Clerk to liaise with SCC / Rebecca Hopfensperger (RH) to see if anything further can be done to escalate.

David Yates from the church shared the following updates:

After complaints, the foot paths on the Fairways estate were finally jet washed, into the roads. A further formal complaint led to two road sweeps. The gulleys have since been cleaned and the weed sprayer has been round.

Hannah Cuthbertson from All Saints Resort shared the following updates:

There was an understanding that some of the extras at the lodge site would be allowed under permitted development, but were not, hence the applications for variations. After some kit was stolen and tee's vandalised, the gates and CCTV were deemed appropriate measures.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Chairs welcome & apologies for absence.
The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting, especially Cllr Richard Nicholls and Cllr Derek Brown, Chair and Vice Chair from Fornham All Saints Parish Council.
Apologies received and accepted from the Clerk who is on sick leave, Cllr Mahon, County Cllr Rebecca Hopfensperger & District Cllr Sarah Broughton.
2. To receive any Declarations of Members' Interest.
None received.
3. Approve and adopt two sets of minutes from Council meeting 24th July.
Council resolved to approve the two sets of minutes and the Chair signed them.
4. To receive County & District Councillors reports.
None received.
5. To welcome members of Fornham All Saints Parish Council, and to discuss the potential of combining the two Fornham Parish Councils to create one Parish Council covering the three Fornhams. Councils to discuss benefits, possible pitfalls and next steps moving forwards.

The Chair introduced the notion of merging the three Fornham Parish Councils into one new Council, responsible for the three villages. Both current Parish Councils had spoken warmly of the idea and a next step was for both councils to invite the other council to their meeting to allow open and transparent discussion. In line with Local Government Reorganisation, joining

the parishes ought make them more streamlined and productive, with new powers available and more authority potentially fed down from the new unitary authorities.

Cllr Rishman suggested together we are stronger and to keep things simple, matching the notion of combined unitary authorities. He praised Fornham All Saints (FAS) for the way in which they are making their village look more presentable, and how FSMSM is looking a little untidy, and agreed the sharing of knowledge and ideas would be good.

Cllr Last mentioned the benefit of scales of economy. He was very keen to be as open and transparent with these talks, having engaged with a contact at WSC. There will be a second meeting in FAS. The idea is not to amalgamate the villages, but create an authority that operates over the top, giving more 'oomph' when dealing with SCC, and more say on local issues, esp. planning. WSC approved the Local Plan on 14th July and immediately ruled for a December reconsult. The proposed 765 homes per year in West Suffolk increased significantly to 1200 new homes per year. 55% of those will be in/around Bury and as the closest villages to BSE, it becomes a major issue to us, so it really is time to be pulling together. The previously rejected proposal for a settlement of 1200 homes on Hall Farm will no doubt be put forward again.

Cllr Rushman added that a lot of the new Cllrs were businesspeople, and that previously not much was done, but the new council is very forward thinking and wants to see progress. Spending is being reviewed, and many of the spends are similar and could be amalgamated. Planning, especially with regards to All Saints Resort, would also be easier.

Cllr Nichols (FAS) understood all the points, and suggested FAS were open to the idea. Streamlining, economies of scale, common purchase power and sharing ideas, all cited as benefits, but also conscious of potential backlash from residents who don't like change. He felt there was a lot of merit to the idea.

Cllr Brown (FAS) had mixed feelings and initially thought to keep them individual, but identified struggles in FAS to fill vacancies and sometimes be quorate for meetings, with little or no interest for new Cllrs. One more Cllr vacancy could cause the council to fall over so he is keen to stay and make a positive difference. He could see the value of shared information and economies of scale, plus a greater pool of Cllrs with time, energy and enthusiasm.

Cllr Last added that the PC has a duty to local businesses as well as residents, including the pubs the hotel, cafes, the business parks, and sometimes there must be compromise between residents and businesses. Would a bigger authority attract more interest?

Cllr Brown added that a bigger area would create a bigger agenda, therefore longer meetings. The Clerk advised that potentially there would be committees created i.e. planning or finance, which then meet separately and either make decisions or report finding back to full council.

In summary, both councils to continue to consider. FAS to invite FSMSG to their meeting on October 21st, and all meetings / minutes etc to be shared online for full transparency.

ACTIONS: Clerk to arrange invite to October meeting in FAS, contact WSC to enquire about get out clauses if, for example after two years it wasn't working, create an indicative combined budget to present to both councils, arrange a meeting with Ben Smith of WSC.

David Yates from the church added that for 25 years (until 2 years ago) the two village churches had operated in such a way with combined PCC, one council, two churches, and that it all worked very well.

6. Banking update.

The Locum Clerk now has full access to the banking, and has changed the mailing address and updated emails etc. Former Cllr, Naomi Steward has been removed from the mandate as has the Clerk temporarily, whilst on sick leave.

7. Planning applications for consideration;
- i. DC/25/1245/VAR. Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of DC/23/0622/VAR to enable the use of amended drawings which illustrate additional essential infrastructure installed at the site (drawings 519BPE1, 519P1, 519P2, 519P3, 519P4 and 519P5). All Saints Hotel, The Street, Fornham St Genevieve, IP28 6JQ.
Council showed disappointment at the principal of retrospective applications, preferring a more robust full initial application.
Cllr Rushman questioned the conditions that the lodges were for holiday makers not the commercial use they are being contracted as.
The Master Plan was discussed, not being a complete document.
HC advised that it is a working plan, with new ideas as the hotel reacts to growth.
They now employ 150 staff and have a 92% occupancy, with gym membership rising from 600 members to 1200, hence the plans keep evolving. What they are seeing though is that these visitors are venturing out and spending money in the locality i.e. 3 Kings, Lucys.
Council resolved to APPROVE the variations.
 - ii. DC/25/1290/FUL. Planning application - a. workshop extension, b. detached single storey building for car valet services.
Lancaster BMW, Thetford Road, Fornham St Martin, IP31 1SX.
Council resolved to APPROVE this application.
 - iii. DC/25/1247/FUL. Planning application - two walls at entrance of site and steel entrance gates.
All Saints Hotel, The Street, Fornham St Genevieve, IP28 6JQ.
Council resolved a vote of NO COMMENT on this application.
8. Finance.
Council to consider and approve the following;
- i. **Council resolved to approve outstanding invoices & payments.**
 - ii. Council noted payments received for July & August.
 - iii. **Council resolved to approve the bank reconciliation for July & August.**
 - iv. **Council reviewed and resolved to approve the budget vs spend to date.**
9. Highways, footpaths and trees.
- i. Action on overgrown pathways in the village.
Clerk has received three quotes for the works:
Wayne Jarvis & Sons - £4,850 + Vat for the main stretch and day rate £700+Vat for smaller items (est. 2-3 days)
Top Garden (recommended by RH) - £1280 +Vat
DM Tree & Landscaping - £5650 +Vat
The Clerk advised that Wayne Jarvis is SCC approved and that Top Garden is currently working for Great Barton PC. The Clerk has walked the jobs with the other two contractors, but not Top Garden.
Council resolved to appoint Top Garden to do the works, based on a site visit with the Clerk to clarify spec and expectations as well as approval from SCC.
 - ii. Highways signage audit and cleaning plan.
Council resolved to defer until the major hedge work is complete, then review.
10. Bend in road signage – Fornham St Genevieve.
The Clerk shared email correspondence between SCC Highways and RH, asking RH to raise a customer report, so that SCC Speed & Safety Team could be involved.
The question was raised if the junction could have cats eyes to make more visible at night.
ACTION: Clerk to liaise with RH for direct contact for Speed & Safety Team.

11. Clerks update

- i. Defib & The Circuit registration – new stickers for unit
Defib now registered with The Circuit, Cllr Mahon on board. **ITEM CLOSED.**
 - ii. VAS batteries & relocation
New batteries purchased from Amazon, much cheaper than direct, unit moved and new batteries working well. **ITEM CLOSED.**
Clerk advised an agreement had been made with Matthew Kemsley to pay him £75 per year towards the cost of charging the VAS batteries. This was paid in 2023, missed in 2024 and unpaid 2025 also.
Council resolved to continue this arrangement for 2024 & 2025.
 - iii. Gov.uk domain & email update
Domain set up and Clerk to help Cllrs get their emails going. Next steps to phase out gmail account and move website onto new domain.
 - iv. Bugle advertising
Invoices sent, over £1400 already received. **ITEM CLOSED.**
 - v. Website update
Clerk has been making little tweaks to make the website more appealing, removing old content and making more of the news section. A bigger project is required to improve functionality and have a complete overhaul.
 - vi. Traffic light on Tollgate
Clerk Reported and since been cut. **ITEM CLOSED.**
 - vii. Pavement issues bottom of Barton Hill, and bus stop by BMW garage
Clerk has raised issues, no improvements as yet. Unrelated, but it looks like the landowner has trimmed some of the hedging along the pavement opposite BMW.
12. Volunteering group
Council to discuss setting up a volunteer group, to carry out minor works around the village. Clerk advised that a number of villagers responded to the Bugle advert to become part of a volunteering group.
The SCC Community Self Help Scheme gives access to training so that works can be carried out on the Highways, which then also gives insurance cover. Free PPE is available, as well as monies for tools and equipment purchase.
ACTION: Clerk to look at dates for training.
13. Grass cutting and maintenance throughout the village and King Georges playing field.
Council to try and understand who is responsible for what, what is being done and at what cost.
WSC are cutting the playing field at a cost of £1567.76 for 12 cuts in 2025.
Tilbrooks are maintaining the roundabout, verges around and verges down from the roundabout to the Woolpack, price is meant to include basal growth, at £591.30 per month (17 cuts per annum).
Clerk advised that Top Garden had also previously quoted for both of these works.
Council resolved to have a full review in 2026 before the next grass cutting season begins, to include regular maintenance works as well.
14. Parish Matters.
- i. Weekly & monthly play park inspection reports.
Council to receive update and discuss procedure moving forwards - Clerk currently sending monthly report to Cllr Rushman, and Cllr Rushman completing weekly visual inspections.
Council discussed monthly WSC reports and weekly visual reports completed by Cllrs. The visual reports were not a requirement by the insurance, but seen as a good practice.

Council resolved to review the monthly report at meetings and to carry out and record fortnightly visual inspections.

Cllr Rushman has already visited site with a handyman to review some of the required works.

Cllr Butler suggested creating a sinking fund for the improvement works to the playground.

The Clerk advised that there is already £2,000 in the reserves earmarked for playground maintenance.

It was suggested to consider removing the trim trail, as that is where much of the rotten timbers are, and it appears unused.

ACTION: Clerk to add to October agenda.

15. NJC Salary Pay Award 2025/26.

Council to discuss revised NJC pay scales for Clerk and Locum Clerk. Scale 25 increasing from £18.72 to £19.32 per hour, effective from 1st April 2025.

Council resolved to approve the increase to the Clerk and Locum Clerks pay scale, backdated to 1st April.

16. Remembrance Day

Council to discuss the purchase of a wreath, on behalf of the Parish Council and responsibility for laying it.

The church would invite council to the service, where an opportunity is given to lay a wreath.

Council resolved to purchase a wreath.

17. Councillors reports and items for future agenda.

- i. Speeding in the village – Cllr Mahon
No report given.

18. Correspondence.

- i. Tree felling on the golf course
Clerk advised resident that a tree felling license was in place.
- ii. Notice boards & All Saints Master Plan
Clerk advised resident he was responsible for notice boards and forwarded the All Saints Master Plan.
- iii. Thanks from the Church, noted.
- iv. Thanks from the Village Hall, noted.
- v. Thanks from the Ladies Club, noted.
- vi. Speeding in the village
Ongoing communication following on from Police attendance in the village.
- vii. Broken noticeboard
Clerk visited site, no visible issues.
- viii. High level field gate not being locked and damage to gate
Cllr Last & Cllr Rushman attended. Council do not appear to have keys to the high-level barrier.
ACTION: Clerk to investigate.
- ix. Resident letter concerning councils donation to the church, and not spending on pavements etc in the village.
David Yates confirmed that every penny has to be raised in the village and that no money is received from the church commissioners.
Cllr Butler stated that the village church is a big part of village life and that the council is right to support it.
Cllr last had sent a written response.

19. Date of next meeting.

Next meeting to be held on Thursday 9th October 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting closed to the public 9.58pm.

To be signed by the Chairman at the next meeting of the Parish Council, Thursday 9th November.

Signed:

Date:

DRAFT

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.

Or just come to listen and see what goes on behind the scenes in your village.

Email the Clerk for more info: clerk@fsmg-pc.gov.uk

Church News

By David Yates

The last Book Sale Coffee and Cakes of the year, on 6th September, raised £780, with thanks to everyone who supported and helped. We were pleased to see many of our regular visitors, and some new ones from FSM, Bury and surrounding areas, both enjoying searching out books from possibly our biggest stock ever, with some 105 boxes, about 2300 books, of a wide variety from so many donors who keep on supplying them, together with some jigsaws, all with our grateful thanks, and then enjoying some light refreshments over coffee and chat with friends, or maybe making some new ones, possibly new neighbours even! Much thanks to the bakers, makers and suppliers of the many cakes, sausage rolls and filled buns, with the servers who handed them out. The next, and final one this year, is planned for Saturday 15th November.

The SHCT Ride and Stride on Saturday 13th September was well supported, with Heather Long doing the striding this year around 15 Bury churches, with our thanks and appreciation. We welcomed 14 visiting riders to us. £610 was raised in sponsorships, to support the church and the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust, who give grants. St Martin was just 1 of the 4 St Martin churches participating, out of the 650 involved.

These fund-raising events help considerably to maintain the church building and churchyard, particularly in view of the latest Quinquennial (5 yearly) inspection carried out by the Diocesan Architect, requiring general maintenance costs of some £5000. All this, together with the continuous costs of running the church, for the weekly services alternating on Sundays and Tuesdays, and weddings and funerals (baptisms are free) These costs are predominantly raised by churchgoers and the many in the village who want to see the church and churchyard adequately maintained and available to future generations. It has been said that we are the current custodians to achieve this to continue its place here in our village for nearly 700 years now.

A misconception that the Church Commissioners support parish churches is not the case.

The Guild of Ringers are forming a band of ringers at FSM, and we would love to hear from anyone interested in starting the necessary

training and get in tune!

Weekly practice sessions have commenced on Tuesday evenings with our new highly qualified and experienced Tower Captain, Deborah Blumfield, and she is now training 4 new volunteers. Later in the year she hopes to take on 4 more applicants, for our newly restored set of 8 bells.

That's after she has completed her mammoth bike ride in September from Lands' End to John O'Groats, 1000 miles in 12 days, to raise valuable sponsorship finance for Cancer Research, for thanks after her own experience.

The ringing at last year's Remembrance Day was especially welcomed and suitable, already planned to repeat again this year on Sunday 9th November, and we hope many will join us to support this national commemoration.

We will be pleased to welcome the Guild for their AGM on 11th October, with an Evensong.

At the time of writing, we look forward to our Harvest service on 12th October, to dress the church with fruit and vegetable and flowers to celebrate the joys of Creation. The fresh produce will be donated after to Fornham House, and the tinned and dry stuff to Gatehouse, as usual.

And then the Remembrance Day on 9th November, joined by the Parish Council who will lay their wreath at the War Memorial alongside the church's to remember especially the 15 fallen and pray for peace in so many places in the world that do not have that at the moment.

And then our own Saint Martin, Patron Saint of Vintners, whose Feast Day is 11th November, set on the day of his death in AD 397.

And, not to be left out, maybe we should also be celebrating St Edmunds Day on 20th November, to remember our original Patron Saint for over 4 centuries, after, as King Edmund of East Anglia he was killed by the Vikings in AD 869 and made Saint.

Speed checks are being carried out regularly on the main road though the village again by the Police, with some drivers of cars and vans caught exceeding the 30-mph limit by some margin. Over the last few months many people have noticed this, particularly at morning and late afternoon peak times.

Some have said they have been overtaken when abiding by 30 mph.

An accident occurred some time ago when 2 cars were driving through when the leading car had to stop due to a parked car, and the one behind ran into it. It occurred as lots of people were leaving the church after a funeral, for a young man killed in a road accident. Apparently in some areas regular speed checks have resulted in a much-reduced recording, and prosecuting, of speeding drivers. The VAS (vehicle activated sign) units installed by the Parish Council around the village show the speeds, and are effective, generally, to encourage drivers to slow down, but not all, who will be booked.

The 100 Club winners are:

October	1st	£30 Helen Snazell	no. 29
	2nd	£20 Val Allen	no. 16
	3rd	£10 Mary Lawrence	no. 63
November	1st	£30 Jo Woods	no. 82
	2nd	£20 Maureen Groves	no. 30
	3rd	£10 Lance Gardner	no. 67

Thanks to them, and everyone in the club for supporting the church in this way.

With the magazine now bi-monthly, the next one is December – January 2026, and then that's another year over, and quite busy it has been, so far.

Any suggestions to be included, please let me know.

Lark Valley and North Bury Team Memorial Service

This year this service, at which all those whose funerals have been taken across the Lark Valley and North Bury Team during the last year are named, and may have a candle lit in their memory, will take place on **Sunday the 26th October at 3pm** at All Saints Church in Bury St Edmunds.

A photograph of a large, ornate bell tower interior. The focus is on a large, dark metal bell hanging from a wooden frame. The background shows stone walls and Gothic-style windows. The text 'Give Us A Ring' is overlaid in large white letters.

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Village Hall Diary

Activity	Date	Times
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The Avenue Jordan: 07555 603340	Every Tuesday	10:00am - 4:00pm
Teaming Up Jordan: 07555 603340	Every Tuesday	6:00pm to 9:00pm
Stitch Group	First Wednesday	10:00am - 4:00pm
Ladies Club	Third Wednesday	7:00pm - 10:00pm
Mary's Quilters Mary: 01284 700101	Fourth Wednesday	10:00am - 4:00pm
Thursday Group	Every Thursday	10:00am - 3:00pm
Weavers	First Friday	10:00am - 4:00pm
Starz 2	Fourth & Fifth Friday	10:00am - 4:00pm
Whist chrisbird2370@gmail.com	Every Friday	7:00pm - 10:00pm

Party? Club Meeting? Exhibition?

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Lynne Quelch

07552 061489 - fornhamhall@aol.com

or

Maureen Hockett, Committee Chair

07887 778353 - maureenl.hockett@aol.com

Bury Abbey Rotary Club Celebrates success at Suffolk Community Awards

Members of the Bury Abbey Rotary Club were thrilled to attend the Suffolk Community Award ceremony held at The Food Museum in Stowmarket on September 23rd. The evening was a momentous occasion as the club was honoured with the prestigious Event Organiser of the Year award for their outstanding Classic Car Show.

The award, presented by Larking Gower, included a trophy, a certificate, and a £50 prize, recognising the club's dedication and hard work in organising this beloved community event. Throughout the evening, a total of seventeen awards were presented, celebrating the achievements of young people, community members, and volunteers who have made significant contributions to the region.

Mark Murphy MBE served as the compère for the event, engaging the audience with interviews, including a spotlight on Phil Peters, the co-ordinator of the Classic Car Show. This annual event, held in the picturesque grounds of Culford School near Bury St Edmunds, has become a staple in the community, attracting car enthusiasts and families alike.

Now in its 11th year, the Classic Car Show has successfully raised over £200,000 for local charities, making a meaningful impact on the lives of many in the area. This year's recognition marks a significant milestone for the Rotary Club of Bury St Edmunds Abbey, as it is the first time they have received a Suffolk Community Award.

Melanie Lesser

Melanie Lesser, Bury Abbey Rotary Club President

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Celebrate St Edmund's Day in Style

Join Us for the Annual St Edmund's Day Fundraising Dinner on November 19th, 2025!

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Taking place on November 19th, 2025 at 6.45pm, this black-tie event presents a unique opportunity to engage with our community while experiencing an evening filled with elegance, inspiration, and philanthropy. Each table seats 10 guests and features a sumptuous three-course dinner curated by top local chefs, along with captivating entertainment and an exclusive auction. All for just £85 per head. We can also offer a limited number of tables for 8, and we can accommodate individual bookings to complete tables.

This year's dinner promises to be a fantastic occasion for networking, where local businesses can connect and build relationships, all while supporting our charitable initiatives. With around 300 attendees expected from the community, it's the perfect chance to entertain clients, celebrate achievements, or simply enjoy a delightful night out among friends and neighbours.

We are excited to announce that Mark Murphy MBE, the well-known radio personality, is our keynote speaker and will give a talk, 'It shouldn't happen to a radio presenter.'

We also encourage our local enterprises to consider our sponsorship packages, which include opportunities such as the drinks reception, table decorations, flowers, and signage—each providing excellent visibility and support for our community efforts.

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Black Bean Soup with Salsa

by Pigeon Cottage Kitchen

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Serves 4...

- 250g black beans, soaked overnight in plenty of cold water
- 3 slices of streaky bacon, finely chopped into lardons (leave out if you're a vegetarian but it does taste better with the bacon)
- 1 onion, peeled and sliced
- 2 medium carrots, chopped
- 1 stick of celery, chopped
- 1 large clove of garlic, crushed
- 1 teaspoon of cumin seeds, roasted and finely ground
- 1.2 litres of chicken or vegetable stock
- 1 teaspoon of Tabasco
- 15g fresh coriander, stalks for the soup, the rest for the salsa
- 2 tablespoons of olive oil
- 1 lime
- 2 tomatoes, chopped into small pieces
- 1 small red onion, peeled and sliced
- 1 green chilli, seeds removed, finely chopped
- 1 dessertspoon of extra-virgin olive oil
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

To make...

- Heat the oil in a large saucepan, add the bacon and cook for about 5 minutes. Add the onion, garlic, celery, carrot and coriander stalks and cook on a gentle heat for another 10 minutes.
- Drain the beans and add to the pan with the stock, roasted cumin and tabasco. Bring to a gentle simmer and cook at this low heat for about an hour and a half with the lid on.
- Make the salsa for later. In a medium-sized bowl, add the sliced red onion, the juice of half a lime, the chopped tomato, coriander, extra-virgin olive oil and chilli. Mix thoroughly and set aside. Add a pinch of salt and pepper. The lime should mellow out the raw onion.
- Once the beans are soft and cooked through, whizz with a hand blender until smooth. Season and return to a gentle heat.
- Serve the soup in warm bowls, top with a spoonful of the salsa.

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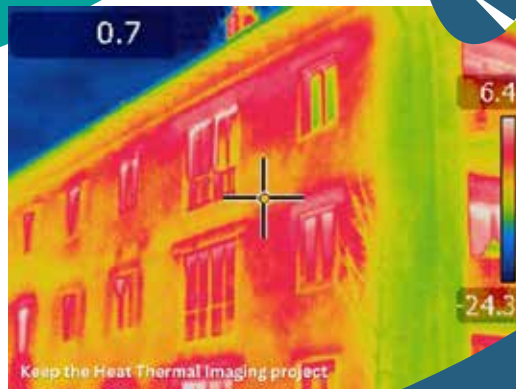
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Great British Insulation Scheme	Government backed support on single insulation measures		
Boiler Upgrade Scheme	Grant to replace fossil fuel heating system		
ECO4 – Energy Company Obligation Grants	Grants to implement energy efficient measures		
Warm Homes Discount Scheme	£150 payment to help with high energy bills		
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Warm Homes Suffolk	Heating upgrades for low income homes		
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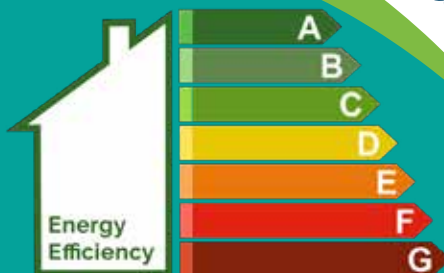


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Fornham Garden Club

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On 9th September the Fornham Garden Club were lucky enough to have a return visit from Chris Wiley who is MD of Sow Successful and is well known for his connection with Bury in Bloom where Chris has switched from bedding plants to perennials as they are longer lived and therefore more sustainable. He is an organic gardener and has been supported in the past by Roy Lancaster and Peter Seabrook and has also won the best new plant 2022, a sweet pea.

Chris informed the meeting that there were many ways of carrying out sustainable gardening such as:

- buying established perennials or bare root plants
- using long flowering plants in baskets and feed them well
- use rain water not mains
- use peat free compost
- swap petrol mowers for electric or solar powered
- no dig gardening - mulch instead; leaf mulch is excellent as good preparation of soil is key
- use biological controls eg. ladybirds, ordering their larvae on line

There are alternative growing materials such as bamboo pots, rubber seed and plug mats and also coir pots. Also it is good to recycle plastic trays and pots for as long as possible and then dispose of them at donation centres. Chris gave advice on buying native and nectar rich plants and there are also low allergy plants for hay fever sufferers that produce less pollen.

There were some other good ideas:

- say no to herbicides, use cardboard to suppress weeds
- use inner rolls from toilet rolls and egg boxes to grow things in
- pull up a paving slab and plant something

- buy fruit and veg in season only, to save air miles
- buy self-watering containers

Chris ended his very informative talk by announcing that Bury St Edmunds had retained its gold status in Anglia in Bloom. Incidentally, did you know that the flower of Suffolk is the Oxlip?

Our next speaker on 14th October is Jude Law talking of A Plantsman's Garden - Fullers Mill.

Anyone interested in information regarding Fornham Garden Club please contact Ian Robertson, Chairman, on ijfrob@gmail.com or 07876 644 611.

Most of our meetings are from 7pm on the **second Tuesday of each month at Fornham All Saints Community Centre - come and join us!**

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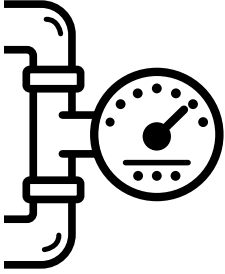
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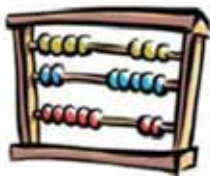
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