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#### **Parish Council Website**

The website <https://littleellinghampc.info> contains Minutes, Agendas, past newsletters and financial information regarding the Parish Council. It is regularly updated.

#### **Dates for your diary**

##### **Parish Council Meetings**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020 - 7.30pm, via Zoom

##### **Village Litter Pick**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020 – 2pm at Old School Hall

# Little Ellingham News



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### **Parish Council Meetings**

The next meeting of the Council will be on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020, via Zoom**, beginning at 7.30pm. Parishioners are welcome to attend all Council meetings, where they are allowed to speak, but only during the Open Forum, which is for a short time usually at the start of the meeting. Look out for the agenda displayed during the previous week.

### **Your Parish Council Needs You!!!**



It is with regret that we sadly have two vacancies on the Parish Council, thus meaning that we are in need of two new councillors to join our team. If this is something you wish to explore please contact the Parish Clerk or the Chairman for more information.

## Defibrillator for the Parish



At a recent meeting the Parish Council agreed to purchase a defibrillator to be installed at the Village Hall. It believes that this life saving equipment is needed in the Parish for if the worst was to ever happen and help save a life.

It is using some funds from a grant it recently received from the Norfolk Community Foundation, however, that does not cover the full cost of the equipment. If any parishioner would be willing to make a donation to the Parish Council towards this equipment then please make contact with the Parish Clerk.

The equipment has been delivered and is now installed at the Village Hall. Training will be arranged for sometime in the coming months and this will be advertised to Parishioners once we have a date. If you are interested in the training, again please let the Parish Clerk know.

The Parish Council are so pleased that it has been able to access this life saving equipment for the Parish and believes it to be a real asset to the Community.

## Update on SAM2 (Speed Sign)

We now have a month's data from the SAM which was positioned capturing traffic coming into the village from Kerry Foods. It is early days in terms of analysing the data and it is difficult to draw any early comparisons but we will aim to share this with residents in each newsletter. Once we recommence Community Liaison meetings with Kerry Foods we will also share the information with the team there.

It is surprising to see the number of vehicles going through the village each day at an average of over 400 a day during August. Shocking also to see that the fastest car captured at 45mph a good 15mph above the speed limit on a dangerous corner.

The Parish Council is currently working with both Rocklands and Great Ellingham Parish Council to understand how we can use this data going forward and we will keep you updated.

ATTLEBOROUGH ROAD WESTBOUND  
(FROM KERRY DIRECTION)

START	1/8/20		
FINISH	31/8/20		
TOTAL VEHICLES	12, 118		
AVERAGE VEHICLES DAILY	419		
MORNING PEAK	1100-1200		
AFTERNOON PEAK	1600-1700		
MAX SPEED (DATE)	45MPH 9/8/20 @ 1755HRS		
0-30 MPH	11,264		
%	92.9%		
30-35 MPH	799		
%	6.6%		
	32.8 MPH		
35-40 MPH	51		
%	0.4%		
40-45 MPH	4		
%	0.1%		
AVERAGE SPEEDER	32.8MPH		

## Little Ellingham Village Hall Needs You!!



As everyone will understand, Covid-19 restrictions have prevented the village hall being used since the lockdown was introduced in late March. We had hoped to start taking bookings again once the lockdown was eased, carrying out a Covid-19 risk assessments and putting in place appropriate safety measures. Unfortunately, the latest government announcement means that groups of no more than 6 are allowed, everyone must wear a face covering, unless seated to eat or drink, and the hall must close at 10pm at the very latest. On balance, we not think the investment we would need to make in signage and other safety provision can be justified when such tight restrictions are in place and when demand for bookings, not surprisingly, is very low.

Obviously, we will keep the situation under review in the coming months, but in the meantime is anyone would like to become involved in the future management of the hall once some form of day to day normality returns, do please get in touch with Sarah Drewery who is taking on chairmanship of the Village Hall Management Committee. She would love to hear from potential volunteers, and can be contacted on [sl.grout@btopenworld.com](mailto:sl.grout@btopenworld.com) or phone number 01953 851440.

## Covid-19

### Stay alert

We can all help control the virus if we all stay alert. This means you should:

- Stay at home as much as possible
- Work from home if you can
- Limit contact with other people
- Keep you distance from people not in your household (2 metres apart where possible)
- Wash your hands regularly

Do not leave home if you or anyone in your household has symptoms.

### Dogs in the countryside, Farmland and Little Ellingham

- Keep your dog under close control.
- You and your dog should both keep to the line of the path.
- Always carry a dog poo bag and clean up after your dog both in the countryside and on pavements. Fouling is illegal, including in the Churchyard and the Common!
- Please keep your dog on a lead when livestock are in fields.



## **Kerry Foods Complaints Process**

It is important that any parishioners who experience an issue with the Kerry Foods operation, report their concerns on the phone number previously communicated (01953 852600).

These complaints are logged by Kerry Foods and reviewed by Breckland Council to understand the impact on our local community. It also ensures that Kerry Foods and your Parish Council can address the issues which are important to our parishioners.

We know that some parishioners also email Tom Connell at Kerry Foods with issues and this route can also be used to log any concerns. Tom Connell has recently retired and therefore you can now email Paul Dauny at [Paul.Dauny@kerryfoods.co.uk](mailto:Paul.Dauny@kerryfoods.co.uk)

To ensure the Parish Council has full visibility of concerns raised, we would ask that you email a brief summary of the issue to the Parish Clerk or Chairman on the following email addresses. We are keeping a record of all complaints which we will use to discuss and follow up actions with both Kerry Foods and Breckland Council.

Parish Clerk – [little.ellingham@gmail.com](mailto:little.ellingham@gmail.com)

Chairman – [crebisz7@googlemail.com](mailto:crebisz7@googlemail.com)

## **How to report Highway problems**

Residents can report problems relating to the Highway online via Norfolk County Council's website at the address below: -

<https://apps.norfolk.gov.uk/HighwaysDefect/>

Things such as pot holes, pavements, trees and verges and flooding can be reported. Please do not assume that someone has already reported the issue you come across. You can also check the website above to see if it has already been reported.



## **Little Ellingham Parish Council**

There will be a, socially distanced, Litter Pick on:

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020, 2 to 4 pm**

Residents who wish to take part and to help clean up the four roads leading out of Little Ellingham are invited to meet at the Village Hall at 2pm when equipment will be issued.

We look forward to seeing you there!