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Martham Parish Council News

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Planning Applications

Applications received from Great Yarmouth Borough Council;

06/16/0281/O—Three detached dwellings with domestic garages together with vehicle and pedestrian access from Alder Avenue at Selwyn House, 28 The Green.

There are still issues at the planning department currently at Great Yarmouth, and no other planning applications or determinations have been received by the Parish Council.

Ponds

The Parish Council is currently focusing on the ponds in centre of the the village, which take considerable ongoing maintenance.

In line with advice from many conservationists and the Canal and River Trust the Parish Council would ask that the ducks on the ponds are not fed bread, and feeding is limited.

Bread is not a suitable food for ducks, it can cause a deformity known as 'Angle Wing', it encourages rats to the area causing pest control issues, and also affects the bacteria and algae in the ponds causing larger issues within the waterway network.

Duck food is available in nearby businesses and other foods are more suitable such as defrosted frozen peas or corn kernels, grains, or halved grapes.

Parish Council News

The Parish Council went to poll in the election for the first time in many years, with 15 candidates standing.

The Council was sad to loose Cllrs Tony Gates, Paul Hurkett and Paddy Manifold and welcomes Cllrs Mike Huke, Wendy Llewellyn and Lee Sutton.

Cllr Mark Johnson was voted in as Chair, with Cllr Paul Hooper as Vice-Chair.

As all Councillors are now elected the Council has been able to adopt the 'Power of Competency' giving it opportunities which were previously not available.

The Council still has allotments not taken this year, if you have ambitions to grow your own please contact the Parish Office and talk to the Clerk.

An application has gone into the British Heart Foundation for a defibrillator, and the phone box is now disconnected and can be moved. This will be installed in due course on the Playingfield adjacent to the Parish Council Office.

The Community Gym continues to be well supported at the Community Centre. This takes place four days a week and offers classes led by a personal fitness instructor. The classes are open to everyone, and health conditions can be worked with through a GP Referral system.

Classes are £3.50 each—come along and have a look.

Your Parish Councillors are:

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Paul Hooper	Tel: 748474
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Mark Johnson	Tel: 749749
Wendy Llewellyn	Tel: 07879551470
Vick Smith	Tel: 740448
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Land Registry First Tier Tribunal Case.

This was in court on the, 11th and 12th May at Great Yarmouth.

The judge called for further submissions from both Barristers, and these have now been provided along with additional information requested.

It is anticipated that a decision will be forthcoming within the next two months.