

Hemsby



Herald

Quarterly newsletter of the Hemsby Parish Council

Winter 2009

Wishing all our readers
a very
Happy New Year
and a
Prosperous 2009

Blood Donor Sessions 2009

The Blood Donor service will be available at the Hemsby Village Hall car park on the following dates, from 11.30 until 20.30:

7th April, 11th August and 1st December.

Please note these dates in your diaries

Bingo

The Hemsby Bingo Group
Presents a
Bingo Evening
on
February 6th

At 7 pm
in the Hemsby Village Hall

In aid of Hemsby Village Festival funds

Many Prizes to be won

Don't Forget

More information about Hemsby Village Life & the Hemsby Herald is available on the village web site at

www.hemsbyparishcouncil.org.uk

For information about past and forthcoming Hemsby Parish Events visit our website at

www.hemsbyvillagefestival.org.uk

See also the Hemsby Village blog at **<http://hemsbyvillage.blogspot.com>** for all the latest and most up to date village & events news

Sponsors required

As you know the Parish Council has provided a number of plant/flower beds around the village. These have enhanced the approaches and the general look of the village.

The Parish Council are now seeking sponsors to provide ongoing sponsorship for the maintenance and refurbishment of these beds. This sponsorship will be by way of supplying the funds or plants as necessary, for planting out by others.

Would any interested individuals or Companies please contact Shirley Weymouth, Parish Clerk, Tel: 731625

Errata

Some issues of the Hemsby Herald incorrectly state that the Hemsby Village Festival Committee is presenting a Bingo evening on 6th February.

This should state that the **Hemsby Bingo Group** are presenting the Bingo evening in aid of Village Festival funds. We apologise for the error.

Vacancies

Hemsby Parish Council has a vacancy which requires to be filled as follows:

A vacancy for Parish Councillor has become available and the Council is requesting written submissions from any persons interested in filling this post.

Councillors meet for a maximum of twice a month to discuss planning matters (1st Monday of Month) and general items

SAY NO TO 0870 NUMBERS

Do you realise how much phone calls to many 08 numbers are costing you?

Some companies make money every time you use one of these numbers to ring them. Most mobiles and package deals which offer 'inclusive deals' or 'free minutes' do not include calls to numbers starting 0844, 0845, 1870 or 0871. ~Mobiles also do not include 0800 or 0808 numbers.

Do you know that you do not have to use these numbers to contact companies that only advertise them or even to access the premium 09 numbers?

If you have access to a computer, visit www.saynoto0870.com where you can search for alternative, standard rate or even freephone numbers for loads of companies and organisations.

If you do not have your own computer don't forget that you can get free access at any public library where a number of computers are usually available. Make a list of the 0870 type numbers you usually use and then next time you are in a library, do the research. If you need help with this there will always be someone there who will help you, especially other users.

Why pay more when you don't have to?

affecting the Parish (3rd Monday of Month).

Written applications to be to:

Shirley Weymouth
Clerk to the Parish Council
3 Pedlars Croft
Hemsby NR29 4JX

At Home not Alone 'Total Shopping'

This is a service provided by Norfolk County Council in partnership with other agencies and is available to any who are over 65 years of age or over 50 years of age if referred by Adult Social Services and includes:

- Help with your shopping
- Delivery of your shopping at a time to suit you
- Help unpacking

It is designed to help older people in Norfolk stay independent in their own homes for longer.

For full details and a membership pack contact:

01603 729183



Hemsby Sports/Playing Field Extension

Parishioners have been aware for some time about activity around the existing playing field and Pavilion but, for reasons beyond our control, we have been unable to give any definitive information on developments, however everything can now be made clear.

Hemsby Parish Council's four year goal to set up football pitches and changing rooms was given permission by Yarmouth

Borough Council and was also given a generous shot in the arm by the Football Foundation.

At a ceremony on 15th December, held on the Hemsby Playing Field, the Football Association & Sport England presented cheques to the value of £527,570 as a major contribution to the overall cost of the project.

Tony Wright MP was also at the present at the ceremony, as was Gavin Lemmon from the FA together with a number of Parish Councillors and interested members of the public.

The grants will be used to help build one full size, two junior and five mini football pitches and two official changing rooms on the Waters Lane Playing Fields. Budding footballers will also receive advice from an on-site football development officer.

As well as the football pitches, Hemsby Parish Council hopes the wider community will use the improved facilities on the site.

Lyndon Bevan, Parish Council Vice Chairman, said "This is a massive step forward for the community of Hemsby. We are delighted that we are going to be able to provide such fantastic facilities - not only for local young people but for the whole village."



Progress to date on the Changing rooms

Hemsby Village Festival of Events



As chief executive officer of the Hemsby Village festival and events committee I would like to thank you all for your support with the four events organised this year. First the Festival back in July, The Halloween Spooktacular, The Gunpowder Plot and the lighting of the Christmas Tree.

As a professional Entertainer / DeeJay and Public Relations man for 29 years I thought it was time to put something back into the local community. For many years I pondered with the ideas and finally I decided the time was right back in 2006. These projects and ideas needed a backer and the Hemsby Sports and Social club came through.

I am sure you will know from your own experiences having ideas is one thing but seeing them through from the drawing board to the actual end product is quite different. However finding a sponsor was one thing, but then finding a team of hard working individuals was another. Very quickly a team of individuals were gathered and each and everyone of them has worked very hard in putting my ideas into action. I would like to thank each of them for all their hard work and help, Steve perfect, Peter Eagle, Les Gostling, Della Wallace, Robin Palmer, Jenni Eley, Colin Robinson, Neil Maxwell, Steve Starbuck, Barry Layton and Mark Sage. These people all have such strength and determination to make these events successful. Thank you team.

My sincere thanks also to the Police, Fire services, ambulance and first responders for their support. The Village Hall, Playing field and Parish Council have also supported these events for which I am very grateful.

A special thanks to the Chairman of the Sports and Social Club Mr Mick Bowler for first agreeing to sponsor these events and then working just as hard as the team to get them off the ground. Mick your support has been first

class. Thank you.

The money made at the festival is estimated to be around £ 5000.00. This was raised by different charities who took part. Our own profit was very low, but we paid all our expenses and this gave us the drive to continue. The profit from the Firework display help fund the lighting of the Christmas Tree, and with the added sponsorship of Mel's the Man, Diamond Plumbing and Heating, the TNT Disco and Village Hall and the donation of the tree from Keith Lawson at Scratby Garden centre allows us to develop this project further next year. I hope to have the event start much earlier to include a special carol concert for the elderly folk in the village followed by mince pies and Sherry for them. This year we were able to support both the Harlequins with sponsorship and they also organised the refreshments. St. Mary's Church benefited by organising a raffle and collection. I would also like to thank Hemsby Infant and Primary School for their Choir, The St. Mary's Singers the 901 troop, The Hemsby Harlequins and Father Adrian Ling for officiating. What a star he is!

The profit from the fireworks (approximately £2,000) will also help pay for the next Festival. We have booked Punch and Judy, and a Karaoke for the younger people and headlining the weekend will be Monkey Spanner. The Harlequins we hope will perform and the Rock and Roll Rascals have been booked to perform on the Sunday. We shall also introduce a different theme for the Sunday. Watch this space for details.

There will also be a special event on Easter Monday, details of which will be posted around the village.

Remember these events are only successful if you continue to support them and for the support you have already given us we are very grateful.

On behalf of the entire team may I wish you and all your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Coastal Erosion

Report on visit of the Shadow Health Minister Mark Simmonds (Conservative MP for Boston & Skegness) to hold discussions with Coastal Erosion Groups and Parish Councillors from Winterton, Hemsby and Somerton on Thursday November 20th 2008.

As reported in the Great Yarmouth Mercury, Mark was accompanied by the prospective Conservative Party parliamentary candidate for Great Yarmouth, Brandon Lewis and agent James Dinsdale.

Mark Simmonds has been asked by the Conservative Party to help prepare a manifesto on coastal towns.

The visit started from Scratby where the situation was clearly explained to Mark and he expressed his concern about the situation. He will be making a report to the shadow environmental team. The need for the rock ledge extension was stressed as was the need for a social justice policy. It was also pointed out that as yet there were no contingency plans or 'Plan B' up for discussion for home owners who could be affected by coastal erosion although the Scratby Coastal Erosion Group are urging the Great Yarmouth Borough Council to move forward with this. Mark said that he would pursue this also.

Mark was then driven along the Promenade and the Esplanade to show him the extent of the possible problem area.

The above mentioned group then moved on to the Hemsby Parish office to meet representatives from Winterton, Hemsby and Somerton Parish Council and Winterton Coastal Group representative for a broader discussion on the effects of coastal erosion on the coast north from Great Yarmouth Borough to Winterton which is the responsibility of GYBC. Brandon Lewis said that he would arrange for further visits by senior MP's including John Gummer to create a greater understanding of the potential problems faced by coastal communities.

Strong points were made by the Somerton Parish Councillor regarding the areas further north covered by the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP), and the plans to allow the area to flood. The SMP seemed ignore:

1. The loss of revenue to the government from corporation tax, VAT, employees' income tax, and other taxes if businesses, etc are lost to the sea.
2. Possible long term unemployment benefits for those losing their jobs.
3. Allowances for those older people or those in specialist professions who would not get further employment.
4. Housing for these people who, having lost homes with no compensation, would not be able to afford to buy again.
5. There have been reports in the media about a looming world food crisis, so deliberately losing valuable farmland to the sea, and increasing our food imports, would seem to be inadvisable for a government at this time.
6. It was stressed that by allowing the sea to encroach further inland as far as Potter Heigham, the potential flood risk area would then spread further, possibly as far as Norwich, so people further inland should have no reason to be complacent.

A final point was made that government ministers say one thing, then their departments say quite another in the press, resulting in lack of trust. A copy of the Phil Woolas interview was given to the minister, in which he said to the media that the coast would be protected, and then Chris Smith said the direct opposite on his subsequent appointment.

Also present were:

David Neve (Winterton PC), Terry Byrne (Winterton Coastal Action Group), Brian Barker (Somerton PC), Jim Ward (Hemsby Coastal Erosion), Adam Rossiter (Hemsby Coastal Erosion), Jenni Eley (Hemsby PC)

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Planning Applications
 The Parish Council *cannot* grant or refuse a Planning Application. The Council is consulted on all applications in Hemsby, but can only comment and offer advice. All actual decisions are taken by the Borough Council. No objections were raised unless stated otherwise.

1. Proposed granny annexe, 29 Beach Road	dwelling and ancillary works - Plot 411, The Glebe
2. Change of use of existing owners quarters to new bedrooms with en-suites and new office - The Vineries	6. Proposed building for the storage of grain and machinery, Common Road, Mr King
3. Proposed extension to Sundowner Holiday Park with landscaping enhancements	7. Rear extension, 8 Fallowfield Road
4. Erection of smoking shelter and canopy for smokers, children's play equipment - The bell Public House	8. 49 dwellings, Common road/Martham Road, new pipe drain, etc. Numerous concerns expressed and recommendations forwarded to planning authority.
5. Proposed single storey	9. Maize Maize, Yarmouth Road, extension for another year
	10. Car Boot extension for another year.



Useful Telephone numbers

Bus Enquiries	0845 717273
Citizens Advice Bureau	01493 856665
Crime Stoppers	0800 555111
Fire Safety Advice	0800 9178137
GYBC (all depts)	01493 856100
GYBC (light faults)	01493 846440
Hemsby Dentist	01493 732433
Hemsby Doctors	01493 730449
James Paget Hospital	01493 452452
Police	01493 336200
Non Emergency Police	0845 4564567
Train Enquiries	0345 484950
Village Hall Bookings	01493384228
It's your call	0845 6052222
Transport ~Plus	01603422807
Grt Yarmouth - door to door	01493 332253
Community Transport	01603 223956
or	01603 430594

Remember

Only call 999 in an **EMERGENCY**