

ACLE PARISH COUNCIL

Community News - July 2022

Since the last newsletter in February there has been steady progress towards the capital projects which have been keeping the parish council busy.

Former Barclays Building

It is very exciting to see that the proposed plans to renovate the Former Barclays building into 3 commercial units and offices are underway. WT Design & Construction have been appointed to carry out the building work which will be completed after the renovation of the Chocolate Box and The Brian Grint Centre building.

The parish council have already received interests from various local businesses and are looking forward to seeing the improved building being used within the community soon.

The Chocolate Box

The Chocolate Box newsagents and pet supplies shop will be temporarily relocating to the former Barclays building on Sunday 31st July. They will be open for business the next day.



The Brian Grint Centre

At the side of the Chocolate Box building was the official naming ceremony of The Brian Grint Centre which took place on Saturday 25th June. Brian also known as "Mr Acle" was highly respected for his work within the parish. The centre will be used for community purposes.



Websites

VisitAcle.com

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The current parish councillors are:

Angela Bishop - Chair

Jamie Pizey - Vice-chair

Sally Aldridge

Sarah Carter

Jackie Clover

Barry Coveley

Indra Goodson

Tony Hemmingway

Hannah Jackson

Wendy Kenny

Richard Powell

David Stephenson

The Next Parish Council meetings are on:

Monday, 26th September

Monday, 31st October

Monday, 28th November

All at 7.00pm in the Methodist Church

Residents are always welcome to attend, to raise local issues and concerns. Agendas are published online and on the noticeboard in The Street.



Support

Acle Foodbank has been running for two years now. If you need short-term support with food you can leave a message on 0800 774 7286 or message via Acle & District Foodbank on facebook.

For additional support email:

helphub@broadland.gov.uk or call 01603 430431.

The Norfolk Assistance Scheme helps people who are unable to meet their immediate needs or need practical support to set up home. Call 0344 800 8020 for more details or go to Norfolk.gov.uk

Jubilee Events

The events held to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee, included:

- a Big Band concert on the evening of Friday, 3rd June
- a children's party in the afternoon of Saturday, 4th
- a sing-song and refreshments in the afternoon of Sunday, 5th

All events were a roaring success and enjoyed by many parishioners of all ages. It was also so joyful to see lots of photos of residents sitting on the throne built by Acle & District Men's Shed



Speeding Signs

The councillors were thrilled to receive so many wonderful posters drawn by the children at Acle Primary School and found it very difficult to choose the winners. The winning designs will be put up around the village to remind drivers to keep to the speed limit. Our thanks to the local police officers for going into the school to talk to the children about this.



Public Toilets

There has been some vandalism at the public toilets in the village centre recently. Sadly this was probably done by young people from the village, or friends of local young people. Can you please remind your children that any damage has to be repaired by the parish council, and paid for by the precept which is part of your council tax!

Acle Play Areas

Acle Parish Council received a grant for nearly £10,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund to buy four new pieces of Adult Gym Equipment and a Table Tennis Table which are in the process of being installed at Damgate Lane Play Area. The adult gym equipment is for young people over 140cm and adults. We hope it will be a valuable asset to people who enjoy exercising outdoors.



Acle & District Men's Shed

The Men's Shed committee have been busy revamping the portakabins at the front of Acle Recreation Centre so these are fit for purpose. They now have their own electricity supply. The committee meet socially every Tuesday at The Hermitage Pub at 3pm and work on the portakabins every Tuesday at 10am. All are welcome to be involved.

Land for a New Cemetery

The land for the new cemetery at the top of Pyebush Lane will soon be resurfaced to accommodate a 10 metre access onto the site, hearse turnaround and disabled parking spot. The Bure Valley Conservation Group are hoping to assist the parish council with the planting of some trees and a native hedgerow in the Winter.

Yellow Lines



The lining works were carried out by Norfolk County Council on the 12th June to improve highways safety and to prevent all day parking in the village.

Summer Food & Drinks Market

Every Thursday outside Former Barclays Bank Building from 3pm - 7pm till 4th August. There will be a variety of stalls including cakes, sweets, greengrocers, beer and food vans selling pizza, crepes and BBQ food.

Goodbye and Best Wishes

By the time you read this, our Deputy Clerk, Becky, will have left us and we will have appointed a new deputy clerk. We thank Becky for her hard work and dedication to getting various village projects off the ground in her time with us.