

ACLE PARISH COUNCIL

Community News - November 2022

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The Chocolate Box & Brian Grint Centre

The Parish Council are pleased to inform you that Louisa will be soon moving back into the newly renovated Chocolate Box building; she will be in the building and open for business from Monday 14th November. Please pop in and see Louisa and have look at her fantastic new building.

Works to the Brian Grint Centre are due to finish shortly, alongside the Chocolate Box. For those of you who are not aware, the Brian Grint Centre is the doorway on the side of the Chocolate Box building. This area will house Acle Foodbank, and also has potential to be used as a Community Space. The upstairs space will probably be used for Acle Archive in the short-term.

Former Barclays Building

Renovation works to the former Barclays Building have begun and it is expected to be completed by the end of 2022.

There will be 4 units available to rent; 3 will be retail and the 4th, which is the smaller unit, is likely to be either office space or retail. Marketing of the units will be commencing shortly, please keep an eye out for the rental boards going up. If you are interested in renting one of these prime location spots in the village then please do not hesitate to contact the Deputy Clerk on the email address on the front of this newsletter.

Websites

VisitAcle.com
<https://aclepc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>

The current parish councillors are:

Angela Bishop - Chair
Jamie Pizey - Vice-chair
Sally Aldridge
Sarah Carter
Jackie Clover
Barry Coveley
Indra Goodson
Tony Hemmingway
Wendy Kenny
Richard Powell
David Stephenson

The Next Parish Council meetings are on:

Monday, 28th November
Monday, 12th December
Monday, 30th January
Monday, 27th February

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.

Save the Date.....

The Parish will be holding events on 6th & 7th May 2023 to celebrate the King's Coronation, details to follow.

District Council and Parish Council Elections will be taking place on 4th May 2023. More details will be on our websites in due course.

Graffiti

Unfortunately, there has been some incidents of graffiti in the Village. Please note that the Police have been made aware and are increasing patrols around the village.

Norfolk County Council have been made aware that the Graffiti needs to be removed.

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 now 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.

The Parish have also purchased a Basket Swing for Damgate Lane Play Area, this will be installed in the near future.

Support

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. If you find yourself struggling and need a bit of extra support please do have a look at the website below as the Help Hub are set up to help with a huge variety of problems,

<https://www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/help-hub-1>.

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](https://www.norfolk.gov.uk).

All Norfolk Libraries have been registered as Warm Welcome spaces. If you are struggling during these tough times please go to visit Acle Library, who are doing a fantastic job of providing a Warm & Welcome space for people to take sanctuary. Free Wi-Fi, Computer access and hot drinks are available (during staffed time). They also provide aid packages for people who are in need of assistance.

Report a Problem

Did you know that you can report a Highways problem to Norfolk County Council?

The Highways in the village are owned and managed by Norfolk County Council. If you find any issues such as potholes, problems with public footpaths, flooded roads or pathways, overhanging hedges or bushes, NCC owned streetlights (these are the ones with the yellow labels on) you can report these to Norfolk County Council on <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem>.

The Parish does report these issues as they come across them but of course if more people are reporting them the quicker there are likely to be dealt with.

Introduction of the New Deputy Clerk

I would like to introduce myself, Fiona Richardson, I am the new Deputy Clerk and Assets Manager for Acle Parish Council. I have been in the role since August 2022 and am thoroughly enjoying the variety of of work that is involved in being an Officer for the Parish Council.

I have lived in Acle since a child and know the village extremely well. I am very proud of Acle and am keen to assist the residents where I can.

If there is anything you would like to discuss please send me an email on aclePCdeputyclerk@gmail.com or call 07536 456161. Please note I do work part time and my contactable hours are:

Monday 10.00am to 12.00pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10.00am to 2.30pm