

2025 Annual Parish Meeting

Greeting

- Welcome to all Parishioners and thank you for attending
- This is not a Parish Council Meeting
- This is a meeting organized by the PC for the benefit of the Parishioners
- The meeting is intended to let you know what the Parish Council has been doing for the past 12 months
- And to give the Parishioners the opportunity to raise any issues that they may have
- It is also an opportunity for others to address the meeting

- Apologies from the Chairman Ian Sims who is away on business

Thanks to PC Members

- During the last year there has been changes in the Parish Council Membership which now comprises:
 - ✓ Ian Sims – Chairman
 - ✓ Tracey Yardley – Deputy Chair
 - ✓ Belinda Northey – Member
 - ✓ John Scott – New Member
 - ✓ Steve Anderson – New Member
 - ✓ Miles Claydon – New Member
- I should like to thank:
 - ✓ Annmarie Goldson - Resigned
 - ✓ Gill Chambers - Resigned
- I should also like to thank our Parish Council Clerk
 - ✓ Colin Studholm
 - ✓ Colin is the only paid member of the Parish Council organization
 - ✓ He is employed by the Parish Council
 - ✓ He has a formal and legally binding Contract of Employment with the PC

So What Have We Been Doing over the last 12 Months?

- We increased the Precept by a marginal amount
- Commissioned a Safety Specialist to conduct an Annual Safety Inspection and provide a Safety Report
 - ✓ The Report highlights safety issues and categorizes them into High, Medium and Low Risk actions
 - ✓ We have maintained the Play Area by cutting the grass and tending to overhanging trees
 - ✓ Planted a variety of bulbs on the village green and other areas

- Commissioned an Internal Audit of the Parish Council
- The Auditor looked at our finances, their management and the governance of the Parish Councils activities
- The Audit Report will be available to the public to review in due course

- Cut the grass on the Village Green and planted a variety of bulbs
- Attended the regular Blickling Stakeholders Meetings
 - ✓ These meetings are attended by neighboring Parish Council Representatives and members of the Blickling Estate Management Team
- Met with Saul Penfold our North Norfolk County Councilor
- Engaged with other Neighboring Parish Councils

The Friends of St Lawrence Church

- The Friends of St Lawrence Church was formed in May 2022
- At that time the church had approximately £4,000 in its account
- We now have approximately £44,500 thanks to donations and the award of grants.

What's Happening Next

- Re-Thatching of the round Tower Roof and the Porch Roof is scheduled to commence at the beginning of July 2025
- Applications for further grants will continue
- Hopefully, re-thatching of the nave and chancel roofs will commence at some time in 2026
- Plans have been prepared to replace the organ vertical access ladder with a new staircase and application for permission to commence the work has been made to the Diocese
- Re-pointing areas of the church will commence in July 2025

Questions

- Thank you for being so patient and listening to me rabbit on
- Does anyone have any questions?
- Is there anyone else who should like to address the meeting

Closure

- Thank you so much for attending
- Your participation in this Ingworth Annual Parish Meeting is very much appreciated and valued
- And please join us at next years Annual Parish Meeting
- Your feed back on the meeting would be very much appreciated
- Please join us in a glass of wine or a soft drink and nibbles which are at the rear of the church