## **Parish Report November 2019**

Norfolk County Councillor for Clavering Division Margaret Stone

Parish or Urban areas within the Division: Aldeby, Broome, Burgh St Peter with Wheatacre,
Denton, Ditchingham, Earsham, Ellingham, Geldeston, Gillingham, Haddiscoe, Hales,
Heckingham, Hedenham, Kirby Cane, Norton Subcourse, Raveningham, Stockton, Thurlton, Thwaite
St Mary, Toft Monks, Topcroft, Wortwell, Alburgh

#### Children's and family service. Ofsted report:

The focused two-day visit looked at arrangements within Children's Services for dealing with contacts and referrals from families, members of the public and professionals at the front door.

The inspectors recognised the huge improvements we have made to the front door, describing it as "transformed". They said that the quality of decision making is consistently strong, and the children's advice and duty service has significantly improved the way in which information is shared, analysed and recorded at the first point of contact. They also praised the "effective leadership and management oversight in the **children's advice and duty service (CADS).** 

Inspectors also recognised that the success of CADS would not have been possible without strong and effective strategic partnerships with the police and health services and the support of elected members.

https://files.api.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50120838

Local authorities that are good, outstanding or requiring improvement receive at least one 'focused visit' between formal inspections. These look at a particular area, which in this case was the "front door". The findings from this visit will be taken into account at the next inspection.

# **New Norfolk County Council Environmental Policy**

Due to be ratified at full council on 25th November

### Hempnall Roundabout. OPEN

The new Roundabout opened a week ago and is reducing congestion and improving safety for drivers. Delivered on time with the least amount of disruption

# Potential Cycle routes using disused railway track

During the past few months, I have had discussions with a variety of people, including keen local cyclists, District Councillors and officers at



NCC, discussing the reopening of disused rail links and adaptation as cycle pathways.

#### **Budget Consultation**

HaveYourSay@norfolk.gov.uk

Overview

Norfolk County Council will set a new budget on 17 February 2020. In this consultation we are asking for your views on our proposed council tax level for 2020/21, including proposals for the adult social care precept.

We also welcome any comments on our approach to budget savings or any of the individual proposals themselves.

We will feed back your views into the budget setting process.

Why We Are Consulting

We want to find out what people think about our council tax proposals. We are consulting through:

- This online consultation, which is also available as a paper copy
- Letter to key partners and stakeholders

We are consulting from 23 October to 10 December 2019. Please note that if we receive any consultation responses after this date we cannot guarantee that we will be able to take them into account.

#### Fire Service consultation:

Your views on Norfolk Fire and Rescue's draft IRMP 2020-23

By law, Norfolk's Fire and Rescue Service has to produce an Integrated Risk Management Plan, or IRMP for short. This sets out how we will achieve our goals of improving public safety, reducing the number of emergency incidents and saving lives. We have developed a draft plan for... More

Closes 10 December 2019

Please let me know of any issues where I may help you as your County Council including any proposed Parish Partnership proposals. Margaret.stone.cllr@norfolk.gov.uk