**Horning Parish Council News – January 2015**

**Rubbish Bins:**

NNDC have recently decided to remove most of the Rubbish Bins that are provided for disposal of rubbish by people using boats on the Broads within the District. This decision will mean that the NNDC facility at both The Ferry Inn and the Car Park at The Swan will be removed. The Parish Council are working with our District Councillor to address this issue. However, it may result the total loss of these facilities.

**Village Hall Surgery:**

The Hoveton and Wroxham Medical Centre have undertaken a review of the Surgery sessions provided at the Village Hall. Following that review they have applied to NHS England to request the closure of these sessions owing to shortcomings with the current facilities and the need to provide the best use of their resources.

The main reasons for this decision are the lack of confidentiality afforded to patients within the facility, the lack of access to medical records which raises safety concerns and finally, the limited number of patients attending these surgery sessions resulting in inefficient use of the medical resources.

**Vodafone:**

On a more positive note, the Vodafone Rural Open Sure Signal (ROSS) project is in the final stages of implementation. The sites at The ferry Inn, The New Inn, The Village Hall and The Sailing Club are scheduled for completion before the end of January.

This project should provide a strong mobile signal on the Vodafone network throughout most of the village.

The Parish Council would like to thank the Businesses and Organisations that have volunteered the use of their buildings to host this system. Councillor Moore is also thanked for driving this project forward to conclusion.

**Tour de Broads:**

The Parish Council has resolved to support the use of the Village by the Tour de Broads as a drinks stop for this year’s event. The Tour will mean that some 3000 cyclists will ride through, and stop in the village on Sunday 21st August between 9:30 and 14:00.

A working party has been established to look at what the village can organise around this event.

**Agenda Items**:

If you wish a particular issue or topic to be placed on the agenda and discussed by the Council, it is essential that you provide written details (by post or email) to the Clerk at least 5 working days before the meeting. Any correspondence received after this deadline will be deferred to the following meeting.

**Next Parish Council Meeting**:

Monday 1st February at 7pm in St Benet’s Hall.

Members of the public are welcome.

***Ian Davis,***

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