Horning Parish Council News – September/October 2014

**Parish Councillors:** We would like to welcome Andrew Darby who was co-opted onto the Council at the September meeting. Peter Lewis has resigned from the Council and we would like to thank him for his work on the Council as Chair of the Asset Management Committee and latterly as the Chair of the Planning Committee. He has agreed to complete the report on Traffic and Parking in Horning and to present it together with recommendations to the Council later in the year. Cllr Diane Moore has been elected as Chair of the Planning Committee.

**Bottle Bank:** From October glass bottles and jars will be collected from your homes in your green recycling bins (see NNDC communication for details) but this means a loss in revenue for the Council (approx £1,200 p.a.). However we plan to continue with a bottle bank, as many other parishes are doing, as both residents and visitors make use of it and we need to maintain our income. We therefore urge you to continue to put your glass bottles and jars in the bottle bank as it will help maintain the Council income and reduce the need to raise the precept – part of council tax.

**Bids for Funding from the Horning Boat Show Community Fund:** Following reversal of its previous decision regarding bids, and considerable debate and input from residents at the September meeting, the Council will be submitting a single bid for children’s play equipment. More work will be carried out on proposals to put a boundary around the play area. Our thanks to residents who sent their preferences to the Council.

**Horning Community Website:** As there was no feedback from residents, we will be pursuing the proposal to combine the Parish Council and Community websites and to work with neighbouring Parish Councils where there are common facilities.

**Council Vacancies:** There are still two vacancies on the council. Any adult can be co-opted on to Horning Parish Council if they fulfil a few straightforward criteria, the main ones being resident in or within 3 miles of the civil parish of Horning for one year or owning a business in Horning. Interested? Come along to a council meeting or contact one of the councillors – names and phone numbers are on the Noticeboard.

**Communication:** Please note that written communications with the Council should be emailed or posted to the Parish Clerk, not to individual Councillors.

**Next Parish Council Meeting**: The next monthly meeting is on Monday 6th October 2014 at 7pm in St Benet’s Hall. Members of the public are welcome.

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