



A damp January

Horningsea Herald



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www.horningsea.net

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Events

HRA International Evening

Saturday 3rd February, 19:00, Village hall.

The next Horningsea International Night is in the Village Hall hosted by the Horningsea Residents Association.

Bring your favourite dish or pay £7 per adult/£2 per child. Or a new recipe. Whatever you fancy. And whatever you want to drink.

Cutlery and plates provided, but don't forget to bring a glass. Dry-ebruaryers welcome too!

<https://www.horningsea.net/archives/5028>

Horningsea International Night



19:00 | FEBRUARY 3RD | VILLAGE HALL



BRING AND SHARE a dish of any cuisine, sweet or savoury.
Maybe a family recipe or a newly discovered favourite.

Please bring your own drinks and glasses.
Plates and cutlery will be provided.

Entrance is free when you bring a dish
(Without a dish: £7 adults, £2 children)



St Peter's Church services during February

Here's the services for February.

- **Sunday 4th February at 10.30** - Holy Communion
- **Sunday 11th February at 16.00** - Village Service followed by pancakes as Shrove Tuesday is on 13th February and Lent begins on Wednesday 14 February. Come along on 11 February and see how you get on tossing pancakes before eating them!

- **Ash Wednesday 14th February** - there will be a special service in Fen Ditton at 19.30. The Cambridge Vocal Consort will sing Byrd's Mass for Four Voices as part of the Choral Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes.
- **Sunday 25th February** - A Joint Three Parishes Service at Horningsea at 10.30.

During Lent there will be a weekly Lent Course at the Kings Head pub in Fen Ditton 19.30 - 20.45 "Our Common Home: Caring for God's Creation".

<https://www.horningsea.net/archives/5076>

Upcoming Events

HRA Dates for Diary 2024

- Saturday 3rd Feb 2024 19:00 – **International Night**
- Friday 15th 18:30 March **Bingo/Fish & Chips**
- Wednesday 24th April 12:00 **Seniors Lunch**
- Saturday 18th May 2025 **Film Night – Secret Cinema** – Kids film afternoon – All in evening.
- Saturday 8th June 14:00-16:00 – **80 years since D-Day**
- Saturday 29th June – **Village Day – Vintage Theme**
- Sunday 30th June – **St Peter's Church Day**
- Saturday 13th July **Horticultural Show**
- Saturday 28th September 14:00 **Apple Pressing**
- Sunday 3rd November **Bonfire Night**
- Sunday 1st December **Christmas Tree Lighting**
- Monday 27th January 2025 **HRA AGM**
- Saturday 8th February 2025 from 18.30 **International Evening**

Watch the village website for the latest updates throughout the year:

<https://www.horningsea.net/archives/5059>

Horningsea Parish Council meetings for 2024

- 27th March, 19:30 Village hall
- 29th May, 19:30 Village hall
- 17th July, 19:30 Village hall
- 25th September, 19:30 Village hall
- 27th November, 19:30 Village hall

<https://www.horningsea.net/community-parish-council>

Horningsea Horticultural Show AGM

Wednesday 13th March, 19:30, Village Hall.

The Horningsea Horticultural Show Annual General Meeting will take place in the Village Hall on the 13th March at 7:30. All are welcome to attend, and any offers of help would be gratefully appreciated. Please come to the meeting to find out how **you** could help.

Reports

Please send in photos or reports of any village events to horningseanews@gmail.com

SHH: Update on the Planning Inspectorate's January Hearings

The Planning Inspectorate's Examination period progressed with meetings at the beginning of the year (9th to 11th January) at which Save Honey Hill (SHH) was represented with good effect, bolstered on the last day by our legal counsel. The live streams and transcripts are now available to watch on YouTube. Links are on the Save Honey Hill website.

<https://www.savehoneyhill.org/dco-hearings-live-streams-now-available/>

Day one dealt with Compulsory Acquisition Orders (CA). As a group, Save Honey Hill is not affected by CA but nonetheless we were able to raise some very important questions as to why CA was needed as there is no compelling case to relocate the WWTP.

At the Issue Specific Hearing (Environmental Statement) on day two, the Inspectors concentrated in great detail on Traffic and Transport both for construction and operational traffic and the impact on Junction 34 and the associated roads, and on Waterbeach in relation to the Waterbeach pipeline. Yet again, there were discrepancies and omissions in the Applicant's documents which have to be corrected or questions answered by the next deadline (D4) on 22 January. This subsequently means more work for Save Honey Hill reading the answers and commenting where necessary. The Inspector emphasised that Anglian Water (Anglian Water) and National Highways (NH), and in some instances, Cambridgeshire County Council Highways, must talk to each other.

On the third day, which lasted a marathon 10 hours, we raised important issues around Ecology, Water Resources, including Flood Risk, Historic Environment, Landscape, visual and design, and Green Belt. Although the latter was somewhat hurried, our barrister was able to refute some of the points made by the council officer, although not accepted by the Applicant's KC. The Planning Inspectors tasked with scrutinising Anglian Water's DCO application documents, are showing themselves to be canny, thorough and diligent. The points raised reflect points raised by Save Honey Hill in both its Relevant and Written Representations and so we continue to feel listened to, included in the process and



extremely encouraged that Anglian Water is being and will continue to be called to account at every opportunity.

Within our communities, we have been blessed with a small number of professionals with the relevant experience to deal with a campaign of this kind and magnitude. It is largely due to the quality and strength of their knowledge and strategic skills that we are being accepted as a very credible participant in the process by the Examining Authority. For the past three years, they have all given freely a considerable amount of their time to working tirelessly to get to this point and we are truly grateful and indebted to them. We believe, it is due in large part to the level of expertise within our ranks in bringing many of the issues within this application to the Examining Authority's attention, that Anglian Water's representatives were sent, subsequent to October's Preliminary Hearings, a 132-page document of further questions.

We are seeing evidence that Save Honey Hill is having an impact on the course these plans are taking and are able to say our hard work is helping the Examining Authority have all the information it needs to make the best- informed decision possible and ensure that our communities have the very best possible outcome.

The support from all of you in providing the funds necessary to seek legal counsel thus far has been crucial. Without the highest-level legal expertise required to fight such a major infrastructure project, our efforts may have been fruitless. Legal counsel is not cheap, yet our legal team has worked with us and supported us in such a way we can say we have had excellent value for money.

We have been on this campaign journey now for over three years and regardless of whether new funding is forthcoming, we are committed to fighting to the end.

Thank you!

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Notes

Horningsea Greenway and more works; update

Will Neale: HPC chair.

The Parish Council had a call with the GCP on the 17th January for an update on the various works happening in the village.

Timings

As a guide only as the timings are moving....

The footpath resurfacing works from the village gateway to the A14 are due to take place from the 9th of February for about 3 weeks.

The build-out works and other remaining Horningsea works are due to commence on the 1st of March.

We will do our best to keep you updated with any changes to this.

Lamposts

The GCP is going to look at how they can rationalise the number of lampposts that have been fitted.

The GCP is also going to look at the possibility of extending the 20mph zone into Dock Lane, St John's Land and Priory Road, although no promises have been made on this.

Build out location

I believe the GCP has amended the location of the build-outs to rectify the concerns raised. If there are any outstanding concerns please let us know so we can pick this up with the GCP/ their contractor.

Lighting

It has been confirmed that the proposed lighting between the village gateway and the A14 will be a like-for-like replacement of the lighting currently in situ.

Speed limit

GCP has currently removed the 40mph buffer zone to the South of the Village, this will be reinstated back to 40mph on Monday.

Bus stops

The GCP will additionally be installing line markings to the two bus stops this will be undertaken alongside the build-out construction.

Non-GCP update**Footpaths**

Separately to the GCP works you would have seen a lot of white spray markings appearing over the pavements on the High Street and Clayhithe Road. This relates to pavement resurfacing works that Highways will be undertaking. The resurfacing works are due between 8th February - 8th March.

We are in communication with the Highways team to ensure the stretch of placement between Gayton Farm and Northgate Farm where we have lost at least a foot of pavement due to vegetation encroachment is cleared before the resurfacing.

New hymn books in Horningsea

Would you like to sponsor a new hymn book for Horningsea Church? They will cost just under £12 each. If you would like to sponsor a book please let one of the church wardens know - churchwardenhorningsea@gmail.com

Bell Ringing in Horningsea

Until the new bells are in place in Landbeach there will be weekly Bell Ringing practice each Wednesday in Horningsea 19.00 - 20.30. The Landbeach bells are taking their time! So the current arrangements will probably be in place until the end of March.

The Plough and Fleece

New Menu - From Wednesday 10th January we rolled out our new year menu, available for lunch and dinner, Wednesday to Saturday. With a 'Light options' menu alongside this at lunch time.



We all really enjoyed our Burns Night which was a great success. The great chieftain o' the pudding-race was well and truly addressed and toasted.

We are now taking bookings for Valentine's night.

We are now open on Mondays and Tuesdays. For Mondays come and unwind at The Plough and Fleece. You're welcome to order your favourite takeaway delivery and we'll provide plates and cutlery and we'll even wash up. Why not try local favourites such as [Coconut Cambridge](#) or [Milton Spice](#). Please feel free to recommend or use others. Bring a menu. Leave a menu. We'll ring the order(s) for you up to 20:30

Have a game of bar billiards on our new (70yr old!) table at the same time. Doors open from 17:00

And our renowned Sunday Roasts are already filling up, so booking early is always advised.

Throughout the year we will be raising money for the Arthur Rank Hospice charity. This will be advertised regularly, all help and support will be greatly appreciated and make

such a difference. As always we are grateful for your support as we continue to build the pub to see it back performing the role of hub for the community.

Please do visit our Facebook page and please do share and like. It really does help us spread the word.

<https://www.facebook.com/ploughandfleece>

New Life, the Parish Magazine

New Life is the Parish Magazine produced by the churches in Horningsea, Fen Ditton and Teversham. It costs £5 a year to subscribe and ensures you are kept up to date with whatever is going on in the Three Parishes. If you don't already get a copy let one of the Church Wardens know and you can be added to the list!

Public Calendar of Horningsea events

There's a public calendar to share Horningsea events. This is a busy little village and it can be hard to keep track of all the different events. Anybody can view the calendar with this link:

<https://goo.gl/4592dL>

You can also add it to your own calendar directly using the following link:

<https://goo.gl/MrNWfg>

How to submit news to the Herald

The only guideline for news is for events and articles that are of direct relevance to the inhabitants of Horningsea. The Herald does not accept advertising, but one off "news items" may be used to publicise local businesses. To submit news items either email "horningseanews@gmail.com" or submit them via Twitter.
<https://twitter.com/horningseanews>.

All villagers are invited to send in recipes, stories past and present about Horningsea, photos of the village past and present, your hobbies! If it interests the editorial team then it gets published!

You must submit by the 2nd or 4th weekend of the month, the Herald being published before the first and third weekends of the month. Submission of any news items implies consent to any editing and the editorial team's decision is always final. **Always send as plain text via email.** Do NOT send formatted documents. Do NOT send articles as PDF or Word files. Stay under 700 words, preferably less. Attach any photos to the email. If you send in a PDF or image of a poster/flyer then attach a paragraph of text to go into the Herald as well.