

Brandon Parva, Coston, Runhall and Welborne

Parish Council Newsletter January 2025

Parish Council Meetings 2025

The dates of the 2025 Parish Council meetings are as follows:

January 8th, March 12^h, April 9th or 16th (Annual Parish Meeting), May 21st (Annual Parish Council Meeting), July 16th, October 1st, November 19th. All meetings will be held in Welborne Village hall starting at 7.30 pm.

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Parish Councillor Vacancy

There is still one remaining vacancy on the parish council. If you are interested in undertaking this role, please contact the Parish Clerk, Bev Long. If you would like to know more about the role of a Parish Councillor, please feel free to contact the Council Chairman (details overleaf).

Further information on becoming a Town or parish Councillor can be found on the South Norfolk and Broadland website at <https://www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/become-a-town-or-parish-councillor>

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on either the 9th or 16th April. This is an informal meeting with an external speaker and plenty of tea and cakes!

Please do come along and find out what has been happening in the Parish over the last 12 months. The external speaker for this year has yet to be confirmed.

Photographs for the Parish Council Website

The council is refreshing the Parish Council website and would like more up-to-date photos of the parish. Please send any photos you would like to be considered for putting on the website to the parish clerk.

Driving speeds

Concerns have been raised on the speed people drive through our villages. Please keep to safe sensible and appropriate speeds given we have small country roads that go through residential areas.

Parish Council Precept 2025

The annual Parish Council precept was discussed at the January Parish Council meeting. Having reviewed the financial position it was decided that due to inflation, we would need to have a small increase in the precept this year.

Two grant applications were received this year – both were to cover insurance costs at two community owned sites – the allotments and the play area. The council approved a small contribution to both requests.

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Runhall Community Group (RCG)

The RCG would like to congratulate all those who performed in the Christmas Day Carol Service and thank all who came and supported. They are sincerely grateful to all those who cleaned and decorated the church in December for the festive period and for their work throughout the year.

The RCG would also like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their support throughout 2024; maintaining the recreation ground, looking after our Christmas tree and maintaining 'The Exchange', setting up and attending our events and making generous donations.

Save the date: Runfest will be held on 21st June 2025 at Runhall Recreation Ground. More details will follow on our Facebook page (Runhall Community Group) and in Group News.

Welborne Village Hall

The Christmas Fair on 7 December was a great success despite the bad weather. The village hall was full of people in festive mood, chatting and enjoying mince pies, mulled wine or a bowl of warming soup. A record £950 was made for the charity which runs the hall.

Date for your diary - a Quiz and Chilli night is planned for Friday 21 February. Check the website at www.welborne.org.uk nearer the time to book your tickets. A reminder that our lovely Victorian hall is available for functions - the website has full details

Mattishall & Lenwade Surgery has a Patient Participation Group

Since 2016 all GP practices in England have been required to have a Patient Participation Group (PPG). We are a group of 10 volunteers who are patients at Mattishall & Lenwade surgery and meet every two months with surgery staff to ensure that patients are given a voice within the GP practice. The PPG improves two-way communication between patients and the practice.

If you would like further information or have anything that you'd like to raise with the surgery via the PPG, you can get in touch with us via our Facebook page 'Mattishall and Lenwade Surgery PPG', send an email to mandlsurgeryppg@gmail.com, or go to the practice website (www.mattishallsurgery.co.uk/practice-information and click on 'Patient Participation Group'). We have a noticeboard in the Mattishall surgery waiting room and one coming soon at Lenwade.



Parish Council Information

Items for the agenda - If you would like to propose an item for the agenda of an upcoming meeting, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Parish Noticeboards - The parish noticeboards are always a good place to look for up to date or important information.

Parish Clerk	Bev Long	01362 850162 or best contact is clerk@bpcrwparishcouncil.info 2 East Green, Runhall
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District Councillor	Richard Elliott	0773 3002897