

# Brandon Parva, Coston, Runhall and Welborne Parish Council

## Update on Footpaths

The Parish Council continues to ask residents to report problems with footpaths to the County Council through the county council website <https://online.norfolk.gov.uk/highways/submit.aspx?t=PROW>.

You may also want to report the problems direct to Paul Sellick, our local Highways Engineer, at [paul.sellick@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:paul.sellick@norfolk.gov.uk).

Please let Bev Long know, before the next meeting of the Parish Council on 2 March 2016, about any current problems with any footpaths in the parish.

News about 'parish walks' along all parish footpaths during 2016 will be in future newsletters.

## Welcome to the Parish

Our updated Parish 'Welcome Pack', which contains information for newcomers to the parish, has now been posted on our website under 'Welcome to the Parish'.

The Council believes that it would be a nice gesture if all newcomers were given a copy of the Welcome Pack as soon as they arrive. Please let Bev Long know the name (if known) and address of newcomers and she will send them a welcome letter and a printed copy of the Welcome Pack. Alternatively, please download and print direct from the website.

If you notice any errors or would like to make suggestions about other information that should be added in future, please let Bev Long know.

## Salt bin on Church Road, Brandon Parva

The council has bought and installed a new salt bin. It will be filled with salt by the County Council, as soon as possible. To try to prevent theft, the bin is secured to the ground and marked with the name of the council. However, given its vulnerability, please can all residents keep an eye open for any sign of damage or theft and report any problems immediately to Bev Long.

## Reporting highway problems

In the cold and wet weather, problems develop very quickly.

The Parish Council has no responsibilities for highways, so you should always contact the County Council direct as soon as possible. You can do this by phoning **0344 800 8009** or by emailing [highways@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:highways@norfolk.gov.uk), giving accurate information on the size of the pothole and location.

Alternatively, you can report online at <https://online.norfolk.gov.uk/highways/submit.aspx?t=HIGHWAYS>.

If you see any non-urgent things that need fixing (such as damaged signs, blocked drains, subsidence) you may let Bev or your local councillor know before our next meeting and we will ask the County Council to deal with them.

## Flooding on Church Road, Welborne

The County Council has promised that the flooding on Church Road, Welborne will be sorted by the end of January 2016, subject only to adverse weather. This will require the road to be closed for 2 days.

## Sewer along Church Road, Welborne

We have invited Anglian Water to the next meeting of the Parish Council on 2 March 2016. If confirmed, the meeting will be publicised through our website, Streetlife and by posters around Welborne.

### Footpath Warden(s)

The Council is still looking for footpath wardens to keep an eye on some of the Public Rights of Way in the parish. As part of their role, footpath wardens will usually:

- Make themselves aware of the rules and regulations of Public Rights of Way
- Arrange or carry out at least one survey per year of all the Public Rights of Way within the Parish to check whether pathways are kept clear, route signs clearly visible and stiles, gates, and bridges in good order
- Report to the Parish Council on Public Rights of Way issues in the Parish
- Encourage Parishioners to adopt paths with a view to keeping them 'walkable'
- Act as a point of contact for local enquiries and reports on Public Rights of Way
- Liaise with landowners and Norfolk County Council on occasional remedial works

If you would be interested in taking on this role for the Parish Council for all, or some, of the rights of way in our villages, please contact Bev Long or Mike Webb

### Advance notice of Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will probably be on 6 April, when someone (hopefully, our local Highways Engineer) from Norfolk County Council Highways Department will talk about the maintenance of roads in our parish and how the council responds to requests for speed limits, reports of damage, etc.

Confirmation of speaker and final arrangements will be in our next newsletter.

### Parish Council meetings in 2016

2 March, 18 May, 20 July, 21 September, and 30 November. The Annual Parish Meeting will be on 6 April, depending on the availability of our speaker.

All meetings are in Welborne Village Hall and start at 7.30 pm. The council may have to hold additional meetings, particularly when we have to consider planning applications at short notice, and these will be advertised on village noticeboards and on our website. All residents are encouraged and welcome to come to meetings of the Council.

### Parish responsibilities and contacts

Parish Clerk	Bev Long	01362 850162 but best contact is by email <a href="mailto:brownowlbev@gmail.com">brownowlbev@gmail.com</a>
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