

# **Newsletter of the Parish Council**

# Exning news

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# Useful telephone numbers

Emergency	999
Suffolk Police (non-urgent)	101
NHS Direct (medical or dental)	111
Crime Stoppers UK	0800 555 111
Gas Emergency	0800 111 999
Electrical emergency (Including power cuts)	105
Anglian Water Emergency	0800 771 881
Burwell Surgery	01638 741234
Rookery Medical Centre	01638 664338
Orchard House Surgery	01638 666887
Oakfield Surgery	01638 662018
Exning Community Church Hall	07516 438133
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# Meet the editors

# Kathryn Schosland



Kathryn has been an active member of the Exning community since moving here in 2010. She supports local church groups, educational organisations, and was a founding member of the Exning Neighbours Group during COVID.

# Dani Kilsby-Steele

Dani moved to the village in 2019 with her husband Oli. She enjoys walking with Archie the Border Terrier, horse riding and hockey. Now with a young family, she brings vital expertise around local business and land management to the Council.



# **Lindsay Morgan**



Lindsay came to the village in 2012. She became involved fully in village life during COVID, when she helped form the Exning Neighbours Group and now takes an active role in the Parish Council and Exning Primary School.

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# **District Council News**

#### Councillor Jon London

As I write this I've just returned from looking at the brand new path between Prince Close and the school. Getting this path sorted out has been a two year odyssey so far. In 2023 only the part between the school and the nursery was able to be done because the rest of the path didn't show up on the County Council's definitive map of rights of way. After pointing out this inaccuracy the rights of way team were able to confirm that this was an error, and that the path was indeed public access.



This didn't fix the fact that there was no funding for resurfacing. After several meetings with County Council officers we ended up at an impasse. They would be happy to allow someone to do the work, but they wouldn't pay for it.

After a press meeting with Persimmon (The one where they provided the Parish Council with a giant cheque for the bus stop) I was able to invite a senior Persimmon manager to see the muddy path that children living in their houses use to get to school, and convinced him that it would be a fantastic opportunity for them to contribute to the community. Thank you Persimmon!

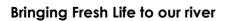
I'd also like to thank Brian and James from Tamdown for the fantastic work they have done, the path really does look smart, and they even fixed some extra potholes by the side of the school. My next goal is to extend the path all the way through the woods to Plover Place.

I try to listen to what residents tell me they want, and I therefore did not move forward with the proposed Exning bonfire and fireworks display, as several people were concerned about the noise. One event that everyone did seem to love last year was the x-mas tree switch-on & songs, which I am pleased to announce will be happening 5pm, 1 December, at St Martins Churchyard.

E: <u>cllrjonlondon@gmail.com</u> Facebook: @CllrJonLondon

Web: www.wslibdems.org.uk/our-team/ion-london

# **Conservation and Green Spaces**





Following the wet winter of 2023/2024 it has not been necessary to augment the river with water from the Snailwell borehole this summer as some of the Seven Springs have kept flowing. However, the water level dropped in the Duck Pond to 29 mm in September from its height of 54 mm in March.

At Ducks lane, a kingfisher has frequently been seen flying under the road bridge and into the Duck Pond. He often stops on one of the boxwood perches that have been placed in the river. Have you seen him? More secretive is a heron who visits in the early mornings and has been caught on the wildlife camera catching and eating the red bellied sticklebacks. Now that we are into autumn the Little Egret has returned.

The flowering plants which have given such a colourful display all summer have now died or been cut back for winter.

Over several weeks in September/October a group of volunteers cleared the many years of debris, brambles and ivy from the banks and river by the Swan Lane Bridge. This clearance work was supported by a grant given by Jon London, our West Suffolk Councillor, from his Locality Budget. Funding to purchase materials for restoration of the banks has been kindly given by Octopus Renewables Infrastructure Trust (ORiT) and it is hoped work can be started over the winter months.



After 2½ years of negotiations, BT have cleared the dead elder and laurel from the corner of Church Lane and ENRA volunteers have removed further debris. The eroded bank is now visible and it is proposed to restore this area with Chestnut stakes, faggots and planting along with adding additional gravel.

Please contact us if you would like to help with the restoration work in the river, find out more or donate go to <a href="https://www.exningnewriver.co.uk">www.exningnewriver.co.uk</a>

# EXNING NEW RIVER ASSOCIATION WANTED

Volunteers - to help with work in the river, driving in stakes and moving gravel

Waders - do you have any which are now surplus to requirements?

#### FOR SALE

Pallets - suitable for making compost bins

A small donation to ENRA funds

contact: info@exningnewriver.co.uk or text 07702 230 554

# West Suffolk Local Plan - Pinewood Stud & Country Park

The Association together with the Suffolk Wildlife Trust and National Trust Wicken Fen has made representations to The Planning Inspectorate who are conducting the Examination of West Suffolk Local Plan and a proposed modification has been made to the landscape and biodiversity section. The New River drains through the National Trust's Wicken Fen Ramsar and their fen habitats are reliant on the cleaner calcareous nature of the Monks Lode water that is abstracted onto Sedge Fen from Monks Lode.

The Plan is being examined over 11 days from 5th November to 11th December at the Council Offices at Bury St Edmunds.

www.letsplayourpart.co.uk/seven-springs

# What's growing? On the Exning allotments with Phil

We are following Phil on his allotment journey, hoping to inspire others to pick up a trowel and a bag of seeds. You don't need an allotment to start your own home-grown journey; even small gardens and containers are a great place to start.

# What are you planting (Nov/Dec)?

We've got garlic and onions going in.

# What are you harvesting (Nov/Dec)?

It's a quiet time of year, but we are still picking leeks, carrots, and beetroot.

LANES GARDEN MAINTENANCE

# What have been the main challenges recently?

Dealing with the wet weather and there have been so many caterpillars attacking the plants!

#### What have been your recent successes?

A fantastic result at the allotment show, winning the following categories – carrots, dahlias, sweetcorn, butternut squash, and courgettes. I also won best male allotment holder, and second place for the most diverse plot.

# What jobs are you doing at the moment?

It's too wet to dig in muck at the moment, so we are focussed on tidying the plot and taking down the runner beans; we leave the roots in so these can be dug into the soil.

# What are your favourite vegetables for the Christmas Dinner table?

Definitely sprouts and parsnips.

# Any other news?

We are proud to announce the launch of Lanes Garden Maintenance. After years of doing our garden, and helping family and friends, we have set up our business undertaking many services including lawn care (mowing/strimming/edging/laying), weeding, applying fertilisers and pesticides, general tidying and garden clearance, patio and driveway jet washing, hedge cutting and trimming, pruning, and planting. Call on 07540 333360 or email lanes.garden.maintenance@gmail.com for more information.

If you have any questions for Phil, to be asked in the next edition, please email Editor@exning-pc.gov.uk

## Meet The Locals

#### **Local business Q&A**

Each edition, we run a Q&A with a local business owner. If you would like to take part, please email <a href="mailto:editor@exning-pc.gov.uk">editor@exning-pc.gov.uk</a>.

In this edition, we caught up with Fiona Ouzman of Exning United Charities to learn more about the organisation and its work.

## Charity Number - 204971

## Q1: What is the purpose of the Charity?

The general charitable purpose is for the prevention or relief of poverty. The charity helps children/young people, elderly or old people and people with disabilities. The charity makes grants to individuals and grants to organisations.

## Q2: Can you tell us about its history?

Formerly The Shepherds Charity, Exning United Charities mainly originates from the bequest of and settlement of Samuel Shepherd MP (1677-1748) whose brother Francis Shepherd MP had resided at Exning Hall. Samuel had lived at one time at Anglesey Abbey and similar bequests of land were made for the surrounding villages of the Abbey. Exning is still connected with Bottisham United Charities to this day.

# Q3: How can people benefit from the Charity?

Applications can be made by single people who have reached the age of 70 years or over and have had continuous residence in the Parish of Exning with St Agnes (Severals Ward) for 7 years or more.

Requests can also be made for assistance from needy persons, families and village organisations. These requests should be made in writing to the Clerk to the Trustees at 29 George Gibson Close Exning Newmarket CB8 7IE. Grants are made at the discretion of the trustees who meet regularly throughout the year.

# Q4: Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Charity?

The next distribution of vouchers is to be made on Saturday 7th December 2024 at Exning Village Hall from 9.30am until 12 noon and details can be found in the Charitable Organisations Section of this newsletter.

# **Exning Events**

#### **Music Builds Communities**

If you enjoy singing, even if you don't think you can sing, come along to MBC "Singing for Fun", usually on the 3rd Wednesday each month at 8pm in Exning Community Church



Hall. It's a sing-a-long where the words are shown on a screen and the music is provided on acoustic guitars. No need to book. We request a donation of £2.50 for the evening (cash or card). On December 18 we'll hold our Christmas Special with Parodies and Christmas Pop hits. In 2025 each month we'll be playing songs that were hits in that month over the years so expect a mix of pop, rock, folk, country traditional and showtunes. <a href="http://www.musicbuildscommunities.org/evening-fun\_singing.html">http://www.musicbuildscommunities.org/evening-fun\_singing.html</a>

Our "Electric Guitar" sessions take place in ECCH on the 1st Wednesday each month. Open to anybody who plays, whether it be lead, rhythm or bass. We also now have a drummer, but could add a keyboard player. See <a href="http://www.musicbuildscommunities.org/play">http://www.musicbuildscommunities.org/play</a> electric.html

For more information about MBC and any of its activities see the website <a href="https://www.musicbuildscommunities.org">www.musicbuildscommunities.org</a>, email to <a href="mailto:lnfo@musicbuildscommunities.org">lnfo@musicbuildscommunities.org</a> or call John on 07968 912046

# **Exning.net**

Exning dot Net (<u>www.exning.net</u>) is a website about Exning Village. It is a way for you to find out what is going on in the village over the coming month (s) and is available to promote your event for free! It also has links to various organisations' own websites and Facebook pages (or we can provide a web page where there isn't one). There's a section about the history of Exning, and pages of photos of past events held in the village (e.g. duck races, commemorations of world wars, jubilee events, fetes, etc).

The information is only as good as that provided to us, so if you have a regular activity, or are organising a one-off event, please let us know. We can also help publicise your event on several local Facebook pages and Nextdoor. If the event is in Exning Community Church Hall we can let people know about it by email. So, look at the website www.exning.net and, if you want to know more, email us at <a href="mailto:info@exning.net">info@exning.net</a> or call John Saville on 07968-912046

# EXNING VILLAGE CINEMA

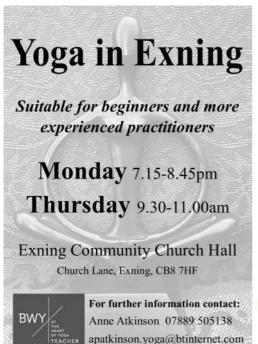
"Showing films monthly for 12 years"

# **EXNING COMMUNITY CHURCH HALL**

Screenings 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of every month except July and August

Details of the coming monthly film are to be found on notice boards and via social media

Doors open at 7pm and the programme starts at 7.30pm



# **COFFEE FOR ALL**

St MARTIN'S CHURCH, EXNING



2025 dates coming soon

10am-12 noon
Everyone welcome
No charge, donations gratefully accepted.

# **Charitable Organisations**

# THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Royal British Legion is at the heart of a national network that supports our Armed Forces community providing lifelong support to serving and ex-serving personnel and their families. From offering expert advice and guidance, to supporting recovery and rehabilitation, through to transitioning to civilian life.

The Exning Branch is part of the 180,000 membership. It supports the Parish Council in the management of the Remembrance Sunday event at the War Memorial and is responsible for the Service of Remembrance in St Martin's Church. When possible we like to have a presence at village events

Members play a vital role in supporting the Royal British Legion. They share experiences with like-minded people, but most importantly, they help provide support to the Armed Forces community. From being at the end of a phone line and visiting veterans in their local area, to holding Remembrance and community events, it can help reach those who need it most.

Like many organisations we are now low in numbers and are seeking to reverse this trend. You do not have to be connected to the Armed Forces to join just agree with the aims and objects of the British Legion. Exning Branch needs new members to ensure it can carry on its activities. For more information about the Royal British Legion go to:



# www.britishlegion.org.uk

Or contact: mllovegrove@hotmail.com

#### Remembrance Event

On Sunday November 10th, the village gathered at the Cotton End Road war memorial to pause and reflect in remembrance of those killed in conflict in the First World War and all conflicts since. The reflection was led by the Rev. Liam Beadle of St Martin's Church, and time was also taken to consider both armed personnel and civilians in present zones of conflict and disaster. Wreaths were laid by Cllrs John London and Kathryn Schosland on behalf of the District and Parish councils, with a number of community and militarily-aligned groups also leaving their tributes.

# **Exning United Charities**

EXNING UNITED CHARITIES will make a distribution to **Single People who** have reached the age of 70 years or over and have had continuous residence in the Parish of Exning with St Agnes (Severals Ward) for 7 years or more;

on Saturday 7 December 2024 from 9.30am until 12 noon at Exning Community Church Hall.

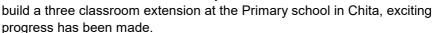
All new applicants for 2024 must produce proof of identity (Passport, Driving Licence or Birth Certificate), proof of address (utility bill /bank statement less than 3 months old) and proof of length of residence in the parish before accepted. Unless adequate proof is provided, applications will be refused.

Anyone collecting on behalf of another person must provide written authority from the existing beneficiary.

# **Exildas Angels**

# Progress on new Classrooms at Chita primary school Zambia

Since the last Exning News in August, which outlined the aims of the charity to



At the end of July work started on the new building. Local people volunteered to dig the extensive foundations with pick and shovel. The foundations were then built, filled in and the slab laid and finished. The four walls have now reached roof level, and the roof plate has been put in place.

Each stage of the build has been recorded on video. To view the full version please visit our FB page Exildas Angels and ask to become a member to access this fascinating project. It is also possible to view video clips on our website <a href="http://exildasangels.org/newclassroombuild.html">http://exildasangels.org/newclassroombuild.html</a>. More videos will be added as the roof goes on and the interior is completed.

Weather and funding issues permitting, the aim is to have the classrooms ready for children to occupy on Feb 1st.

If you would like to contribute to our funding please visit <a href="http://exildasangels.org/financials.html">http://exildasangels.org/financials.html</a>

# Thanks, Jan Lovegrove



# Children and Young People

# **Exning School Harvest**

We have had a very busy few months in the school polytunnel. The children were very enthusiastic and did a splendid job of making sure that the plants were watered daily, as well as, harvesting copious amounts of tomatoes and cucumbers. Our strawberries, peas and beans were not as successful, unfortunately, but we did grow a dozen pota-



toes and enjoy many raspberries - the raspberries were very popular and eaten as they were picked!

Last week, we harvested the last of the tomatoes and then stripped the plants out of the polytunnel and prepared the ground for winter, as well as a general tidy around and sweep up. The children did a fantastic job, although we all ended up rather muddy! We also cut back the raspberry plants, as they had become a bit unruly. At the same time, we harvested the last of the pears and apples from the trees - the children enjoyed sampling these.

We are still looking for a local volunteer with green fingers to support us with this project. The children are extremely enthusiastic but we are not very knowledgeable, hence how our success is hit and miss! We will start to plan for next year's growing season over the next few months - if anyone can spare some time to support us it would be greatly appreciated.

The chickens continue to delight the children, and there is a small crew of pupils who have taken on the responsibility of caring for them very seriously and are doing a fantastic job. The chickens are still laying an egg a day, which the children take turns at taking home to eat.

We are thankful for this year's harvest and hope to be as, if not more, productive next year.



# Communicating with Friends @ Exning

A huge thank you to everyone who posted their blue Tesco tokens in the Exning voting box last year. We won a £1500 grant to purchase communication boards in the outdoor areas at the school.

Communication boards are a board of symbols that children can point to, to communicate with



their friends and adults. Some children find speech difficult which means they may find it tricky to make their friends understand what they want to express - if words are hard for them to say, they may be able to show what they are trying to say by pointing at the symbols on a communication board. The boards are also a useful tool to model to children how to make choices and develop their language skills.

The boards are up in key places around the school and are already being used effectively, for children to communicate with. We are extremely pleased with them and excited to support all the children across our school.

#### **Rachel Donald**

# **Update from the Heads**

"Hello, our names are Rosie and Zach and we are privileged to represent Exning Primary School as the Head Boy and Head Girl for the 2024-2025 academic year. We are excited to help the community and show off our beautiful school to visitors and new coming students / teachers that we would welcome into the Exning family. We are very interested in helping our peers and the environment and we would like to make the village as eco-friendly as possible. As Headboy and Headgirl it is our responsibility that we fulfil the tasks and jobs we are assigned. We will be attending the Exning Remembrance Church Service on 10/11/24 so if you have any questions feel free to ask us then."

# And finally...

Exning Primary School has been nominated for the "Peer Mediation Scheme of the Year" award at the National Mediation Awards. The ceremony will take place on the 12th December at the House of Commons. The children are delighted, and it is a reflection of their hard work and dedication to sorting conflicts out in school.

# Burwell Village College Primary \*\*Dpen Day\*\*











# We are a good school - OfSTED 2024.

Come along and see what an amazing school we have. Our

children are incredible. We offer a broad and detailed curriculum built on academic success and development of talents and skills.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024 1.30pm—3.00pm

Call: 01638 613103 to book your place

burwellvillageprimary.co.uk

# 1st Exning Scouts

Exning Cubs had a spooky Halloween camp at the Mildenhall Scout hut last month. Activities included pumpkin carving, air-rifle shooting and a range of other activities that involved a high level of participation, energy and dirt!

We also had another of our leaders achieve their "Overnight" certification, as part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring safety and opportunity for our young people.

Beavers were joined this Autumn by PC Chapman and Kuk Sool Won of Soham and our young people learned about safety, responsibility and respect as both citizens and martial artists.

If you are interested in taking part in scouting, please get in touch with Barry Hussey. <a href="mailto:barry.hussey@exningscouts.org.uk">barry.hussey@exningscouts.org.uk</a>









# **Footsteps Toddler Group**

St. Martin's Church has started, 'Footsteps' Baby and Toddler group.

Footsteps, runs on the first and third Mondays of the month.

From: 10am to 12, midday.

There's time for play, crafts, Christian stories, songs and snacks. £2.00/session.

Venue: Exning Community Church Hall, Church Lane, Exning, CB8 7HF

Dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> December. 2025 - 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> January; 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> February

exningfootsteps@gmail.com

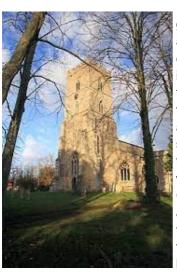
# Faith and Worship

# A letter from the minister, St Martin's Church

I write in the aftermath of Remembrance Sunday. A large number of us gathered at the war memorial opposite the White Horse for the customary two-minutes silence in memory of those whose lives have been blighted by war and conflict, and especially those who were killed in warfare. I often wonder what people are thinking about during those two minutes. I find my mind wanders to contemporary conflicts and the hope for peace



which is shared by all people of goodwill. In church, we often pray, 'Give peace in our time, O Lord'. In the context of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and the atrocities in the Middle East, among others, it has felt like a timely prayer. But it is not just a prayer for the world. It is also a prayer for ourselves. Jesus says, 'Blessed are the peacemakers', and making peace is not just for the world stage. It begins in our own households, and even, dare



I say it, in our own selves. For that reason, it is good that Advent and Christmas come shortly after November. The shops try to lure us into a celebration of Christmas that makes Advent invisible, but this is a shame. Advent is about the renewal of all things. For Christians, this is focused on our faith that Jesus will come again as the judge of the living and the dead. It is a stark time, but for that reason it is able to speak to us in difficult days. The Christmas services will be advertised shortly. In them, we hear God's offer of peace with God through faith in Jesus Christ. 'Peace on earth' was the song of the angels at the birth of Jesus. Whatever our faith, I hope we can all echo that other-worldly but desperately needed hope. Liam Beadle

Services are on noticeboards and on St Martin's website

https://www.exningparishchurch.net

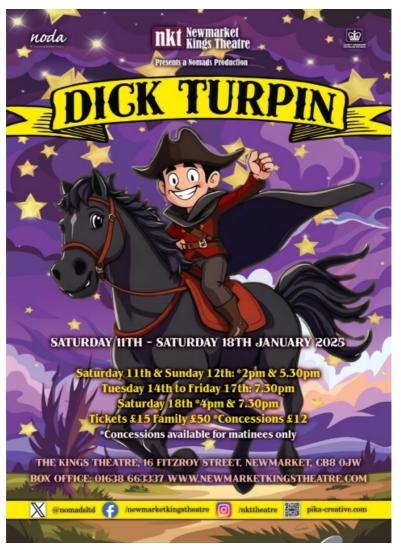
# TIME FOR TEA AND FRIENDSHIP



You are warmly invited to join us on the First and Third Monday of each month (excluding Bank holidays) For informal chat, cake and tea, meeting friends and making new friends, held at;

Exning Community Church Hall. 2-4pm.

For further information please contact:
Christine Pearce 01638 664314. Or just come along.



#### On the beat



First, many apologies for missing an update for the last edition. I'm sure you can appreciate that these were unprecedented times for Suffolk Police both nationally and locally over the summer months.

Normal business returned a while back and hopefully you have seen me about the local area?

We greeted Exning Primary School back in September, and I have been in to give a 2 talks to both years 5 & 6 around Anti-Social behaviour and Knife Crime. We also have completed a non-confrontational speed check evening with Exning Beavers.

On the topic of speeding, the last 6 months detection rate for the speed van can be found below.

SEPTEMBER - 176

**AUGUST - 103** 

**JULY - 46** 

**JUNE -255** 

MAY - 120

**APRIL - 160** 

Please follow our Forest Heath Police page on both Facebook and Twitter and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

https://www.suffolk.police.uk/area/your -area/suffolk/forest-heath/newmarket/ on-the-team/crime-map

**Best wishes** 

PC 1505 Chapman

# DID YOU KNOW?

Online contact can now be used alongside the non-emergency 101 service. More Information on what to report and how is available on the website.





# **Update from the Parish Council**



## Autumn 2024

# **Welcoming Steve**

The change of season brought us a change in Village Keeper. Tom, who has looked after us wonderfully for so many years handed over to Steve, who will now work full time and all the year round, to 'keep' the village. Steve is an experienced, certified groundsperson and Exning resident. Wave if you see him at work! The council took the decision to take a full time keeper to give us capacity through the winter to work on essential maintenance and keep up a year round mowing schedule, and with regard to the future responsibilities that may come our way.

# **Stench Pipes**

We've learned a great deal in this quarter about these, of which Exning has a number of examples. Also known as Stink Pipes or Stench Poles, historically these cast iron structures were part of the Victorian sewage infrastructure and vented flammable and unpleasant gases from the underground networks, high into the sky and away from discerning noses and naked flames! Happily our systems no longer rely on these to prevent



unfortunate explosions and big stinks and they persist for architectural interest. We are looking at the condition of ours and whether they need ongoing maintenance





and protection. Ours are particularly ornate and we are looking forward to learning more.



Here are four of our stench pipes. On your winter walks, see if you can find them all and spot the 5th and if so, take a picture and post to our Facebook page!

#### Other Matters in Council

## **Recreation Ground Play Area**

Sadly the ageing equipment continues to deteriorate in appearance and function, although still passes the weekly and monthly mandatory safety checks. Ongoing repairs are increasingly expensive and technically difficult.

Agreeing a new design and costing for the replacement is a priority in 2025 and we will be looking for your ideas about what should be available in the new facility to make it as inclusive and engaging as possible for our users.



Play areas are expensive and initial scoping shows that there isn't yet enough in the pot. There are options. The pot is not insignificant thanks the Parish Council's history of responsible financial planning. But it is the case that this project is going to involve seeking grants, fundraising and matched funding options to get us over the line.

While on the surface, the play area is a project for young people and families, everyone in Exning benefits from a well kept, well used space. Dereliction, for instance, attracts antisocial behaviour. Many families in Exning don't have a garden or significant private recreation space and some people experience social isolation, even if they have children, and the park and recreation ground provide a vital space to connect and be supported.

So please do get behind the team and if you are part of an organisation who would like to support the Play Park Project directly, please get in touch with the Parish Council.



Exning Parish Council have several new and established projects on the go at the moment, including the Exning Fete and our Environmental Group. Some projects need expert advice and consultation, some just need extra hands. We are always looking for volunteers to help us out, and are always hugely grateful for any help anyone can give. So if you have a bit of time spare, would like to give something back to the village or are, maybe, not quite ready to take the plunge into being a Parish Councillor but want to 'dip your toe', please do let us know.



# **Parish Council Meetings**

# The Parish Council meets at Exning Community Church Hall at 7pm.

There is an Open Forum at the beginning of each meeting when members of the public may speak for a maximum of three minutes on a subject, but members of the public are welcome to stay for the rest of the meeting to observe.

# Dates of planned meetings 2024-25

Wednesday 27th November Wednesday 26 February

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER Wednesday 26th March

Wednesday 22nd January Wednesday 23rd April

Our Website: www.exning-pc.gov.uk

Here you can find information regarding your Parish Councillors and also your District & County Councillors. The minutes of parish council meetings are posted on there, along with the received reports of the District & County Councillors. The website has been redeveloped and we hope you like the new look.

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