



The Village News

February 2024

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Parish Council Meetings February 2024

Full Council:

- Thursday 15th at 7:00pm

Planning & Highways:

- Wednesday 7th at 10:00am
- Wednesday 21st at 10:00am

Finance & Governance:

- Wednesday 7th at 10:30am
- Wednesday 28th at 10:00am

Events & Communications:

- Tuesday 6th at 10:00am

Personnel:

- Wednesday 7th at 12:00pm

Emergency Planning:

- Wednesday 14th at 10:30am

The dates & minutes of all the committee meetings are listed on the parish council website: www.kessinglandparishcouncil.co.uk. The public & press are all legally entitled to attend such meetings and submit any questions relevant to the agenda.

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Kessingland Parish Council

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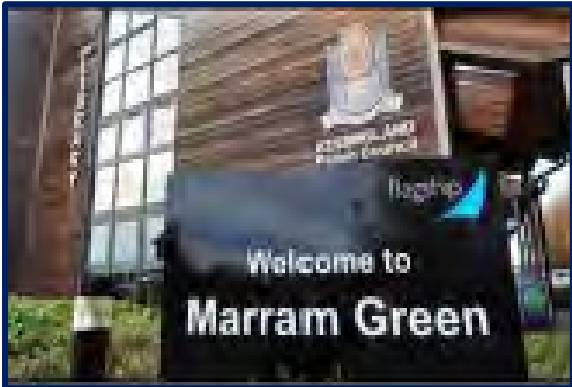
Kessingland Parish Council consists of 13 members, including a Chair and Vice-Chair
The Council has 7 committees which deal with different areas of Council business.

<p>Planning & Highways Committee</p> <p>Councillors: M. Dunne, I. Graham, A. Green, B. Saunders, L. Truman, C. Carter, N. Glendinning</p>	<p>Personnel Committee</p> <p>Councillors: C. Cook, I. Graham, A. Green, S. James, N. Glendinning</p>	<p>Finance & Governance Committee</p> <p>Councillors: I. Graham, A. Green, J. McLean, S. James, B. Saunders, N. Glendinning</p>
<p>Leisure & Amenities Committee</p> <p>Councillors: C. Cook, M. Dunne, J. McLean, L. Truman, R. De Brea</p>	<p>Climate, Culture, Community & Development Committee</p> <p>Councillors: R. De Brea, C. Cook, I. Graham, A. Green, S. James, J. McLean, B. Saunders, L. Truman</p>	<p>Events & Communications Committee</p> <p>Councillors: D. Boyle, C. Cook, J. McLean, L. Truman, C. Carter</p>
<p>Emergency Planning Committee</p> <p>Councillors: D. Boyle, M. Dunne, A. Green, S. James, J. McLean, C. Carter</p>		

As well as sitting on its 7 Committees, some councillors take on designated responsibilities and others represent Kessingland on outside bodies. These are listed below:

<p>Beach Wardens North – Cllr D. Boyle South – Cllr S. James</p>	<p>Community Garden Co-ordinator Cllr J. McLean</p>	<p>Marsh Warden Cllr D. Boyle David Fox (Deputy)</p>	<p>Village & Beach Clean-Up Co-ordinator Cllr D. Boyle</p>
<p>Community Speed Watch & SID Co-ordinator Position Vacant</p>	<p>Community Fridge Cllr C. Cook, Cllr J. McLean, Cllr L. Truman</p>	<p>Kessingland Events Group All members of the Events Committee</p>	<p>Hidden Needs Forum Cllr D. Boyle, Cllr C. Cook, Cllr J. McLean, Cllr L. Truman</p>
<p>Youth Culture Board Chair & Vice Chair of Council, Cllr L. Truman, Cllr J. McLean</p>	<p>Benacre & Kessingland Flood Group Cllr M. Dunne</p>	<p>Compass Suite Trust Cllr M. Dunne</p>	<p>Kessingland in Need Trust Cllr D. Boyle, Cllr L. Truman</p>
<p>Kessingland Sports & Social Centre Cllr C. Cook</p>	<p>Suffolk Police Cllr L. Truman</p>	<p>Suffolk Bus Passenger Interest Group Cllr A. Green</p>	<p>East Suffolk Community Partnership Cllr J. McLean, Parish Clerk</p>
<p>SALC East Suffolk Forum Cllr R. De Brea</p>	<p>SALC Climate Forum Cllr R. De Brea, Cllr A. Green, Cllr J. McLean, Parish Clerk</p>	<p>NALC Climate Forum Cllr R. De Brea, Cllr A. Green, Cllr J. McLean, Parish Clerk</p>	<p>NALC Coastal Communities Forum Cllr J. McLean, Parish Clerk</p>

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District & County Councillors



County Councillor:
Michael Ladd

Michael has been the Suffolk County Council councillor for Kessingland & Southwold since 2013. He is currently the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee which is part of the arrangements for making sure the Council carries out its responsibilities properly and scrutinises the decisions of the cabinet and committees to ensure that procedure and the law have been properly followed.

Michael's other key role is liaising with his constituents and the parish councils that he represents, helping with matters relating to his role as a county councillor and raising matters with Suffolk County Council. Michael actively attends as many monthly Parish Council meetings as he can, and also takes an active involvement with the parish council's quarterly meetings with Suffolk County Councils Highways Department. Michael also is involved with the East Suffolk Carlton Colville, Kessingland and Southwold Community Partnership.

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Alan was appointed as the East Suffolk Councillor for Kessingland in the 2023 elections. He is also Chair of the Carlton Colville, Kessingland and Southwold Community Partnership.

Alan's other key role is liaising with his constituents and also Kessingland Parish Council, helping with issues relating to his role as a district councillor, and also representing Kessingland's views at district council level. Alan actively attends Parish Council meetings as well being involved in the Carlton Colville, Kessingland and Southwold Community Partnership.

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**1st Saturday of each month
from 10am until 12pm**

**Kittiwake Room
Marram Green (1st Floor)
Hall Road
Kessingland**

An opportunity for residents of Kessingland to come and chat with me about any concerns or queries they would like my help with.

ALL WELCOME



Surgery Dates for 2024:

**3rd February / 2nd March / 6th April / 4th May / 1st June / 6th July
3rd August / 7th September / 5th October / 2nd November / 7th December**

London Road Planning Application DC/23/4255/FUL



Kessingland Parish Council response to planning application DC/23/4255/FUL | Hybrid application: a phased development of 135no dwellings with associated drainage and external works, including the use of up to 2.1 hectares of land to extend the existing playing fields (full submission); and 7no custom/self-build dwellings (outline submission). | Land East of London Road Kessingland

What happens next?

Kessingland Parish Council have compiled & submitted their full response to the application following the initial response. Because of the size of the development, it will be considered by the East Suffolk North Planning Committee. At present there is not a date or a location for this meeting. The parish council has invited the district council to hold the meeting within the village in order that residents have an opportunity to be present. The parish council has no control over the next stage of the planning process but have committed to backing the Neighbourhood Plan, which was voted upon by Kessingland residents and is a key local planning document, as well as the planning policies which East Suffolk has adopted via the Local Plan and supplementary planning documents along with the National Planning Framework. The council has also requested information from bodies which are referenced in the application to provide as evidence to support the submission that the parish council have submitted. The full response can be found on the parish council website www.kessinglandparishcouncil.co.uk, with the conclusion section of the response reproduced below.

The parish council recognises the strength of feeling in the village regarding this development and how it ignores the wishes of the village as determined by the Neighbourhood Plan and supported by the Waveney Local Plan. It can be seen from the number of people who attended the public meeting, have signed the petition, made public comments to the planning authority, and contacted the local media over their coverage of the application.

Thank you.

Conclusion: Extract from Full Response to East Suffolk Council

The parish council held a specific planning meeting to allow the Kessingland Community to express their views on this application and which had an attendance of around 100 people. Many of whom were there representing themselves and other individuals who could not attend. A petition has been submitted and there has been a high level of public comment to East Suffolk Planning Department. As far as we are aware there is only one single response in favour of the development as it stands. All of those who addressed the public meeting acknowledge that development of the site was agreed however that the failure to use the brownfield site, the near doubling of the number of properties along with the number of larger properties and the lack of infrastructure capacity all made this application unfeasible and unrecognisable from the development detailed in the Neighbourhood Plan with was approved by the public referendum as well as being fully supported in the Local Plan.

As well as all the positive information provided by the applicant, in preparation for the meeting councillors had also been provided with the responses which were already on the planning portal, the National, Local and Neighbourhood Policies, East Suffolk SPD's and other documents and also, of course, had access to their own personal knowledge of the village and historic work done by the parish council and other bodies.

The council does have to express concerns at the work of one of the applicant's consultants, Rossi Long Consulting. In reviewing all the documents which have been produced by them, the council has discovered errors in almost every document. It would appear that this has been a desk-top exercise resulting in a compilation of documentation from various sources, many of which are out of date and some which have absolutely no relevance to this application (for example, the Transport Assessment includes a set of traffic flow diagrams which are marked Kings Lynn and the accident information lists a doctors practice and businesses which have not been in Kessingland for over twelve years and there were more serious accidents

in Kessingland last year alone than raised in their report. More than half the report consisted of bus timetables which at a quick review had several listed as 2021 and some that, as far as we are aware, do not even run currently. The parish council are concerned that Rossi Long seem to provide responses from consultees who would normally comment on even when developments are a single property). In fact, many of the documents from this organisation seem to be packed with additional information in order to draw attention away from important information in the documents, some at least of which are unfavourable to the application.

In regard of all the previous, the council does have concerns over the development.

- the larger nature of this development than in the Neighbourhood Plan.
- the types of dwellings in relation to community needs.
- the avoidance of using a brownfield site in conjunction with greenfield sites.
- the water attenuation scheme which does not deliver on its promises.
- the issues with the sewage and drainage systems and the additional stress that the development would add to a system which Anglian Water has stated does not have the capacity to deal with the existing requirements.
- the existing flood issues within the village and the likelihood the development would impact on the flooding potential to existing properties makes this application unfeasible with substantial Grampian conditions prior to development.
- the predominance of motor vehicles in the planning of and feasibility of the site since it is more designed to bring people into the village rather than meeting the housing needs of the village; the burden the new access out onto existing properties and the additional noise and light pollution associated with the vehicles.
- the lack of a green transport plan to consider how Kessingland accesses key services which are either over-burdened or unavailable without access to a personal motor vehicle.
- The lack of community infrastructure and already stretch capacity in relation to schools, doctors, dentists, pharmacy.
- The potential environmental impact of the development without greater, non-assumed desk-based consideration.
- The lack of heritage consideration given the knowledge of historic finds in the area.
- The council also notes that many of the other consultees have concerns or actions which need to carry out prior to them looking favourably on this application.

In all, it appears that Badger Building, the applicant, have paid little attention to achieving many of the aims and policies in the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan policies nor the National Planning Policy Framework. The proposal heavily favours housing and site development strategies, whilst seemingly dismissing anything which is contrary to their development of the site. Whilst the council recognise that building is a business and must be commercially viable, that should not be at the detriment or safety of the existing community. Feedback from the one-day consultation and concerns regarding infrastructure requirements have not been addressed. Indeed, the benefits to the community, apart from additional land for the playing field, potential CIL and promised affordable housing, seem to be zero.

We thank the committee and officers for granting the parish council an extension to enable EIRs to be returned and have found the responses very telling as well as underlining the issues which this application, if approved, would make worse.

Given the lack of consideration of all the planning policies at all levels, the parish council could find no justification to look favourably on this application and indeed because of the number of policies it has ignored or benefits, has no alternative but to recommend refusal of the application and ask that the East Suffolk Planning Committee will consider this recommendation along with the concerns of other consultees and the number of public comments and petition signatories and refuse this application. Hopefully that will enable dialogue between all the parties and the community which has not happened during the pre-planning in order to consider an application which benefits Kessingland.

Holocaust Memorial Day (27th January) is the day for everyone to remember the millions of people murdered in the Holocaust, under Nazi Persecution, and in the genocides which followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia, and Darfur.

The Holocaust

Between 1941 and 1945, six million Jewish men, women and children were murdered by the Nazis and their collaborators. Their attempt to murder all the Jews in Europe, shook the foundations of civilisation.

Nazi Persecution

The Nazis targeted anyone they believed threatened their ideal of a 'pure Aryan race', including Roma and Sinti people, disabled people, gay people, political opponents and others.

Cambodia

From 1975 to 1979, the Khmer Rouge, led by Pol Pot, imposed an extremist programme to reconstruct Cambodia. Millions of people died through starvation, disease and exhaustion, and thousands were executed.

Rwanda

In a violent outpouring in 1994, approximately one million Tutsis and moderate Hutus were murdered in just 100 days in the Genocide in Rwanda.

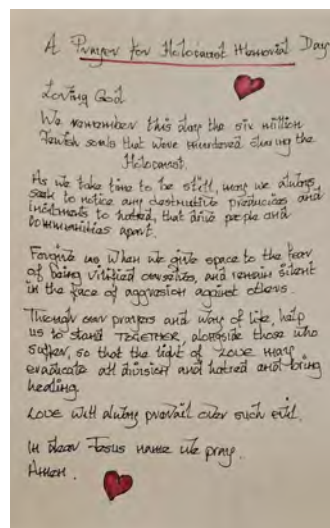
Bosnia

In July 1995, against the backdrop of an ongoing civil war, Bosnian Serb forces led by Ratko Mladić murdered around 8,000 Muslim men and boys in the town of Srebrenica.

Darfur

In 2003 a civil war began in the region of Darfur. Arab militia, known as the Janjaweed attacked black African people, destroying entire villages, murdering civilians and displacing many more.

27th January 2024 marks the 79th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi death camp. Every year on this day, the Parish Council lays a wreath in remembrance of all who died as there is a local connection to the events of the Holocaust. On December 12th 1938, more than 500 mostly Jewish children arrived in Lowestoft from Vienna, having been rescued from Nazi oppression. On arrival they were moved to Pakefield Holiday Camp (Pontins) before they moved onto permanent accommodation. This Holocaust Memorial Day also commemorates the 85th anniversary of their arrival locally. This year the wreath was laid by Cllr David Boyle on behalf of the council. The council would like to give a special "Thank You" to Pauline Shipley for making the beautiful wreath.



If you would like to learn more about the Holocaust and Genocides, or how to participate in future memorials, please visit the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust website www.hmd.org.uk for more information.



Transformed
by Christ

Prophetic

Prayerful

Pastoral

From The Rectory Revd Mandy writes: February 2024

From the Rectory, Mandy writes about Striving for Peace

It is a prayer on my lips daily, and in my heart constantly that everyone seeks peace in their life. Whether you're a national leader sitting across a table from other world leaders, a tradesperson, a farmer, a fisherman, a parent trying to raise little ones or a student just trying to make it through the semester, it is my prayer that all seek peace.

Some people will go to extraordinary limits to find peace, but the sad truth is that most of us experience more stress than peace, even if we are trying to promote all that is good for peace. I suspect we've all had days like the prophet Jeremiah when he cried out "*Peace, peace, when there is no peace*" (Jer. 6:14).

So, where can we go to find peace? The Bible talks about peace related to God, and I would encourage you to discern if perhaps the bible texts mentioned in this short message, may be the beginning of lasting peace for your life, but before we get into the bible a bit of light humour for you:

Example: A man visited his doctor. He told the Doctor, "*I've got troubles everywhere I look. I've got troubles in my business; troubles at home; troubles in the Parish Council, the local school, the local mid-week groups, my church, in fact it seems I have troubles everywhere - and I'm just plain stressed out! Please give me something to relieve my stress*".

The man took his prescription and rushed off to the village pharmacy. The pharmacist looked at the prescription and said "*I'm sorry, but I can't fill the prescription, we don't stock this here. If you want this medicine, go home and read your Bible, or go and visit your local Rector or church.*"

The prescription read:

- to be prayed before breakfast: "*Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, do not be afraid*" (John 14: 27).
- to be prayed 3 times a day after meals: "*Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone*" (Rom12:18)
- to be prayed before bedtime: "*come to me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest*" (Matt 11:28)

Immediately, the man was quite cross and called the doctor and asked, "*What do you mean by prescribing this?*" The Doctor answered. "*Your trouble is spiritual, not physical. What you need is peace for yourself and offer peace to others; and only God can give you peace.*"

Mmmm perhaps if this story touches a nerve for us, we might just be still for a while and consider this...when all our physical solutions fail to resolve troubles, it is true that that we can experience personal peace; only when we have opened our hearts and minds to receive the unconditional gift of Peace in our life. So.....How can we do this?

Simple: seek God.

Ask, and He will answer, by inviting us to come and be in a relationship with Him. Seek the peace of God which passes all understanding, (Phil 4: 7) *wherever you venture. Strive for peace in all you say and do*

If you would like to explore the seeking of peace in your stressful life, come along to Kessingland Church any Sunday at 10.45am.

We are a Family Church, and all generations are welcome.

God bless you, and may you encounter peace in your life.

May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you and all those you love.

God be with you.

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August 2018



September 2023

Raise The Roof

WE ARE ALMOST THERE

COMING SOON

WATCH OUT FOR DATES



Community Operation Clean-up

We will be requesting help to Hoover and polish,
move furniture and reposition fabrics.

Community Celebratory Service

We will be advertising our COMMUNITY service of
celebration and blessing, and you are ALL invited

TOGETHER WE ARE DOING IT!

THANKYOU



Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy **receives prestigious Artsmark Gold Award**

Pupils and staff at Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy are celebrating after receiving a prestigious Artsmark Award in a momentous year for the programme, as it celebrates 20 years of arts, culture and creativity in schools.

The Artsmark Award is the only creative quality standard for schools, accredited by Arts Council England. It supports schools to develop and celebrate arts and cultural education, putting creativity and wellbeing at the heart of the curriculum. Artsmark ensures every young person can be creative and access a diverse, high-quality cultural education.

In order to achieve their Artsmark Gold Award, Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy had to develop their arts and culture provision to embed a broad and ambitious curriculum. This was achieved by creating an overall plan that was committed to and delivered across the whole school.

Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy was supported by Festival Bridge in planning and developing their objectives. Festival Bridge worked alongside the school at various stages to support their Artsmark Award achievement.

The Artsmark assessor commended Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy:

“Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy has used this Artsmark journey to develop your art and music curriculum, map the range of arts experiences you want every pupil to experience while they are with you and develop your practice in using arts across the curriculum.”

On receiving the award, Adrian Crossland, Headteacher, said:

“We’re extremely proud of achieving our Artsmark Gold Award. We are committed to delivering a high-quality arts and cultural education and we look forward to continuing to grow with Artsmark.”

Dr Darren Henley CBE, Chief Executive of the Arts Council, said:

“I would like to congratulate Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy on their Artsmark Award. Becoming an Artsmark school demonstrates that through offering a broad, ambitious, and creative curriculum, every pupil can develop character and resilience, increasing their knowledge, curiosity and skills that will remain with them through to adult life.”



Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy Strike Gold Again!

The school is delighted to share that Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy has been awarded the School Games Gold Mark Award.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community.

On receiving the award, Adrian Crossland, Headteacher, said:

"I am so pleased that the outstanding provision at Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy has been acknowledged by School Games. The school provides a number of clubs throughout the week and every single one is very well attended. It is fantastic to see our pupils enjoying all aspects of school sport and I am extremely grateful to every member of staff and volunteer who continues to provide these wonderful opportunities."



Parish Council School Competitions

Year 3 and Year 4 Pumpkin Carving Competition

Congratulations to all of the participants who entered the Year 3 and Year 4 Parish Council Pumpkin Competition. The judges were incredibly impressed by the entries, and it was very difficult to choose the winners. The Parish Council were eventually able to choose a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place entry for each year group and all six received vouchers as prizes. Well done to everyone who entered!



Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Bauble Competition

Congratulations to all of the participants who entered the Year 1 and Year 2 Parish Council Christmas Bauble Competition. The decorations were fantastic, and they all looked amazing on the community tree. The Parish Council chose three baubles in each year group and awarded a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, each receiving vouchers as prizes.



School Choir

Members of the school choir brought Christmas cheer to the residents of Manor Farm Care Home. They sang Christmas songs, traditional and new, and brought smiles to everyone's faces. We were incredibly proud of all the children who took part and would like to thank everyone at Manor Farm Care Home for making us feel so welcome.



Seagull Theatre Pantomime

The children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 had an exciting school trip to the Seagull Theatre at the start of December. The pantomime was brilliant, and the children and staff even had the opportunity to join in.

The children loved seeing the elf and reindeer but especially the naughty snowman. We then heard which staff were on Santa's naughty list! A massive thank you to everyone who made the trip possible. This includes the Seagull Theatre, the Friends of the School and Parish Council for subsidising the trip.

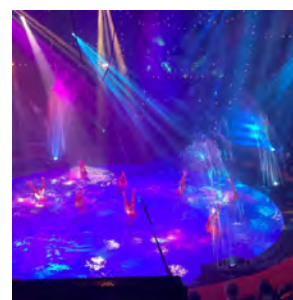
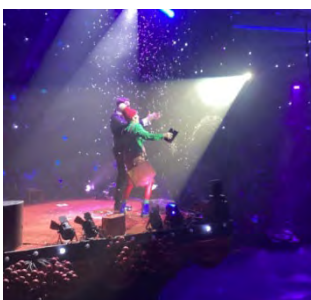
We were incredibly proud of all the children and how they actively participated in the show.



Hippodrome Circus Trip

The children from Year 2 to Year 6 visited the Hippodrome Circus Christmas Spectacular at the end of last term and what a show they saw! From the acrobats, dancers and swimmers to the very cheeky comedian, there really was something for everyone. It was a real joy to see the excitement and awe on the children's faces as they watched the different acts. They also did our school proud with how well they behaved and how polite they were.

A huge thank you needs to go out to the Friends of the School and the Parish Council who both supported with the funding of this fantastic event. Without this support, it would not have been possible. We are so glad that we were able to provide the children of our school with such an amazing experience.



Christmas Performances

This year the pupils at Kessingland Church of England Primary Academy put on 8 Christmas plays and performed in front of nearly 900 people across 4 days.

The week started with two fantastic performances by our EYFS children of 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel'. The second day we were treated to two incredible performances of 'The Big Little Nativity' by KS1 and day 3 saw our Year 5 and 6 pupils perform a wonderful retelling of the story of The First Christmas. Our final performance of the week was a 'Fireside Nativity' performed by our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils.

The pupils all sang and signed beautifully, confidently performed their lines and also showed wonderful acting skills. We are so proud of everyone who took part in the performances.

After each performance the audiences were asked for feedback. Here are just a few of the wonderful comments the children received:

"Fabulous show, lovely to see so many happy faces!"

"Excellent performance. Brought a tear to my eye listening to the children singing solo".

"It was a real privilege to watch. Things like this bring such joy – it is what Christmas is all about."

"Loved that it was related to the Real Christmas Story and the birth of our Lord."

"Absolutely lovely! Highlight of my year."

"An amazing performance, so loud and clear. Amazing singing with actions!"

"Awesome to see true inclusion."

"What a performance! Every child had an important role, and the singing rounds were so impressive. Brought a tear to my eye. Well done everyone!"



Christingle Service

On the 19th December we joined together as a school family for our Christingle Service. This included songs, readings and prayers. Reverend Mandy told us the story of the first Christingle and we even made our own human Christingle! We then thought about how we are all like little lights and how we should shine brightly so others can see us shine. The Year 6 children lit their Christingle and then we all took part in singing and signing 'The 12 Days of Christmas' before our final reflection.



Kessingland United Working Men's Club



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Affiliated to the CIU

The Club has been very busy Christmas and New Year went well too. We've had a couple of Parties, and the club was heaving. We are very much looking forward to another successful year.

Don't forget you can hire the hall or lounge for Parties. For Wakes they are free. If you would like to book for a Party or Wake, please email with date and time and also give a contact telephone number.

Date for your Diary:

After popular demand we will be having another talk from Mary Newton, a Retired Forensic Scientist. Her talk will be on "Rape - small word big meaning". **Thursday 16th May** 7:00pm for 7.30pm, tickets £6. Should be another very interesting evening SO WATCH THIS SPACE. Tickets will be on sale soon.



Slimming World:

Now increased to two classes on Tuesdays (5:30pm and 7:00pm) with new consultant Louise.
We wish them every success.

Subs. These were due at the end of December and can be paid to the Club Secretary on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday evening 7pm to 10pm. New Members are always welcome.

Saturday Entertainment for February & March:

FEBRUARY

3 rd	-	Memphis Index
10 th	-	Kevin Solo
17 th	-	Just Andy.
24 th	-	Class Act

MARCH

2 nd	-	The Riffits
9 th	-	Steve Allen
16 th	-	K C R
23 rd	-	Kemmy Lee & The Hustler
30 th	-	Tony Barker

The Darts Team are doing well. We also have a full-size pool table which has just been refurbished and is very popular.

Bingo Over 60's is on Monday and Wednesday evenings and Sunday Lunch time. We have a large car park with lights and disabled entrances and disabled toilet.

The WI meet on Second Thursday 7pm where we normally have very good speakers. VISITORS £5.

President: R A Hood
Society Registration No: 4343

Secretary: R Gasking
VAT Registration No: 105 2958



Kessingland WI has around 36 Inspiring Women members. Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Kessingland Working Men's Club, starting at 7.30pm.

Kessingland Women's Institute would like to wish everyone a very happy and prosperous New Year.

In December we held our famous Christmas Party with entertainment from Just Andy. We also had food from each member. The food ranged from plenty of cheese to homemade chocolate eclairs which everyone enjoyed.

At our first meeting of 2024 on 11th January, we sang Jerusalem. We were also treated to a poem read by Christine Mabb. We also presented prizes for the members who won in our competitions and Bloom of the month for 2023.

Competition results were as follows:

Third place:	Karelyn Smithson
Second place:	Pauline Shipley
First place:	Sandra Warner

Each member got a prize, and first place got a cup.

Bloom of the Month results were as follows:

Third Place:	Karelyn Smithson
Second Place:	Margaret Thurston
First place:	Connie Niblett

Each member got a prize, and first place got a cup.

We then went speed dating in our WI style where we had to talk to each member and discoveries were made.

Our first competition of 2024 was the picture of a 'Heartthrob'; we had 5 entries for this which ranged from David Cassidy to a fisherman. The results as were as follows:

Third place:	Margaret Parker
Second place:	Karelyn Smithson
First place:	Jill Traynier

For the first bloom of the month of 2024, we had 5 entries for this month. The results were as follows:

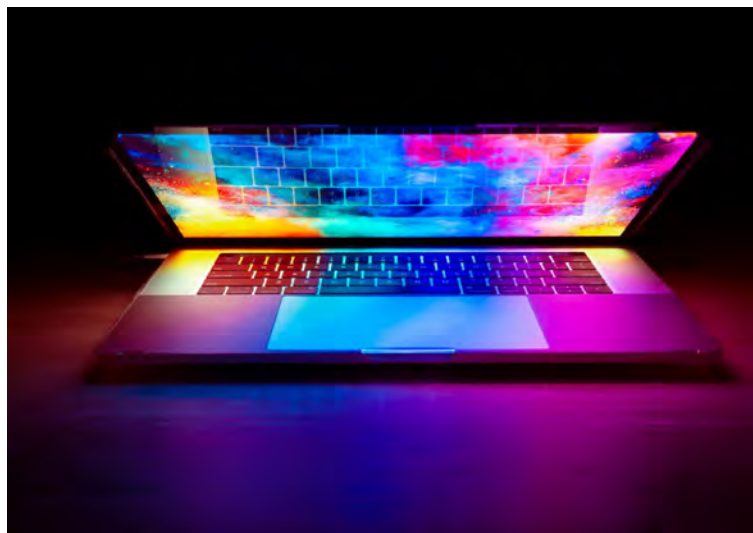
Third place:	Margaret Brooke
Second place:	Connie Niblett
First place:	Pauline Shipley

Members whose birthdays was this month were presented with our very own craft club made birthday cards.

Walking Group: the walk was cancelled due to inclement weather. They will next be walking in Southwold. The Craft Club are making birthday cards for each member's birthday. In December the Lunch Club went to 'Spring Tide' for their Christmas meal which was enjoyed by those who went.

The next meeting is on Thursday 8th February and the speaker is Georgette Vale talking about 'Julian and Margery' Live history talks and the competition is a Norfolk Picture with a historical theme which can be bought from a charity shop or auction. Bloom of the month will be as usual.

For more information about joining or visiting Kessingland WI please contact our secretary Margaret Parker on 01502 740785.



Calling all Suffolk High Schools and parents of year 8 and 9 students

There are just a few spaces left on the FREE Cyber First Investigator training course on 23rd March in Ipswich.

The course is being run by the National Cyber Security Centre to help students explore their passion for computers and technology and introducing them to the fascinating world of cyber security.

On the day, you will be role-playing as cyber security experts working for a fictitious app company, Sirius Cyberworks. Unfortunately, disaster has struck and there has been a serious breach of the company network – a new flagship app has been leaked.

Your role is to uncover how the leak happened whilst learning new cyber skills along the way. The course content is designed around four modules:

Digital Forensics - Detect misconduct or trace suspicious activity. Channel your inner investigator to find evidence on computers, mobile phones, and other digital devices.

Cryptography - Crack the codes. In this exciting module, teams will be challenged to use creative ideas to solve problems and design new systems.

Penetration Testing - Stop malicious hackers in their tracks. Discover how to identify different groups that conduct cyber-attacks, their motivations and penetration methodologies.

Open Source Intelligence - Find intelligence sources. Everything you do online leaves a digital footprint; how will you protect it?

The course will be on Saturday 23rd March from 9am to 4pm. For safeguarding purposes, venue details are released only to registered attendees closer to the time.

Reserve your place here:

www.qa.com/training/courses/cyber-security/cyberfirst/cyberfirst-investigators/

The Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS) is taking enforcement action and warning consumers about a brand of e-bike battery – UPP – that has been linked to several fires across England. Amazon, AliBaba, eBay and Made in China have been issued with Withdrawal Notices which require them, in their roles as distributors of the product, to stop supplying the UPP battery. OPSS has also issued a Withdrawal Notice to 20 sellers directly and has also issued a Withdrawal Notice to the China-based manufacturer.

The product presents a serious risk of fire as it is poorly built with poor welding to connect the components. The product also did not have a heat sensor to prevent overheating, with the battery management system not sufficient to prevent the battery from entering thermal runaway.

Consumers are being advised not to use the battery and contact the seller for further redress. Batteries can also be disposed of in local household recycling centres; however consumers should check first with their local centre if they accept this type of battery.

E-bikes and e-scooters use large lithium-ion batteries which can present a risk of serious fire or explosion in certain circumstances. While these can be used safely, there have been several fire incidents involving lithium-ion batteries in e-bikes and e-scooters, including in conversion kits. You should follow these five steps when purchasing, using, or charging your e-bike or e-scooter to reduce fire risks:

Step 1: RESEARCH – only BUY an e-bike, e-scooter, charger or battery from a known seller and check any product reviews.

Step 2: READ – always READ and FOLLOW the manufacturer’s instructions for charging and using e-bikes or e-scooters.

Step 3: CHECK – not all e-bike or e-scooter batteries and chargers are compatible or safe when used together. Check and only USE the manufacturer’s recommended battery or charger.

Step 4: CHARGE – always charge in a safe place without blocking exits and always UNPLUG your charger when you have finished charging.

Step 5: NEVER – attempt to modify or tamper with your battery.



SAFETY WARNING



OPSS is taking enforcement action and warning consumers about a dangerous e-bike battery manufactured by a company called UPP.



Register ✓
my appliance
registermyappliance.org.uk

More than 40 million large appliances in use in UK homes are unlikely to be registered with the manufacturers, rendering them extremely hard to trace if a safety repair is ever needed.

Trading Standards is supporting Register My Appliance Week and urging all households to take the simplest and most important act of care: registering their home appliances to ensure their brands know where to find them. Whether machines are newly-purchased, long-installed, have been acquired ‘nearly-new’ or second-hand, registration is vital to help ensure the longest possible safe lifespan.

www.registermyappliance.org.uk/registration/

Village Clean-Up Teams



The Village clean-up teams are out & about again after their Christmas break - on a Thursday for verge and promenade clearing, and organized litter picking groups going around the Village on a Friday morning. All of our volunteers are doing a great job keeping the Village nice and tidy whether as part of the organized groups or on days to suit them.

The Monday beach cleans will be starting again in March (weather dependent). Thank you in advance to all our volunteers who help to keep it clean & tidy.

More volunteers, for litter picking & work at the Marsh, are always needed. So, if you have an hour or two to spare, please contact Cllr David Boyle for more details.

Telephone: 07707 201300

Email: dboyle@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk

Come and join our friendly Team.

(all equipment provided)



VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Are you fed up with seeing litter all over the place?

Fed up with seeing overgrown paths & alleyways?

Street signs that are so dirty they are difficult to read?

If so, would you be prepared to give up an hour or two each week, on a day to suit you or as part of our organised group on a Monday & Friday morning, to make this village a better place to live and visit. All equipment will be provided.

For more information, please contact either:

the Council Office: 01502 744367
admin@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk

or Cllr David Boyle: 07707 201300
dboyle@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk

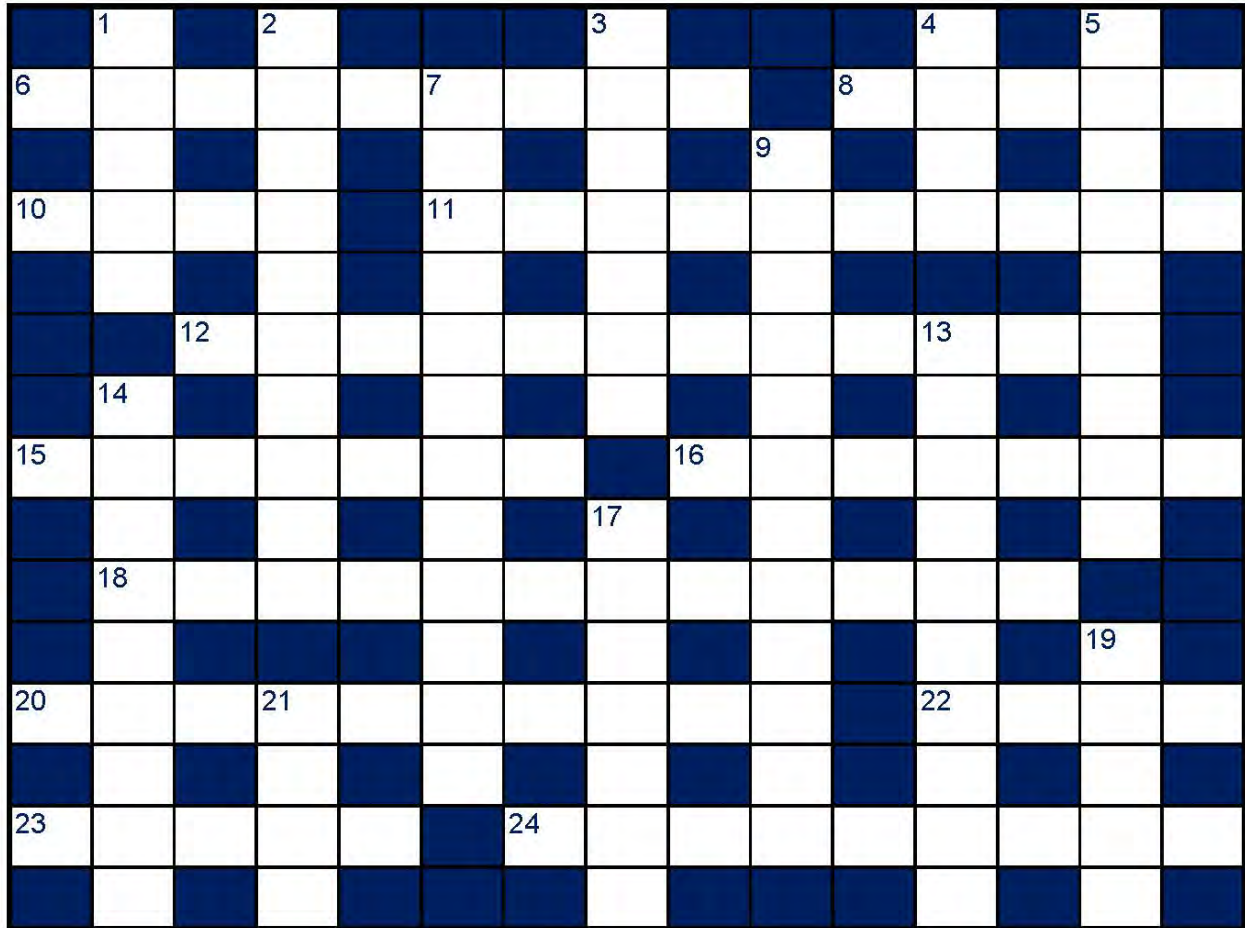


Kessingland Parish Council
Parish Council Office, First Floor, Marram Green, Hall Road, Kessingland NR33 7PP

Telephone: 01502 744367
Email: admin@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk
Web: www.kessinglandparishcouncil.co.uk



No: 101-18



Across:

- 6 Party electioneer (9)
- 8 Make modifications to (5)
- 10 Mix with a spoon (4)
- 11 London landmark near Hyde Park (6,4)
- 12 Sitcom with Arabella Weir (3,5,4)
- 15 Dire lack of money (7)
- 16 Mid-Kent town (7)
- 18 A bit too careful (12)
- 20 Naval war vessel (10)
- 22 Pirelli product (4)
- 23 Fur neckwear item (5)
- 24 Showy shrub with clustered flowers (9)

Down:

- 1 Full of flavour (5)
- 2 All over the place (10)
- 3 Upstairs area (7)
- 4 Brainwave (4)
- 5 Earthquake's focal point (9)
- 7 Half-joined (house) (4-8)
- 9 Cinderella's missing shoe (5,7)
- 13 Acting as a deterrent (3-7)
- 14 Be squandered (2,2,5)
- 17 BBC TV's health editor (4,3)
- 19 Hard-hearted, unkind (5)
- 21 Put at an angle (4)



Kessingland Parish Council



If you, or someone you know, are worried about the increasing cost of living, please use the contact details below:

	For help with Local Welfare Assistance Scheme & Household Support www.suffolk.gov.uk/costofliving 0345 606 6067
	For help with Finances/Food & Essentials/Fuel & Energy/Housing www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/community/squeeze 0333 016 2000
	For general enquiries www.kessinglandparishcouncil.co.uk 01502 744367 admin@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk

Where you can get information & advice about what help & services are available to you.

Further information will be published in future issues of The Village News

Disability Advice

North East Suffolk

Free, Impartial & Confidential



#IAmConfident 

I am a Mental Health First Aider 

We offer a **FREE** Information & Advice, for anyone with a Disability, their carers, family or professionals.

Our Adviser will be at Marram Green, Kessingland, in the Kittiwake Room, between 9.30 & 12.30 for a drop-in service to assist with your enquiries such as benefits, transport, mobility, grants.

Next drop in – 31/01/24, 28/02/24, 27/03/24, 24/04/24, 29/05/24, 26/06/24, 31/07/24, 28/08/24, 25/09/24, 30/10/24, 27/11/24.

Contact us for details
01502 511333
info@danesonline.co.uk

DANES will next be at Marram Green on 28th February, 9:30am – 12:30pm



PET FOOD PANTRY

Helping Pet Owners in Need

FOOD PROVISIONS

The RSPCA, Morrisons & Kessingland Spar have kindly donated a supply of wet/dry dog & cat food to the Parish Council to help pet owners who are struggling financially during the cost-of-living crisis.



WHO CAN APPLY?



Pet owners who live within the parish of Kessingland

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the Parish Council for help by telephone or email:

Tel: 01502 744367

Email: admin@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk

A small selection of pet food is available at the Community Fridge in the Library. Please **only take what you really need** as supplies are very limited. If you require urgent additional help, please contact the Council office.

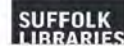


Kessingland Library
Marram Green
Hall Road
Kessingland NR33 7AH

OPENING TIMES

MONDAY:	Closed
TUESDAY:	12:00 – 17:00
WEDNESDAY:	10:00 – 17:00
THURSDAY:	Closed
FRIDAY:	12:00 – 17:00
SATURDAY:	10:00 – 15:00
SUNDAY:	10:00 – 15:00

Be part of the nationwide initiative to reduce food waste in our community



FREE PRIDE AND PERIODS MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS HERE

Take a look at what we have available on our community shelves. No need to apply, no questions asked.



Kessingland Library, Marram Green, Hall Road, NR33 7AH

We're here to help

Whatever the problem, we're here for free, impartial and confidential advice



Call us on 0808 278 7866

Lines are open 10am to 2 pm Monday to Friday

or email us from our website caes.org.uk



Our offices are in :
Beccles • Felixstowe • Leiston • Lowestoft
plus outreach centres across the region

Transformed by Christ Prophetic Prayerful Pastoral

Kessingland Church: SUPPORTS

WHERE CAN I DONATE FOOD?

Kessingland Church Centre when attending any group
Saturdays 10-12noon Sundays 10.30- 12noon

The Rectory 1 Wash Lane ANYTIME
We also take perishable food at The Rectory & hygiene products.

The Co-op Field Lane have a designated Basket for Food Bank

The SPAR in the High Street have a designated Basket for Food Bank

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Food is donated by lovely people, like you, at drop-off points. This is collected, and taken to a consolidation place in Lowestoft. From there it is sorted and distributed in food hampers to feed a family or individual for three days. Contents provide items for complete meals.

In addition Food Bank network helps people break free from poverty by providing additional support to help people resolve the crises they're facing so that they don't need to use a food bank again in the future.

This could include things like debt advice, mental health support, or benefits guidance. **Food banks rely on the support of their local communities to support people in crisis.**

DO LOCAL PEOPLE BENEFIT?

YES. Care professionals such as health visitors, staff at schools and social workers identify people in crisis and either issue them with a food bank voucher or direct them to: **The Lowestoft Food Bank is located at 5-6 Bevan Street E, Lowestoft NR32 2AA.** The food bank is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10.00 AM to 12.00 PM. You can contact them at **07307 866146.** This means people can receive a food bank parcel of three days' **nutritionally balanced**, food from their local food bank.

**THANKYOU, THANKYOU LOVELY DONORS
THANKYOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

Kessingland Help in Need Trust (KHINT)

Supporting the community of Kessingland

Charity number 242755

- Advice, signposting and assistance with:-
- Essential household items
 - Appropriate garden services and household/building repairs
 - Help towards funeral costs
 - Help with the cost of hospital visiting

For further information please contact clerk.khint@btinternet.com

Community Noticeboard
Events, Competitions & Local Groups



PARENT CONNECT

A FRIENDLY INFORMAL GROUP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN WITH MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING CHALLENGES

MEET EACH WEEK WITH AN EXPERIENCED PRACTITIONER

A SAFE SPACE TO SHARE FRUSTRATIONS AND TALK ABOUT SUPPORT

FREE TO ATTEND
SATURDAY MORNINGS 11.00AM - 12.00PM

SEAGULL THEATRE

TO BOOK PLEASE EMAIL
BOOKINGS@WELL-CHILD.CO.UK

EMAIL : BOOKINGS@WELL-CHILD.CO.UK

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Do You Love To Sing?

Then.....
Come And Join Us!
If you're looking for a fun, friendly and welcoming group, Look No Further!!!

Find Us On Facebook @TheScreamin'Seagulls
Email us on: screaming.seagulls.lowestoft@gmail.com
Phone: 07748671336
We Rehearse Every Monday Evening In Lowestoft 7-9pm

April – Sep Tues Evening Sessions

Family Memberships Available

Trips all year round

Age 10 +

Lots of fun!

COME JOIN IN... LOWESTOFT & DISTRICT CANOE CLUB

Kayaking, Canoeing, Paddle Boards & Water Safety
Our family friendly club is run entirely on a voluntary basis and gets involved in many forms of kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding. The club owns a large fleet of kayaks, canoes and paddle boards for both junior and senior paddlers and all the equipment you need to paddle for hire.

www.membermojo.co.uk/lcdcwaitinglist

Watersports Centre, Nicholas Everitt Park, Oulton Broad, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR33 9JR

GO TO THE LINK OR QR CODE ON THE LEFT TO JOIN OUR WAITING LIST AND TO FIND OUT MORE!

lowestoft.canoe@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/LowestoftCanoeClub/

Version 1.0/2024

SUNDAY CLASSICS FILM CLUB

FREE FILM SCREENINGS
ONE SUNDAY A MONTH
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED
SING-A-LONG INCLUDED

A DEMENTIA ACCESSIBLE EVENT

Cafe Opens : 1.30pm
Film Starts : 2.30pm

01502 589726
info@theseagull.co.uk
MORTON ROAD, LOWESTOFT, NR33 0JH



SUNDAYS 10.45am
 at
The Church Centre



Whilst our beautiful Church is receiving repair and restoration, come and support us and be part of the journey at The Church Centre



Available to Hire.
 Contacts Pat Briggs
 01502 740478

Parking, Disable Access & Toilets,
 Kitchen and Tables



Meetings, Children's Parties, Events.

Community Lunch

4th Wednesday monthly.
 £6 for 2 courses + drink

Kessingland Church Centre



**Book through Margaret 740748
 or Anne 742012**



Community Noticeboard

Activities & Groups: Kessingland Church Centre



You are invited to join us
Saturday February 17th

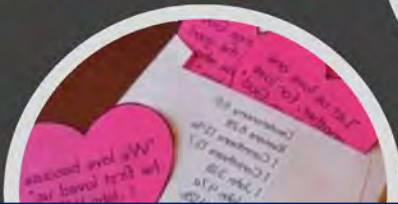
Kessingland Church Centre
1.30-3.30pm

We will hear everything about God's love for the prodigal son.

Create and make, celebrate that God Loves You, and come to share food and friendship.

Messy Church is a Family Church that invites you and your family. If you have a strong faith, a little faith or have no faith but are curious.

RSVP: janetmpallister40@gmail.com



EVERYONE is WELCOME



Why not come along and give it a try?

Choir Master: Colin Jobson
colinlinda108@icloud.com
Or

Come along on a Sunday morning at 10.45am and speak with Colin in person

EVERYONE is welcome at Kessingland Church

We currently have 11 choristers
We only have one male chorister and are seeking other male voices in addition to new female choristers

KESSINGLAND CHURCH CHOIR

Singing is good for you and FUN



If you would like to join us
(We are VERY Friendly and welcoming)

'St Edmunds Ladies Group'
Come...Bring a friend.
Tuesdays Monthly
Kessingland Church Centre
2-4pm
ALL WELCOME



Cinema Outings



Fun & Laughter

FREE of charge



Tea, cake and friendship



Speakers

ALL ARE WELCOME:
2nd Tuesday each month

PS...Men are also welcome

Speak to Anne 01502 7424654

ALL are very welcome to this very friendly Group



Kessingland Gardeners Club

Programme 2024



January 8th
 February 12th
 March 11th
 April 8th
 May 13th
 June 10th
 July 8th
 August 12th
 September 9th
 October 14th
 November 11th
 December 9th

AGM followed by an illustrated talk by **Tony Brown**
 Not just slugs & snails that like hostas: **Ken Abel**
 From field to garden: **Jane Bastow**
 More about the Exotic Garden: **Andrew Brogen**
 Tony Brown Entertains
 Strawberry Fair
 All about Salvias: **Luci Skinner**
 Pelargoniums explained: **Ken Abel**
 An evening visit to the Exotic Garden: **Andrew Brogen**
 To be Arranged
 Dahlias and Begonias: **Donny Andrews**
 Christmas Party

Meeting at
Kessingland Church Centre
Second Monday Monthly
7.30pm

Chairman / Secretary: Tony Brown
 31 Field Lane, Kessingland NR33 7QA
tonybrownrwt@gmail.com
Treasurer: Anne Henwood
 01502 349068
Committee:
 Margaret Crisp Ivy Tibbenham Len Allen Sue Lain

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Norwich

Transformed by
Christ:

Prayerful

Pastoral

Prophetic

Every Saturday 10am—12noon
 Kessingland Church Centre

Saturday Coffee at St Ed's

CAKES

FRIENDLY, WARM, SPACIOUS

FUN and LAUGHTER

QUALITY PRE-LOVED ITEMS

LOTS OF EASY PARKING

DISABLED ACCESS

WONDERFUL WELCOME

COME.....

TOGETHER WE CAN DO IT

Craft for Children

1500 4 915

Community Noticeboard

Activities & Groups: Kessingland Sports & Social Centre



Games, Fun & Entertainment with

Barrie Thornton

Pizza & Hotdogs
Hot & Cold Drinks

£3.00 per child

Wednesday, 14th February 2024

6:30pm – 9:30pm

at the KSSC, Francis Road

Valentine's Day Party

12 – 16 years

To book your place:

Text: 07729 384705 / Email: ksscbooking@hotmail.com

When booking, please make sure to include your child's/children's details



DO YOU LIKE TO DANCE?

COME AND JOIN OUR GROUP DANCING FRIENDS

EVERY MONDAY EVENING
7.30pm

KESSINGLAND SPORTS & SOCIAL CENTRE
FRANCIS ROAD, KESSINGLAND, NR33 7PU



ALL TYPES OF DANCES, INCLUDING JIVE, ROCK 'n' ROLL, MODERN DANCE, LINE DANCING etc
IF YOU JUST ENJOY DANCING COME ALONG AND JOIN IN A FUN EVENING

ENTRANCE: £5.00 per person
FOR MORE INFORMATION, RING: SUE DYER 07731 380691

KESSINGLAND YOUTH CAFÉ

FEBRUARY 2024

Wednesday
7th and 21st February

Session 1 6:45pm 7:45pm Age Group: 10yrs to 13yrs	Session 2 8:00pm 9:00pm Age Group: 13yrs to 16yrs
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FREE ACTIVITIES **SNACK SHOP**

at the KSSC Francis Road Kessingland

Kessingland

Friendship Club

The Kessingland Friendship Club meets at the KSSC on alternate Thursdays from 2.00pm until 4.00pm

Come and join in with us and make new friends, enjoy a cup of tea and a biscuit in convivial surroundings, join in the bingo and try and win the raffle!

The Friendship Club also organises and runs outings, social events and long weekend breaks for members and friends, so don't be left out – come along to one of our meetings and join in!

For more information, please contact Helen Sinfield on 01502 741424



KESSINGLAND



CLUB

WE MEET EVERY TUESDAY & FRIDAY AFTERNOONS 1.45 PM FOR START AT 2PM UNTIL 4PM

PAY & PLAY, NO MEMBERSHIP FEE

£3.00 PER SESSION INCLUDING REFRESHMENTS

FIRST TIME? PLAY FOR FREE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:-

WAYNE THOMPSON ON 07557 030442

WE ARE A FRIENDLY CLUB LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

KESSINGLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE FRANCIS ROAD KESSINGLAND

Shotokan Karate Classes

First Two lessons free



Kessingland Sports & Social Centre
Francis Rd, Kessingland

Friday's 6 -7:30pm
Starting 2nd Feb 2024

Sensei Mark Owers
3rd Dan ESA Instructor



Family Class age 7+

Email: kesskarate@btinternet.com

Other Groups at the KSSC:

Tuesdays:

- Waveney Table Tennis
10am – 12pm
- Short Mat Bowls
2pm – 4pm
- Badminton
7pm – 9pm

Wednesdays:

- Knit and Natter
9:45am – 11:45am
- Youth Café (1st & 3rd Wednesdays)
6:45pm – 9pm

Thursdays:

- Chair-based Exercise (alternate weeks)
9:30am – 10:30am
- Pilates
6pm – 7pm
- Model Flying Club
7:30pm – 10pm

Fridays:

- Shotokan Karate
6pm – 7:30pm

For Bookings:

- Telephone: 07729 384705
- Email: ksscbooking@hotmail.com



Prayer Group

Every Wednesday 7.30 on zoom

Any prayers left in prayer box included



Community Noticeboard

Activities & Groups: Kessingland Library & Marram Green



SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

WHERE I BELONG

Library Opening Times

SUNDAY	10am – 3pm
MONDAY	Closed
TUESDAY	12pm - 5pm
WEDNESDAY	10am – 5pm
THURSDAY	Closed
FRIDAY	12pm - 5pm
SATURDAY	10am – 3pm

Take a look at our website for up to date info on all our event and activities.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook!

Find us at: Marram Green, Hall Road, NR33 7NY

suffolklibraries.co.uk/kessinglandlibrary



By donating to Suffolk Libraries you can help us fund crucial additional services that reduce social, digital and rural isolation in our communities. For details visit www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/donate

BBHC charity number: XT34275

SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

WHERE I BELONG

Regular Library Activities

SUNDAY	10:30-12 - Craft & Play
TUESDAY	10am - Baby Bounce
TUESDAY	11-11:45 - Stay & Play
WEDNESDAY	2:45 - Bingo
FRIDAY	10am - Baby Bounce
FRIDAY	2:30pm - Scrabble
FRIDAY	2pm - BYO craft club

Take a look at our website for all our activities

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook!

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SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

KESSINGLAND LIBRARY

CROSSWORD COMPETITION

£1 PER SHEET
RETURN COMPLETED
TO ENTER PRIZE
DRAW



Monthly crossword competition created specially for Kessingland Library

Community Noticeboard

Activities & Groups: Kessingland Library & Marram Green



SCRABBLE

Every Friday

2:30pm

JOIN US FOR SCRABBLE ON A FRIDAY AFTERNOON

£1 PER PLAYER WITH HOT DRINK AND SWEET TREATS INCLUDED



SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

BINGO!

Every Wednesday in Marram Green Cafe

Hot drink and biscuits included plus prizes for every round.



SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

wordplay

BABY BOUNCE & TOT ROCK

FREE ACTIVITY

UNDER FOURS

Tuesdays & Fridays

10am

Followed by a cuppa & biscuits



SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

WHERE I BELONG

CHILDREN'S

craft

Every Saturday & Sunday

FREE ACTIVITY

10:30 - 12:00

Including snacks!

Kessingland Library, Marram Green



By donating to Suffolk Libraries you can help us fund crucial additional services that reduce social, digital and rural isolation in our communities. For details visit www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/donate HMRC charity number: XT34475

Community Noticeboard

Activities & Groups: Kessingland Library & Marram Green



FREE! **DRAMA & DISCOVERY**

FREE DRAMA WORKSHOPS FOR HOME EDUCATED CHILDREN 7-13 YEARS OLD

WEDNESDAYS 10.00AM-11.30AM
FEBRUARY 7, 14, 28
MARCH 6, 13, 20, 27
More dates to follow!

Scan here for more information

FOR BOOKING EMAIL honey.rose.creativearts@gmail.com

The Spinnaker Room @ Kessingland Library NR33 7AH

www.honeyrosecreativearts.co.uk

CREATIVITY-CONFIDENCE-COMMUNITY

Marram Green coffee and friends events

Mates on Monday
Marram Green Community Lounge
Hall Road Kessingland NR33 7AH

Supported by Kessingland Parish Council
Formerly MeetupMonday
We're Back!

Join us on Mondays (except Bank Holidays) 10.30 am until 12.30pm

Do you feel like the weekend has dragged?
Are you fed up with your own company?
Maybe you are new to the area?

You are invited to come along and enjoy a free cuppa, cake or biscuit & a friendly chat.

COVID SAFETY
For everyone's safety, when arriving for the first time, you will be asked to provide contact details.

Rural Coffee Caravan, The Green & Forest, Meet Up Mondays, More Than A Shop

Rural Coffee Caravan is a registered charity. No.1187423

CHAIR YOGA

Gentle exercise designed for people with mobility issues

Come & join us for a chair yoga class led by Jan Lacey, BWY Dip, a qualified & experienced British Wheel of Yoga teacher

Every Thursday 11:00 until 12:00

£5.00 per session

The Spinnaker Room
Marram Green (Ground Floor), Hall Road, Kessingland

Other Groups at Marram Green:

Tuesdays:

- Yoga with Aleyna (Spinnaker Room) 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Wednesdays:

- Kessingland Art Group (Spinnaker Room) 1pm – 3pm

Thursdays:

- Yoga with Aleyna (Spinnaker Room) 6:30pm – 7:30pm

For Compass Suite Bookings:
Telephone: 01502 744367
Email: admin@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk



**ONE ITEM IN THE
WRONG BIN CAN'T
HURT, CAN IT?**

**YES
IT CAN!**

**LET'S GET REAL
ABOUT RECYCLING**

#RecycleWeek



 **Suffolk recycles**

Community Recycling



Kessingland Church Centre Carpark **CLOTHES BANK**

Serving our Community.
Serving those in need



Support Suffolk Libraries:
Donate to our fundraising
RECYCLING SCHEME

**WE'RE A
CHARITY**

suffolklibraries.co.uk/support-us

♻️ OLD AND FOREIGN CURRENCY

♻️ MOBILE PHONES

♻️ STAMPS

♻️ TABLETS AND GAMES CONSOLES

BOOKS / USED PRINTER CARTRIDGES

Kessingland Library
Marram Green, Hall Road, Kessingland NR33 7AH

UNWANTED / USED BATTERIES

Kessingland Co-op
44-48 Field Lane, Kessingland NR33 7QA

Kessingland Library
Marram Green, Hall Road, Kessingland NR33 7AH

GLASS & BOTTLE RECYCLING

Kessingland United Working Men's Club
The Avenue, Kessingland NR33 7QD

The Sailor's Home
302 Church Road, Kessingland NR33 7SB



Volunteering Opportunities



MAKE A CHANGE BECOME A COUNCILLOR

Could you be a voice for your community?

Do you think that you would represent a different group of people on the Parish Council?

Do you have strong views about what Kessingland Parish Council should be doing?

Do you know what the Parish Council can do?

Kessingland Parish Council has a vacancy for a new councillor

If you're over eighteen years of age and live or work within Kessingland (or within three miles of the Kessingland boundary) and do not have any of the disqualifying criteria, then we would like to hear from you! Especially if you are different than the people already on the council. Kessingland is a diverse community, and the council wants to recognise, celebrate, and represent that diversity. The key qualities for a councillor are to keep an open mind and to listen to, learn about, care for and represent your community to the best of your ability.

Applying is easy, there is a short form which you can collect from the parish council or download online. Just complete and either email or drop it off at the council. You'll be invited to attend a Parish Council meeting (generally the second Wednesday each month) and tell the council more about yourself, what you can bring to the council and what you would like to achieve for the community.



If you are interested or want to know more, please speak to one of the current councillors or contact the council office. There is more info as well as information on a range of different local councillors nationally at:
<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/local-elections#what-do-local-councils-and-councillors-do>



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KESSINGLAND Community Kitchen & Wildlife Garden

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !!

Do you have some spare time?
Want to meet new people & make new friends?
Do you like nature & want to help make a difference?

Your Community Garden
Rider Haggard Lane, Kessingland

NEEDS YOU

Volunteers meet every Tuesday from 9am
We look forward to seeing you

love live Community Litter Pickers

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Are you fed up with seeing litter all over the place?
Fed up with seeing overgrown paths & alleyways?
Street signs that are so dirty they are difficult to read?

If so, would you be prepared to give up an hour or two each week, on a day to suit you or as part of our organised group on a Monday & Friday morning, to make this village a better place to live and visit. All equipment will be provided.

For more information, please contact either:
the Council Office: 01502 744367
admin@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk

or Cllr David Boyle: 07707 201300
dboyle@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk

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Kessingland Village Volunteers

Village
Recorder

Community
Gardener

Youth Club
Volunteer

Warm
Rooms
Host

Could you become a Village Volunteer and help make Kessingland a better place to live?

You don't have to have hours to give, just an interest or enthusiasm for Kessingland and how the community can come together and build a great community spirit.

The community has volunteering opportunities coming up which are shown around this box. Some may actually excite you to be involved. If any of them interest you and you would like to know more, then visit the new parish website:

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Marsh
Mate

Skills
Sharer

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Litter
Picker

Tree
Warden

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Climate
Carer

Accessibility
Auditor

Community
Fridge
Champion

Village News
Columnist

Pakefield Coastwatch

Can you spare 3-4 hours per week?

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

to assist us in safeguarding our seas and coast.

Full training given.

Contact our Station Manager on
07788 377501

Pakefield Coastwatch is a registered charity. No. 1178259

Useful Contact Information



Local Telephone Numbers

East Suffolk Council (Customer Services)	0333 0162000
East Suffolk Council (Out of Hours Emergency)	0800 440 2516
East Suffolk Council (Automated Payments)	0300 7900509
Kessingland Parish Council	01502 744367
Peter Aldous MP (Waveney)	01502 586568
Citizens Advice Bureau	01502 518510
Disability Advice North East Suffolk (DANES)	01502 511333
Suffolk County Council Highways (if immediate danger to life) or online at www.highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk	0345 6066171
Kessingland Doctors (Longshore Surgery)	01502 740203
Kessingland Pharmacy	01502 740251
James Paget Hospital A and E	01493 452200
NHS Helpline	111
Police - Emergency Only	999
Police - Non-Emergency	101
or online at www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/report-something	
Coastline Vets (Carlton Colville)	01502 531999
Three Rivers Vets (Kessingland)	01502 741988
Pakefield Vets (Pakefield)	01502 664656
Wangford Vets (Wangford)	01502 578999
Kessingland Library	01502 741212
St Edmund's Church	01502 743154
Kessingland Primary Academy	01502 740223
Kessingland Sports & Social Centre	07729 384705
Kessingland United Working Men's Club	01502 740218
Kessingland Women's Institute	01502 740785

National Organisations and Helplines

Age Concern	0800 6781602
Childline	0800 1111
NSPCC helpline	0808 800 5000
Cruse Bereavement Support	0808 8081677
Samaritans	116 123
Macmillan Cancer Support	0808 8080000
Mind Infoline	0300 1233393
Alcoholics Anonymous	0800 9177650
Refuge National Domestic Abuse Helpline	0808 2000 247
RSPCA helpline	0300 123499
RSPCA (Mid Norfolk and North Suffolk branch)	0303 040 1565
Action Fraud (Fraud & Cyber Crimes)	0300 123 2040
Suffolk Trading Standards	0808 223 1133

Crossword Corner - Solutions



No: 101-18

Across:

- 6 Canvasser
- 8 Adapt
- 10 Stir
- 11 Marble Arch
- 12 *Two Doors Down*
- 15 Poverty
- 16 Ashford
- 18 Overcautious
- 20 Battleship
- 22 Tyre
- 23 Stole
- 24 Hydrangea

Down:

- 1 Tasty
- 2 Everywhere
- 3 Bedroom
- 4 Idea
- 5 Epicentre
- 7 Semi-detached
- 9 Glass slipper
- 13 Off-putting
- 14 Go to waste
- 17 Hugh Pim
- 19 Cruel
- 21 Tilt

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If you would like to submit articles or cover photographs, the deadline for copy is 12 Noon on the 24th of each month.

Please send submissions to the Editor –
jmclean@kessinglandparishcouncil.org.uk
Articles can be half or full page.

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