



GLEMSFORD GOSSIP

Summer 2003

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Youth Facilities Park

As some of you will probably be aware, the youth facilities park is going to have to be dismantled and moved. Following complaints about the noise from the park, Babergh District Council issued Gllemsford Parish Council with a noise abatement notice, and we now have no option but to remove the park. The problem, according to Babergh, is that the equipment is now deemed to be too close to the boundary of the neighbouring property. All this, despite the site being approved when we originally decided to erect the facilities for the youngsters.

However, there is light at the end of the tunnel, and we are hoping to purchase the land at the rear of Tower Meadow. We will then be able to re-site the youth facilities park, with funding from Babergh District Council. Unfortunately, this is not going to be immediate, but Babergh will let us have the final figures after their meeting in September.

When the park is re-sited Babergh would like us to add a teen shelter, which we will do, providing the necessary funding is forthcoming.

The Parish Council would

like to set up a meeting with the youngsters before the park is re-sited as their input into the site is invaluable.

We realise that this is going to be an inconvenience for the youngsters in the village, and can only apologise, but would suggest that if you have any queries about the re-siting to call either the Clerk, or go straight to Sue Herne at Babergh on 01473 825871.

WANTED

Babergh District Council is seeking someone to assist with the preparation of the Register of Electors for Gllemsford. This is a casual position commencing in mid-October and finishing on 21st November 2003. It involves the collection of Registration of Electors forms from all properties where a form has not been returned by post. Payment for the work is on a per form basis (currently £2.65 per form collected).

Anyone interested in undertaking this work should apply in writing to the Electoral and Administrative Services Manager, Babergh District Council, Corks Lane, Hadleigh, Ipswich, Suffolk. IP7 6SJ by 12th September 2003. Please provide details of relevant previous experience, if any. If you have any questions about what the job involves, please telephone 01473 825713 or 01473 825891.

Beat Officers

Gllemsford, along with many of the surrounding villages, are now lucky enough to have two parish beat officers, instead of one. PC Brendan McKenna and Den Mullett, took on their posts recently, and you may have already seen them patrolling the village either on foot, or in the patrol car.

The officers hope to set up a surgery in the village one morning or afternoon per month, whereby residents can go along and talk to them informally. We will give you further details when these are available.

If you have any messages that you wish to pass on to either officer, please telephone the Clerk, and she will ensure that your message is passed on.

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FTTA NICE

We are still suffering petty crime within the village, albeit on an irregular basis but our local police have asked us to write an article about the problems with young people on the streets, in the early hours of the morning. If you are a parent, do you know where your child is at all times? We have recently had a case of young teenagers out on the main road at approximately 4am in the morning, which is a rather worrying occurrence.

As the Summer is now well and truly upon us, some residents have experienced thefts from cars and sheds. Please ensure that your car is secure at all times, and the same applies to your sheds. Shed alarms are available at a small price, and if you need any details, please call the Neighbourhood Watch number on the following page.

mobilized and secure at night, as there have been cases recently of tractors being started and left to run or driven across fields during the night hours.

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There are a few vacancies at present, so if you would like to find out more and wish to sample a meal at the introductory price of £2.00, please ring Elizabeth Lawson on 281349 or Maureen Stiff on 280899, to arrange a visit to the Club.

The next meeting will be on Friday September 5th, when we look forward to seeing old and new faces.

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The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Doris Bullingham has, for the past 32 years, been organizing the Annual Poppy appeal. This year she has handed this task over to Maureen Stiff, who as you know, together with her husband, ran Broadway Stores and latterly the Post Office, until their retirement last year.

Maureen would like to

advise all the willing volunteers of past years that she will be contacting them again during September/October in the hope that they will again be happy to continue with their door to door collections. Hopefully, those who have had static collection boxes in the past will do so again.

This is one appeal that

most people generously support and in the light of this year's conflict in Iraq, it is hoped that we can exceed last years total of £1.403.

Naturally, if anyone has not collected in the past, but would be willing to do so this year, would they please contact Maureen on 280899.



Neighbourhood Watch

The crime rate in Suffolk is one of the lowest in the country, but even here there is a significant problem. The Police cannot solve this problem on their own. They need the help of the whole community.

Neighbourhood Watch provides a way for local people in residential areas to play an important part in making their community safer.

For further information please contact:-

Community Watch Liaison Officer
Miss Penny Melkenthin
Crime Reduction Office
Sudbury Police Station
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Broadband internet gives the user a faster connection, with faster download times, including mail and large files.

BT will not consider a broadband service in Glemsford and the surrounding villages until enough users have expressed an interest in the service.

We would like to encourage as many people as possible to register their interest at www.bt.com or by dialling 150 on your telephone. Registering an interest in receiving a broadband service does not mean that you have to subscribe to anything, it simply means that you would be interested in this service in our village.

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Youth Drop In Centre

The Parish Council, together with funding from Babergh District Council, and SMAGS, are hoping to open a drop in facility for the teenagers in the Village, in the near future. This will probably run from the Village Hall. If anyone is interested in helping out with the scheme, please call the Clerk to leave your details.

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Parish Council Web Site

The Parish council have recently purchased a web site, and hopefully this will be up and running within the next few months. The web address will be www.glemsfordpc.co.uk, so please be sure to check in the future.

If you would like anything displayed on the site, please call the Clerk on 01787 282740 to give her the details.

Parish Council Minutes

Copies of Minutes of all the Parish Council meetings are available from the Library. These can be read there, but not taken away.

However, if you would like a copy at any time for your own perusal, please do not hesitate to call the clerk, who can arrange this for you.

Public are welcome to attend the Parish Council meetings held each month at the Village Hall.

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Litter in the Village

The Parish Council employ two people to help clear the litter in the village. Bill Dane, the litter picker is employed to clean the village from The Broadway to Tower Meadow.

Ros Joiner is employed to sweep the village, from Tye Green to Skates Hill.

Both of our street cleaners are ONLY employed to clean the main street. However, if there is a problem area that you know of, in any other spot in the village, please telephone the Clerk, who can then arrange for one of the cleaners to attend to it as soon as possible.



Recycling Bins

The Recycling bins have been sited on The Broadway for some time, and the Parish Council are now looking for a suitable area to re-site them. At present, we are in discussion with Babergh District Council regarding a suitable place for the re-siting, and we will give you further details when they are available.

