

HETHERSETT NEWSLETTER

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HETHERSETT Parish Council has a new chairman and vice-chairman.

Adrienne Quinlan was appointed chairman at the June meeting with Stephen Slack taking on the role of vice-chairman. Mrs Quinlan was previously vice-chairman and replaces Jacky Sutton as chairman. Jacky Sutton remains on the council.

Stephen Slack, Adrienne Quinlan and Jacky Sutton are photographed above.

Mrs Quinlan was brought up in Norwich and her first memories of Hethersett are in passing the village on the way back from Cambridge:

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“I always remember that we knew we were nearly home when we passed the King’s and Queen’s Heads on the way back from visiting my grandma in Cambridge. “I first got to know the village properly when my mother moved here 30 years ago. I did the same 13 year ago and my son and his family also found the pull of the village irresistible and have now been here for five years. So, we now have four generations in the village.

“I met my husband while we were both serving in the RAF and we came back to settle in Norwich about 35 years ago. I worked at the Science Research Park until I retired three years ago. I was a school governor for many years and, after I finished that, I was asked if I would join the parish council. I have been Vice Chair for the last year.

“At the parish meeting in May the main concern that residents expressed was the many problems with traffic in the village and I hope during my time in office to keep bringing this to the attention of the various responsible agencies. Sadly we have little direct control.

“Hethersett is a village that has slowly expanded over the decades meaning that we have many facilities that are not available in other villages, but it also means that we have to accept that this means change as well. We hope with the help of the money coming to the village from the new developments to improve the facilities for all members of our community from the very young to the elderly,” she added.

Mrs Quinlan paid tribute to the work of Jacky Sutton as chairman and her words were echoed by Hethersett’s representative on South Norfolk Council, Leslie Dale, who referred to a very good working relationship with Ms Sutton.”

Lighting Details

Lighting columns in the village will soon be numbered and contain telephone numbers where any damage or problems can be reported. The numbering will allow for easy identification of the location of damaged or non working columns. Columns in New Road (which was damaged by a road accident), Great Melton Road near the dentists and Longview will be replaced or repaired in the near future

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Dog Bin/Grit Bin Problems

If you see a damaged dog or grit bin in the village please report it to parish clerk Ian Weetman on 01603 810915 so that repairs or replacements can be arranged..

New Bus Shelters

Three new bus shelters have been erected in the village as part of the parish partnership initiative which sees the cost of projects split between the parish council and Norfolk County Council.

They are opposite the Methodist Church; on the B 1172; and on Steeple Tower. The shelter pictured is situated opposite Hethersett Methodist Church serving buses travelling towards Wymondham.



Speedwatch Volunteers Needed

Hethersett hasn't given up entirely on the idea of starting a new speedwatch scheme but volunteers are needed to make it a reality. Many residents have complained over the past year about speeding in the village but, to date, not enough volunteers have come forward to help with a scheme aimed at checking speeds throughout the village.

Volunteers will receive full training from Norfolk Constabulary. Anyone interested in being part of a scheme should contact parish clerk Ian Weetman on 01603 810915.

Litter Pick

The parish council is pleased to announce that Hethersett played a prominent part in the South Norfolk Big Litter Pick in May and was awarded a first prize of

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£200 for the most successful pick. The village also received a further £20 for taking part.

The litter pick was overseen by the Hethersett Environmental Action Team (HEAT). HEAT will once again be organising a Hethersett Open Gardens event in 2019, probably at the end of June. The group is currently looking at what projects should be supported from proceeds from the event.

New Parish Office

Hethersett Parish Council is looking for a new parish office to replace the present one which is upstairs in the village hall. The current office is unsuitable and difficult to access for people with limited mobility.

The council is looking for either a suitable existing building which could be adapted or into the idea of putting a mobile office on its land at the village hall.

Contact Details for Parish Clerk

Parish Clerk Ian Weetman can be contacted at 18, Haconsfield, Hethersett, NR9 3AW. His telephone number is 01603 810915. The clerk is available in the council office at Hethersett Village Hall on Monday and Thursday mornings from 10am until midday.

HETHERSETT Parish Council meets monthly, apart from August, in Hethersett Village Hall. Full council meetings begin at 7.30pm and are preceded by meetings of the council's planning committee which start at 7pm. The planning committee also meets on other dates throughout the year.

Meeting dates for the remainder of 2018 are as follows: Full Meetings - July 16th, September 17th, October 15th, November 19th, December 17th. Planning Committee meetings will take place on the above dates and also on: July 2nd, August 6th, September 3rd, October 1st, November 5th, December 3rd.