



Kettlestone & Pensthorpe Parish News July 2025

We welcome articles for the newsletter, including village news and photos, historical articles, welcoming new villagers, details of village organisations, village activities etc. Send to:

kettlestonepc@googlemail.com by 25th of preceding month.

Kettlestone Parish website: <https://kettlestoneparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>

Summary of Dates

- Wednesdays 7pm Weekly Table Tennis
- Fri 11 July To Make People Happy 7 pm
- Sun 13 July 11 am Holy Communion
- Mon 21 July 7:30 pm: Parish Council Meeting
- Sat 16 Aug 12:30 – 6 pm Diamond Anniversary

Kettlestone Parish Council

Contact details: **Clerk** Joanna Otte, Little Manor, Thursford Rd, Little Snoring, NR21 0JN

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Parish Councillors: David Head 878455, Trevor Hoad 822101, Robert Kilbourn (Vice-Chair) 316830, James Kilpatrick (Chair) 878214, Barbara Wyvill 878790.

Information about the parish council including minutes can be found on the website (details above).

VACANCIES. If you would like to be considered for co-option to the Parish Council to one of the two vacancies, please contact the Clerk or a parish councillor (details above).

Next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 21 July at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall.

Everyone Welcome.

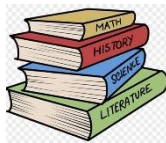
Book Shelter

A huge thank you from the bottom of my heart to all my fellow Kettlestoners / Kettlestonians for all the donations to our book shelter. And an even bigger thank you for making use of our local library. It is so rewarding to see the interest in it. Ex unitae vires.

Best wishes, Heidi Dolder

Education Grant

Young people studying for their first degree, apprenticeship or equivalent can apply for support to purchase books, materials & resources.



Email kettlestonecharities@googlemail.com for an application form.

Deadline for submission of application is **end of September 2024.**

Gill Baguley

It is with great sadness that we have to announce the death of Gill Baguley of Spring House. Gill was a long term resident of Kettlestone and during her time was both the Chair of the Village Hall Committee and a long time Committee member.

Gill was a vital member of the North Norfolk Open Studies group and also accommodated the Octagon Art group for many years in her studio at Spring House. Any visitor to Gill's house would be greeted by her many paintings, often depicting Kettlestone village life. A legacy that Gill leaves the village are her paintings of the village residents through the years which are on permanent display in the village hall.

Her familiar figure, usually swathed in bright pinks, reds and yellows... together with her signature pink hair, could easily be recognised at many a village event. As a regular member of the congregation at All Saints church, there will be a Memorial service to celebrate her long and eventful life, details to follow.

Gill will be greatly missed by many and Kettlestone is the poorer for the loss of another of its enigmatic characters.

All Saints Church

Church Services for Kettlestone All Saints

13 July 11 am Holy Communion

We look forward to welcoming you.

100 Club

MAY

1st Laura Nicol; 2nd Philip Trebiatowski; 3rd Bob Fielden

JUNE

1st Brenda Peck; 2nd David Sobesak; 3rd Leslie White (Lesley kindly donates this prize to the Church).

Kettlestone Gardens Opening

Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest in opening and/or visiting gardens in Kettlestone in aid of the church tower restoration fund. The PCC has decided to revisit the idea in **2026** as an August date this year may not have seen our gardens at their finest!

Kettlestone Village Hall News

Membership to Kettlestone Village Hall is now overdue. £5 per person or £10 per household. A copy of the membership renewal form for 2025-26 has been emailed to our current members. Forms are also

available at the Village Hall. If you wish to remain a member or join as a new member, please complete the form and return it to Tony Willock or any Committee Member with your payment asap.

This is great year to be part of your village hall as it is its 60th anniversary in its current form.

A big thank you to the members who have already renewed.

Previous Events

In May, **Dr John Maddison** gave a talk on the work of the Norfolk Churches Trust (NCT). He highlighted the history of the Trust and gave examples of the work NCT does to care for churches in desperate need of repair to stop their decline into ruin. Donations on the night allowed John Maddison to take away a VH contribution to the Trust.

In early June, **Andy & Linda Talbot and Sally & Steve Lee**, from Little Snoring presented a quiz entitled "Around the World" to an enthusiastic and packed house at the Village Hall.

Great to see so many members enjoying the evening. Many thanks to the quiz masters!

Prizes awarded to the winning team "The Gover's" the wooden spoon found a proud new home with the "Mermaids."

Dates for your Diary

Fri 11 July: To Make People Happy - Creative Arts, Artist John Osborne. £10 (members) £12 (non-Members) under 16's £5 - Doors open 7pm, Pay at the door. From the humour section of second-hand bookshops, jokes overheard on market stalls and finding the positives in life, even if that means finding friendship with your end-of-life carers and sharing a love of Chaz and Dave with a taxi driver after the world's least appealing wedding, in poet and storyteller John Osbourne's new show to Make People Happy. The audio clips of moments guaranteed to make an audience happy. This is a poetry show with a difference!

Sat 16 August from 12.30pm-6pm - Diamond Anniversary. We would love you to join us for a fun afternoon to celebrate the Diamond Anniversary of the opening of your current Village Hall. As part of the celebration, we have booked a Fish and Chip van (provided by IB the Chippy), To book a meal, a small payment of £6 (VH Members price) is required prior to the event. Non-members are welcome but they will have to pay full price (£11.00) for their meal, again this must be booked well in advance.

The bar will be open, and a special Diamond Cocktail will be available. We are also delighted to say that the ever-popular Ukulele band will be playing, and that David and Martin are kindly opening their gardens for the event. There will be Ice creams, a Raffle, stalls, and a display of the history of the Village Hall kindly provided by Bridget.

Weekly Table Tennis Wednesday Evenings

A social and fun session **7 – 8:30pm**. New members always welcome - Please contact Kate Willock on 01328 878160.

Monthly Social Afternoon - Every 4th Wednesday 2pm - 4pm Enjoy homemade cake and a cuppa or two and catch up with friends, feel free to bring a craft project if you wish and there are board games available - £3 per person

St Andrew's, Little Snoring

Come and Join Us for a

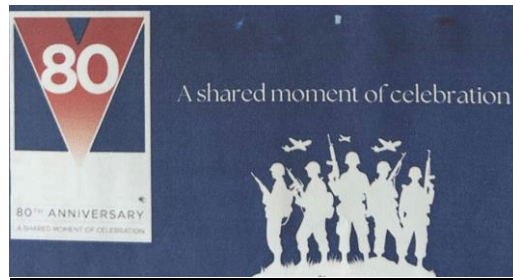
FLOWER FESTIVAL

19 - 20 July 11 am - 4 pm

**Flower Displays, Refreshments,
Homemade Cakes, Raffle Prizes**

All Welcome

All donations to the church roof fund



Recycling

Glass and Textile banks in the playing field car park at the end of Steven's Road (off Kettlestone Road) NR21 0GZ.

Other items: There is a list (on the village website <https://kettlestoneparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/useful-local-information/recycling/>) of locations with collection points for all sorts of items including contact lenses, dental products, light bulbs, water filters. If you are unable to access the website, please contact the Parish Clerk (details at top of newsletter) for a copy of the list.

Hempton Recycling Centre & Reuse Shop

To book a slot for recycling go online:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/62753/Hempton-Recycling-Centre-and-Reuse-Shop> or telephone 0344 800 8020 option 7.

Local Contacts

District Councillor: Mike Hankins (Lib Dem), 01263 802779 or mike.hankins@north-norfolk.gov.uk

County Councillor: Steffan Aquarone (Lib Dem): 07879 451608 or 01603 327827 or steffan.aquarone.cllr@norfolk.gov.uk

MP: Jerome Mayhew (Cons), 0207 2194733 jerome.mayhew.mp@parliament.uk

North Norfolk District Council 01263 513811 or <https://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/> and use the search function to access the online forms to report **fly-tipping, dog fouling** etc.

Norfolk County Council: 0344 800 8020

Road and footpath defects:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem> .