

# Beeston Regis News

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### Beeston Regis Parish Council

Meetings are normally held on the second Wednesday of each month at the Scout HQ by the railway bridge as you approach West Runton.

Please see back page for contact details.

### Parish Council Website

Just type [beestonregis.org](http://beestonregis.org) into your address bar and you should go straight to it.

All the relevant Council information is there – minutes, agendas, and lots of links to local organisations and lots of useful information...and some nice photos too!

## Welcome to another edition of Beeston Regis News.

I hope everyone is enjoying the somewhat belated summer weather.

In the past we have published our Annual Report around now but have decided against it again. It concerns matters relating to the last financial year and is probably best described as "old news" by now. It is of course available to view on our website, details below (go to meetings/minutes and agendas), but we have included the Income and Expenditure Statement on page 2. I am happy to report that the Parish Council continues to operate within its budget, although we have found it prudent to increase our precept for the 2024/25 year. This was felt necessary to cover generally increased costs such as electricity for our 58 street lights and also to put a reserve fund in place to cover future replacement costs of the LED light units. Although there is no definitive lifespan of the lights, they are no longer under warranty and at some point will begin to fail. You may have noted from your Council Tax bill that the Beeston Regis portion was shown as a whopping 12% increase – in reality that was increase of £3 per year per household (Band D) and the contribution per band D property still sits at around 60p per week. The Council held a very successful D-Day Commemoration back in June with an attendance of over 200, details inside. More recently our Merchant Navy Day Commemoration was a great success, also covered inside.

These events are put together by our Vice Chairman Roy, who continues to tirelessly put the effort in to make them a success. He is working hard on the 625<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the creation of Beeston as a Regis and advance notice of this event, and the "scrapbook" planned are also here on page 3.

As always, should you have any issues that you think the Parish Council should address or can help with, please initially contact the Clerk.

Michael Knowles, Chairman.

## To mow or not to mow that is the question?

The parish of Beeston Regis is defined as being in the "Countryside" in the North Norfolk Local Plan, and we think you will agree we have an abundance of flora – trees, hedges and verges to keep the insects and other beasties happy. The parish council have a legal duty to consider bio-diversity. In doing so your council have to balance the urban street scene in our settlements particularly Regis Avenue, Priory Close, Caxton Park and Abbey Park with our responsibilities, and to this end the parish has a contract with a landscape gardener to keep the urban areas under our control nice and tidy. However, there are some areas within the area which are not under our control where the verges have been left unmown throughout the summer, particularly in Britons Lane Close, Robyns Road and the area adjacent to the bus shelter. These areas have now recently been rough cut. Any thoughts are welcome:

Let us know what you think? e mail please to the Clerk -

[beestonpc@btinternet.com](mailto:beestonpc@btinternet.com)

**BEESTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL  
Income & Expenditure Account 31.3.24**

<u>2023</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2024</u>
12500	Precept/Grant	12,500.00
22	Bank Interest etc	112.77
504	NCC Footpath Agreement (A)	558.86
450	Donations	0.00
1272	NCC Subsidy re Grass Cutting (B)	1,442.47
120	NCC Subsidy re Road Sign Cleaning C	120.00
37	NNDC - Textile Bank	87.55
22	Electricity Refund	0.00
227	Contribution from MPC re Computer D	63.00
<b>15154</b>		<b>14,884.65</b>
	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
	<b>Administration</b>	
80	Postages, printing, staty., & Computer	190.46
324	Use of Room as an Office	324.00
165	Telephone	165.00
60	Travelling	28.80
275	Hire of Rooms & Hall	300.00
829	Insurance	1,022.73
120	Audit Fees	110.00
5783	Salaries	6,186.25
374	Other - Subscriptions	381.31
50	- Conference & Training	157.28
115	- Website Exps	102.76
	Election Exps	51.72
	Interest	2.18
100	- Payroll Services	120.00
40	- Data Protectn Fee/Other	40.00
	<b>Lighting</b>	
1232	Supply of Electricity	1,755.84
251	Routine Maintenance	314.96
	Additional Maintenance	0.00
	<b>Other</b>	
120	Road Sign Cleaning C	120.00
769	Emptying Dog Bins	863.20
160	Bus Shelter Repairs	0.00
250	Churchyard donation	300.00
75	Other Donations (RBL)	25.00
1050	Grass Cutting (B)	1,200.00
153	Jubilee Concert	0.00
380	NCC Footpath Mtce (A)	460.00
	Speed Sign (SAM2)	260.50
454	<New Computer - New Notice Board>	124.95
0	Pest Control	0.00
195	Daisy Green & General Mtce.	656.94
200	Defibrillator Exps	108.95
25	Merchant Navy Day/Other	45.00
<b>13629</b>		<b>15417.83</b>

## Hymns & Pimms and "Regis" (625 Years)

Beeston-next -the Sea was part of the Lancaster inheritance and it became Beeston Regis\* (\*of the King) when Henry Bolingbroke , the Duke of Lancaster was crowned King Henry IV at Westminster Abbey on 13<sup>th</sup> October 1399 625 years ago We missed the 600<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 1999 as everyone was concentrating on the millennium which began on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2000 so, we are making up for lost time by having a celebration on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October** this year combining it with the annual Hymns & Pimms service followed by a Beacon Lighting. All taking place at All Saints Church, commencing at 6.00pm. This will be another free event so all are invited. Look out for further details on our notice boards and website [beestonregis.org](http://beestonregis.org) .

## Scrapbook

On our bus shelter we have the words "Beeston Regis-small but interesting"

Many of you are new to the parish and with the help of a local historian we are beginning to put together a scrap book of interesting stories - there are more than you think!

If you have any interesting stories or anecdotes please contact our Vice Chair Roy - [gwroybeckley@gmail.com](mailto:gwroybeckley@gmail.com) or 01263 837619

## Proposed New Recycling Centre.

Norfolk County Council approved their own planning application for the new Sheringham Recycling Centre despite objections from NNDC, the Parish Council and many others. No date has been set for when the construction will commence. **In the meantime, watch out for the new booking system for visits to the existing site which will be closed on a Wednesday.**

## D Day 80

Your Council commemorated the national D-Day 80 with a free Concert and Beacon Lighting on the evening of Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June at All Saints Church, It was an evening of music and songs from the 40's with the Cromer & Sheringham Brass Band and the a Cappella singing group "Hummingbirds". There was much audience participation, and the event was attended by over 200, a very pleasing result! The lighting of the beacon followed, lit by a local parishioner, Stuart Dallimore, the son of Acting Sgt Leslie Mons Dallimore who landed on the Normandy beaches and was later awarded the Croix De Guerre for an act of bravery in the push towards Paris. In the morning, prior to the concert, the D-Day 80 flag was hoisted by another parishioner, Geoff Littlemore, whose father, then aged 19, and the rear gunner in a Lancaster bomber piloted by a 20-year-old Australian returning from a raid over Germany over flew the Channel and saw the armada heading for the beaches in the early hours of D Day. The concert collection raised £600, shared by the 'Help for Heroes' charity and the Church.

## Merchant Navy Day Commemoration.

For the Merchant Navy Day commemoration on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September at All Saints we were joined by members of the Sheringham RNLI lifeboat group who are celebrating their 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

We were also pleased to welcome The Revd. Canon Thomas Woodhouse, Chaplain, The King's Chapel of the Savoy within the Duchy of Lancaster, Chaplain of the Royal Victorian Order, Deputy Priest-in-Ordinary to HM The King. King Charles III is, of course, the patron of All Saints. Thomas then took the following service in the Church.

**BEESTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL**

as at September 2024

**Councillors:**

Mike Knowles (Chair)	3, Caxton Close, Beeston Regis, NR26 8SU	01263 825995
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Chris Goodwin	14, Hillside Road, Beeston Regis, NR26 8TT	
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Nick Wright	Heathside, Britons Lane, Beeston Regis, NR26 8TP	
Ian Hudson	The Cottage, Church Close, West Runton, NR27 9QY	
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Peter Thorogate	34, Abbey Park, Beeston Regis NR26 8SR	
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**Beeston Hall Barns.**

This development, first proposed 10 years ago, is nearing completion and will bring back into use the derelict farm buildings which is good to see. Although this small development does not have any "affordable" homes a significant sum has been paid by the developers into the NNDC affordable homes kitty.

**New Councillor.**

And finally, a warm welcome to our newest Councillor – Janice McPhail who lives in Caxton Park. Janice has a very impressive CV and will be a fine addition to our group.....and a polite reminder to anyone who may be interested: **BRPC still has one vacancy!**

**few snippets:****Wild Church.**

This initiative, aimed at younger children, at All Saints, was the brainchild of Churchwarden Amanda Wooster but has been put on hold as Amanda has been called to London to help with refugee children in the capital. It is hoped to have it back next year.

**New MP for North Norfolk – contact details.**

The new Liberal Democrat MP for the North Norfolk ward is Steff Aquarone  
 Phone: [0207 219 7585](tel:02072197585) (House of Commons)  
 Email: [steff.aquarone.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:steff.aquarone.mp@parliament.uk)

**The Beeston Regis Charities of Edmund Hooke and Unknown Donor.**

The Charities were founded over 300 years ago to help those in need living in Beeston Regis or within the ancient parish of Beeston Regis (which then stretched up to Beeston Road in the west). If you, or your family living with you, are in need of financial assistance the Charities may be able to help. Grants may be made for a variety of needs such as provision or repair of necessary equipment, unexpected expenses associated with illness or bereavement and the like including costs of visiting loved ones in hospital. Unless arising as a result of sudden and unforeseen problems the Trustees are not able to make grants to clear existing general debts such as Council Tax etc. However, in these uncertain times we are all facing different financial issues and the Charity may be able to help - please do not hesitate to ask. All enquiries will be treated in the strictest of confidence. In the first instance contact the Parish Clerk - Peter Bullimore, 24 Beech Avenue, Sheringham. NR26 8NS 01263 822864 or e mail