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From The Chairman,

Open Gardens 2009 – We have decided to cancel this event in view of the planned road closures and digging up of both road and verges. We feel that the village will not be at its best and the movement of extra traffic could be a little difficult and possibly dangerous. We now hope to hold an Open Gardens in 2010.

We hope that despite likely road closures all events booked at the hall will run as normal even if diversions are in place.

By now anybody who has the opportunity to go on to mains sewage should have received notification of a meeting with Anglian Water engineers. In order to up date everybody a copy of a letter from the agents to the Parish Council is reproduced in the centre of this publication. This gives details of where to make your enquiries.

Details of road closures will be available at a later date.

Christine Minns (01508 488123)

WRENINGHAM SOCIAL CLUB

The Social Club is open to everybody - Membership became due for renewal on 1st January 2009 at £2.00 per adult and 50p for juniors (8 – 16's). Anybody wishing to join can pick up an application form from behind the bar on a club night which is on Thursday and Friday evenings from 8 pm in the Margaret Preston room. The entrance is off the main car park towards the back of the hall. We hope to see you all soon.

The Annual General Meeting – Thursday 2nd April 8 pm for 8.30 start. All paid up members will be treated to a free first drink.

Wreningham Parish Council

Chairman – Sheldon Durant 01508 489544

Clerk – Chrissie Baldwin 01508 489228

Address: Woodlace Cottage, Mill Lane
Wreningham, Norwich, NR16 1AN

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 19th May in the Margaret Preston room at 7.30 pm.

WRENINGHAM & DISTRICT W.I.

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Ashwellthorpe Village Hall at 7.30 pm. New members would be most welcome.

14th April – Mrs Miller is the speaker on
“Windmill Handbell Ringers”

12th May – Resolutions for the annual meeting
and Social Evening

This article has been submitted by the Parish Council as a means to answering the numerous questions received by the clerk.

Letter to the Clerk of Wreningham Parish Council for inclusion in the meeting 17th March from Anglian Water.

Thank you for advising me that Wreningham Parish Council are meeting tonight and giving me the opportunity to provide you with additional information on the sewerage scheme. I understand that a number of residents have raised queries and expressed concern about the sewerage scheme and hopefully the following comments will be of assistance.

The decision to provide mains drainage to Wreningham was made some considerable time ago. An application for the provision of a public sewer under Section 101a of the W.I.A (1991) was made by Wreningham Parish Council, Clerk, dated 05-04-2002. Following an assessment of Environmental Need, Anglian Water accepted a Duty under Section 101a, dated 22-12-2005, to provide a public sewer to a defined area of Wreningham, the Duty Area by March 2010. This is now a Legal Duty to Ofwat and the Environment Agency to provide public sewerage to the Duty Area and is not reversible.

The proposed sewerage scheme is a vacuum system for the Church Rd/ Wymondham Rd area and a gravity system for the Toprow area.

A gravity system for the Church Rd area would have required the construction of at least five pumping stations within the village and would have been both more intrusive visually and more expensive to install.

The scheme has been designed to accommodate the anticipated flows from the properties within the 'Duty Area' (this is the area within the red line on the plans that I have provided and includes those properties that are to be provided with mains drainage). As you know, this does not include all the properties within the village. This scheme will not accommodate significant additional housing without major alteration/expansion. The treatment plant is being designed for the existing population within the village and the vacuum system could not accept significant housing development without upgrade. The presence of the sewerage scheme will not, therefore, of itself, facilitate additional residential development within the village.

Future allocations of residential development within the village are and will be decided by South Norfolk Council within the Local Plans process. The Council are currently deciding on the Development Plan Document for housing allocations and representations relating to Wreningham should, therefore, be addressed to the Council and not to Anglian Water.

The construction of a vacuum system involves the installation of vacuum sumps or 'pots' on or near the boundary of the

affected properties. The 'pots' serve one or more properties and, where possible, are installed within the highway or verge. However, in some instances it is necessary to install them within driveways or on garden boundaries. As they are part of the adopted sewer (and as such are installed and maintained at Anglian Water's expense) they need to be installed under Notice and these Notices must be issued to property owners at least three months before work starts. The exact location of the pots will not be known until work starts (as there may be BT cables, surface water drains or other apparatus in the way) and accordingly Notice has been served in some instances as a precautionary measure. Wherever possible the pots will be installed in the verge or the highway and, not all properties will have received a Notice as not all of them will have a pot on their land. All those residents who have received a Notice have also received a further letter from myself (Sarah Hill) explaining the situation. A copy of that letter was also sent to the Parish Council for your information.

Please can you also reassure the residents of Top Row that they are in the system even though they have not received any Notices. The sewage is pumped from the vacuum station in Mill Lane to the top of Top Row and from there it flows under gravity to the treatment works on land adjacent to Stephens Lane. The properties in Top Row will connect into the gravity sewer in the traditional way as it passes the front of their property. As this will not involve the installation of any

pots there has been no need to serve any Notices on these residents.

The open day (which is scheduled to take place at the Village Hall on the 7th of April 2009 2.30pm – 6.30pm) is an opportunity for all the residents within the Duty Area to come and discuss – on a one to one basis - with the engineers the details of their own particular property and make enquiries relating to their possible connection to the system. Letters will be sent to all residents (Friday the 20th of March) within the Duty Area enclosing a brochure explaining how to connect to the system and inviting them to the open day. It will not involve a discussion about the relative merits or otherwise of having mains drainage in Wreningham.

The Parish Council were consulted at earlier meetings about the design and layout of the vacuum station and Sewerage Treatment Works and confirmed that they were happy with the proposals. The vacuum station will look like a small building with a tiled roof and will be well screened by hedging. The Sewage treatment works will involve low installations and again is screened by trees and hedging. In both instances the existing hedging will be retained and supplemented where required by additional planting.

I trust that this helps to answer some of the queries that have been raised recently, please encourage the residents to attend the open day to have their personal questions answered in more detail.

WHAT'S ON

Short Mat Bowls

Every Thursday at 7.30 pm. New players are welcome.
Call in any Thursday for details or a chance to have a go.

Dumplin' Country

Easter Monday – 13th April – charity dance in aid of Breast Cancer Campaign

Dancing to “Longshot” and “Kevin Barry”

Tickets £7.00 (01603 433918) £9.00 on the door

Doors open 1 pm. - music 2 pm – 7pm

Hot & Cold Food/Hot Drinks/Licensed Bar/Good Raffle

Dances to 60's bands – in aid of hall funds

Dancing to live music mainly from the 50's, 60's, 70's and some good music to jive too, or come and just sit and listen to the bands – Admission £5.50.

Saturday 18th April – The Foot Tappers

Saturday 16th May – The Encores

Flower Club

Thursday 30th April – Mrs H Deanne of Hickling will demonstrate her interpretation of “Day at the Races”

Thursday 28th May – Mrs B Harrold of Stoke Holy Cross has entitled her demonstration “Not Her Again”

Doors open at 1.30 pm – Visitors always welcome

Yoga - Monday evenings during school term 7.30 pm – 9 pm.
A new term starts on 20th April – for details contact Adult Education at Attleborough – 01953 455634

Yoga – every Thursday morning 10 am – 11.30 am. £6.00 a session – This is a small friendly group - for details contact Janine on 01603 507181.

All Saints Church

Wed. 8th April - The Student Cross will be calling at the church at about 4 pm on their pilgrimage to Walsingham. Come and meet them and hear of their experiences as they walk, carrying a heavy wooden cross, from Essex to Walsingham during Holy Week.

Fri 10th April – Good Friday – the church will be open during the full devotional hours 12 noon to 3 pm with a service between 2 pm – 3 pm.

Sun 12th April – Easter Day – The church will be decorated and there will be a Holy Communion service 8.30 am – Everybody is welcome to join us for Easter morning.

Sun 19th April – “Quiet Afternoon” in the church.

Longing for a “bit of peace”? Why not come and find a little “peace and space”. There will be silence, occasional quiet music and a variety of resources for reflection and prayer for you to use as you find helpful. Drink and biscuits available at any time. Come and go as you please between 2 pm and 5 pm and enjoy the stillness.

Quiz and Pudding – Friday 17th April – at Wreningham Village Hall – in aid of church funds. Tickets in advance £5.00 – price includes a selection of desserts. Come as a team of up to 6 people or on your own and join a team on the night. 7.15 for 7.30 start. Bar and Raffle. – Tickets from Irene 01508 489635 or Christine 01508 488123. (Anybody willing to make a pudding should also contact either Irene or Christine)

Christine Minns and Dennis Long (Churchwardens)