



## April 2024

This month's newsletter begins with a huge sunny thank you to the village volunteers who, during the winter months, braved mud and rain to plant so many daffodil bulbs. Don't they look beautiful nodding and bobbing away?

### Village Matters

#### Update following the floods since

**October 2023:** The Parish Council has contacted all local landowners and asked that they support the village and clear ditches to reduce the risk of future flooding. Those who've replied, and sadly, not all have, have cleared their ditches.

**Volunteering Matters:** In its latest meeting, the Parish Council agreed to set aside a minimum of four weekends a year for the village volunteer group to meet to carry out important tasks around the village. Councillors Anna Noakes and Russell Pearce will be completing training under Suffolk County Council's Community Self-help Scheme, which will enable the Council to undertake important maintenance. More news soon. In the meantime, if you notice anything looking tired, untidy or in need of some attention, please let the Parish Clerk know and she'll add it to the 'To Do' list. Dr Marriott's seat will be removed in the coming weeks to receive some important care and repair from Councillor Russell Pearce. It'll be back in position looking renewed and sparkly very soon. The next volunteering slot is later this month and so if you're able to join the Team and give some time, you'll be very welcome. Just turn up at the Village Hall on any of the following two dates and meet with a member of the Council:

**10am April 20<sup>th</sup>:** Meet Cllr. Pearce

**10am April 21<sup>st</sup>:** Meet Cllr. McCallum

**Sizewell C:** The work to resurface sections of the B1122 continues with the aim of completing up to 200m per night of carriageway resurfacing. The Sizewell Team informs us that the speed of the works is also affected by weather conditions as well as

ground conditions. Following the carriageway resurfacing, its teams will complete improvements to the existing ironwork (gully and manhole covers), as well as complete road marking.

Sizewell has set up a 'Works Tracker' online where we can keep up to date with all its work. Find the Tracker here:

<https://www.szcworkstracker.co.uk/>

For Sizewell C updates on the village website, see here: <https://www.yoxford.org.uk/sizewell-c-updates/>

In addition, the Parish Council will be represented at all Sizewell related meetings. Relevant updates/minutes will be uploaded to the village website.

**Post Office Outreach Service:** Following the Parish Council's letter to Dr Coffey and Kevin Hollinrake asking them to pressurise the Post Office to revoke their decision to cut its service, a reply has been received from Dr Coffey. You can see her letter here:

<https://www.yoxford.org.uk/>

Unfortunately, there's been no news about a reversal of the Post Office's plan but Parish Council will share any updates it receives.

*Current service: **Wednesdays 9.15-10.15am** from a mobile van in Yoxford Village Hall's car park.*

### Yoxford Village Hall events:

- **April 13<sup>th</sup>:** Quiz Night 7pm
- **April 15<sup>th</sup>:** Sole Trustee AGM 7pm
- **April 26<sup>th</sup>:** Pub Night 6-11pm
- **May 10<sup>th</sup>:** Wildlife Talk with renowned Photographer & Ecologist, **Harry Reade** 7pm (£5 entry)
- **May 17<sup>th</sup>:** Film Night Anatomy of a Fall
- **May 31<sup>st</sup>:** Pub Night 6-11pm

**The Hall's licensed bar will be open for all evening fund raising events.**