

## .....Dates for your diary....

### *Friends of Gissing Church BBQ*

Annual Summer Bar-B-Que will be held on Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> from 5pm at Keepers Cottage

### *'Gorgeous Gissing' Litter Pick*

One other event being organised by the Friends is the 'Gorgeous Gissing' Litter Pick on Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 2pm to 5pm. If you would like to be involved but have not yet signed up, then you can contact Fiona Turton (677811) for further information. Refreshments will be available in the church for the intrepid litter pickers when they have completed their route around the village. Come and join us in keeping Gissing gorgeous!

### *Stick Man goes on an Egg Hunt*

Sunday 2nd April, 10am-3.30pm (last entry 2pm) at The Old School House. Various activities including guided walk with story teller, crafts, short theatre show and refreshments. £6 per child, to book email [kelpitcher@aol.com](mailto:kelpitcher@aol.com) or text 07789 776680

### *Open Gardens - 18th June*

12+ Gardens will be open with refreshments and plant sales in the new Community Building. Villagers welcome to have garage/ drive sale on that day to sell unwanted goods.

### *Opening of The Community Building*

Lunch time drinks & nibbles 14th July with Celebration evening on 15<sup>th</sup> July

### *HoG Crafters Café*

2nd Tuesday of every month, 10am -1pm at the Village Hall.

### *Playscheme*

Easter Holiday Playscheme (dates to be announced) £15 9am-3.30pm or £12 9am-1pm. 07531 810704 or [playscheme@gissingchildrenscentre.co.uk](mailto:playscheme@gissingchildrenscentre.co.uk) for more info.

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## 2016/17 PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

9 <sup>th</sup> March 17	Parish Council 7.30pm
11 <sup>th</sup> April 17	Village Hall AGM 7.30pm
11 <sup>th</sup> May 17	APM - 7pm AGM - 7.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> June 17	Finance Meet 7.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> July 17	Parish Council 7.30pm
14 <sup>th</sup> September 17	Parish Council 7.30pm
9 <sup>th</sup> November 17	Parish Council 7.30pm

Members of the Council are always willing to discuss topics put forward by the public. Our agenda is prepared about a week before the next council meeting so you will need to inform the Clerk or the Chair about ten days prior to the meeting.

The Council is required by law to publicise its agenda at least 3 clear days before each meeting, not including the day of issue or day of meeting. This council, gives members of the public an opportunity to speak at some point during the meeting. We do this by temporarily adjourning the meeting; this allows the public plus our District and County Councillors an opportunity to speak.

# GISSING PARISH NEWSLETTER

SPRING  
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*View on Rectory Road near stream*

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PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE  
<http://gissingpc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>



## GISSING FOOTPATH WALKS

The walks along Gissing footpaths will be starting this spring, details to be announced. We will post these details on noticeboards when they are confirmed. If you wish to receive an email please email [gissingparishclerk@live.co.uk](mailto:gissingparishclerk@live.co.uk) requesting Footpath info.



## DOG FOULING

The Parish Council has received several complaints from parishioners regarding dog fouling around the village.

Please make sure you clear up after your dog and take home with you for disposal or put into a dog bin in the village (one sited at the Church/Old School building and a second on Common Road). Dog Fouling is an offence and carries a fine of £80.

We are currently reviewing the dog fouling and dog bin issues in the village and would appreciate any comments. If you are aware that the dog bins are full and not being emptied please can you contact the clerk. [gissingparishclerk@live.co.uk](mailto:gissingparishclerk@live.co.uk).



## TELEPHONE BOX

The Parish Council plan to renovate and move the old BT Telephone Box. The new location will be more central to the village. If you have any suggestions for use once moved, we would love to hear from you; suggestions so far have been Defibrillator and book swap. We are also keen to hear from people who would like to get involved in works to renovate the box. Please email the Clerk for more details.

### Glass Recycling Bank

Should you be aware of the glass recycling bank becoming full please report it to the Parish Clerk 01379 677254 or directly to South Norfolk Council on 01508 533633



COMMUNITY SERVICES	
PULHAM SURGERY	01379 676227
DISS SURGERY	01379 642021
POLICE (non-emergency)	101
South Norfolk Council	01508 533633
The Mobile Library Approx every 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	01603 222267 Common Rd - 11.50 Burston Rd - 12.10
Local Bus - Simonds	01379 674300
Refuse Collection & Enquires	01508 533706
VILLAGE GROUPS AND CONTACTS	
Gissing Singers	Andrew Piersenné 01379 674518
Gardening Group	Joe Cromley 01379 677817
Pilates	Heather Ormerod 07769 973219
Friends of Gissing Church	Fiona Turton 01379 677811
Gissing Youth Group	Sarah Willett 01379 677567
Gissing Carpet Bowls	Derek Dewey 01379 677162
Gissing Baby & Toddler Group	Vickie Jordan 01379 674437
Performing Arts East Stage HOGers Musical Theatre Class	Sami Watt 07825 325100
Gissing Pre-School Heart of Gissing	Linda Nash 01379 677300
Gissing Village Hall	Bernie Calton 01379 677254
Gissing Bowls Club	Kevin Lake 01379 677525
Show Stars	Amanda 01379 741788
Crafter Cafe	Anne 01379 674272 Kate 01379 677504

### Gissing Children's Centre

Our successful Pre-School, with its very special family ethos, runs Monday to Friday during term time. Running two sessions per day 9.00 am to 12 noon & /or from 12 noon to 3.00 pm each day for 2yrs to 5yrs. Funded and non-funded places available.

Contact Linda Nash on 01379 677300 or [manager@gissingchildrenscentre.co.uk](mailto:manager@gissingchildrenscentre.co.uk)

**'Outstanding rating from 'Ofsted'**



## St Mary's Church News

The long awaited structural repairs and restoration work on the church has started & will continue throughout the summer - the estimated completion date is late August 2017 but will be weather dependent of course.

At the end of the work, the village will have a church in a good state of repair and consequently a more useful building for the village, which can be used throughout the year. Together with facilities provided by the new community building, it really is an exciting year for the village.

In relation to the church heritage parts of the work, one of the activities will be 'hard hat' days with the building contractor to enable anyone (including children and young people from local schools) who may be interested to see how the church restoration work is carried out, to be able to join one of these events and see for themselves crafts-people at work.

Although we are in receipt of the Heritage Lottery Fund repairs grant for this work, both the PCC and the Friends would like to reiterate that none of this would be possible without the continuing support of the community in Gissing, and beyond, in so many ways. We all would like to thank you for helping us to get to this stage.

If you would like to know more about the **repair & restoration programme**, or **promotion of the church heritage** which is also included, then please do contact George Hammond (677633 or [ghdesign@netmatters.co.uk](mailto:ghdesign@netmatters.co.uk)) or Fiona Turton (677811 [fionaturton@btinternet.com](mailto:fionaturton@btinternet.com))