

Felthorpe Parish Council

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Children's sign drawing competition promoting the new speed limit.

4 prizes for the winning entries in each of the age groups.

Congratulations:

Felfest 2026

Boundary House Planning Application

FPC received a proposal for change of use of Boundary House from existing 16 bedroom/apartments and separate office as part of an existing residential institution to provide 13 self-contained Airbnb apartments

Following public consultation Felthorpe Parish Council have registered an objection to this planning application for the following reasons:

1. There is no clear information on how many people each unit will accommodate. It is reasonable to assume occupancy could range from 2–6 people per unit, which could total 70+ visitors for each hire period. With the number of units proposed, this development is likely to attract large group bookings and therefore we would like to raise noise concerns from large gatherings such as hen and stag parties;
2. In regards to the number of visitors detailed above, the impact on Felthorpe's already over-used rural roads should be considered. Norfolk County Council are aware that the roads are already used as a rat-run, without these extra vehicles. In addition, if each let is let out to up to 6 people, there is not enough onsite parking, meaning more on-road parking in the parish;
3. Should the venture fail, we are concerned that these units may be converted to long-term rental properties. We are concerned about the lack of control over future use and the potential impact on the local community;
4. The proximity to the turkey sheds on Haverlingland Road, and the associated smells and flies, may make the site unattractive to the intended target market. This raises concerns about the long-term viability of the development and potential changes in site use if holiday occupancy proves unsuccessful
5. We are concerned about the impact of increased sewage disposal on the surrounding area, including potential environmental and infrastructure pressures. . If the units were filled to capacity (potentially 70+ people), we also have serious concerns regarding the impact on local water supplies.



The Eastern Daily Press reported that this application was granted at the meeting of the Planning Committee on 15th July 2026 despite objections from Felthorpe Parish Council.

Peter Berry, Conservative councillor for Thorpe St Andrew Town North West, said he could see the site becoming popular for gatherings and that it was "an unusual location". He added: "I can see that this can almost be 'party central' in the middle of nowhere and I do have some concerns about that."

Officials have tried to mitigate such fears by limiting the number of people that can be on the Haverlingland Road site at any one time. They also insist there will be no single space for large groups to gather and that the facility does not lend itself to parties.

There were also questions around whether there is demand for such a facility in Felthorpe, home to around 790 people.

Parish Council Meetings

Usually held on the first Tuesday of month except January and August.

8pm the Pavilion

Next meeting dates:

1st September 2026

3rd November 2026

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Update on speed reduction measures in Felthorpe



The Cabinet Member for Efficiency, Performance and Pensions apologised for the delay in the implementation of the speed reduction measures in Felthorpe.

The speed signs for your village were being prepared for a delegated powers report in January 26 due to receiving an objection.

He reported that this project is a Western Link mitigation scheme and it is funded from the Western Link Road budget.

He investigated the reason for the delay in progress since January and informed the Parish Council in July that he had

approved the proposed speeding restriction changes and would be passing them on to the Cabinet Member for Highways for a delegated decision which should happen before August.

He agreed to monitor the matter closely and inform the Parish Council of the anticipated implementation date.

Children's 20mph Sign Design Competition -Four prizes of £25

Felthorpe Parish Council have listened to the concerns of villagers and are keen to promote the new speed limits in the village. Felthorpe Airfield have kindly sponsored the Parish Council's children's sign drawing competition promoting the new speed limit over the school summer holidays with 4 prizes for the winning entry in each of the four age groups.

There will be four categories aligned to school key stages:

- 1) Under 7* years,
- 2) 7 to 11* years
- 3) 11 to 14* years
- 4) 14 to 16* years,

Rules:

- 1) Entries on a sheet of A4 paper
- 2) Ensure that the drawing is as colourful as possible (to ensure print quality).
- 3) Please write the child's name, date of birth, address and phone number on the back of the drawing, so we can contact the winners
- 4) Post entries through the letter box of 52, The Street, Felthorpe, NR10 4DQ
- 5) Closing date is 31/8/2026
- 6) Winners will be announced at the Parish Council Meeting on 1st September 2026.
- 7) A £25 prize will be given to the winner of each age category (* age as of 1/9/2026) .
- 8) The Judges' decision will be final



Felfest 2026 – another outstanding success!



Congratulations to the Felthorpe Recreation Ground Committee for organizing such an amazing event. The day was glorious and everyone enjoyed dancing to the live bands, eating the delicious food and soaking up the community spirit.

The event raised £4000 which will be used towards the upkeep and future of the village hall, recreation ground and the children's play area.

The bands included: Backtracking, Emily Ann, Ruff Diamonds, V Rumble and the Big Cheese.

