

Felthorpe Parish Council Newsletter

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Success for Felthorpe Community Action: You thought it and made it happen!



Norfolk County Council will implement the following Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 in Spring 2026

The 20mph restriction will be a change to the existing 30mph restriction and will prohibit any motor vehicle from exceeding 20 miles per hour along lengths of following roads:

C245 The Street, U57150 Mill Lane, U57212 Hall Lane, U57211 Church Lane, U57169 Binley Lane, U57506 Nash Road, U51346 Schoolfield

The 40mph speed limit will be a change to the existing 60mph national speed limit along lengths the following roads:

C245 The Street/C245 Short Thorn Road to junction with the C278 Haverling Road and its junction with the U57169 Binley Lane.
U57169 Binley Lane from its junction with the C245 The Street to its junction with U57168 Brands Lane and U57211 Church Lane.

U57211 Church Lane from junction with the C262 Taverham Road to its junction with the U57169 Binley Lane and U57168 Brands Lane.

U57168 Brands Lane from its junction with the U57169 Binley Lane and U57211 Church Lane to its junction with the C261 Reephams Road and U57168 Furze Lane.

Greater detail can be found on line: <https://norfolk.citizenspace.com/environment-transport-and-development/the-norfolk-county-council-felthorpe-various-roads>

Hand Car Wash Felthorpe

Elena and Ionut came to the UK from Romania in 2016 and started up the hand car wash in Felthorpe in 2019. They initially encountered a lot of obstacles which they overcame with hard work and perseverance. With the support of the local community they created a successful business and integrated into the village.

Elena particularly wants to thank Julian Magnus and his family for their support during the pandemic which enabled the business to survive in the absence of government support.

They are extremely proud of the quality of service that they provide and they offer a discount card for regular customers. Ionut ensures the area around the car wash is kept in pristine condition by clearing the gutters. Elena and Ionut are well known and liked in Felthorpe. They are constantly greeted by villagers while working and help to put a smile on people's faces.



Reminder Felthorpe Parish Council Website hosts the Newsletter

Felthorpe Parish Council website provides news and information on council meetings, planning applications, as well as an electronic link to this newsletter. If anyone you know doesn't receive a paper copy through their letterbox please advise them to access it electronically via the Parish Council website. <https://felthorpeparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/newsletter/>

Parish Council Meetings

2026 meeting dates:

Tuesday 8pm
the Pavilion

- 6 January
- 3 March
- 5 May
- 7 July
- 1 September
- 3 November

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Your Parish Councilors: Meet Martin Dickinson

Hello, my name is Martin and I became a parish councilor in 2023. I moved to Felthorpe 17 years ago with my wife and our two dogs at the time, Duke and Charlie. I have been a Tree Surgeon for 25 years and also do hedge cutting and other garden work.. I enjoy walking with my wife and our two dogs, Myla and Mollie locally and further afield. We love walking holidays in the UK with our dogs and have been to many beautiful places. I enjoy fishing and weekends away on the Norfolk Broads with Mollie (our golden labrador). I joined the Parish Council to become a voice for our community and to help improve things.



Relaunching Felthorpe Book Exchange

The village telephone box has been beautifully spruced and is sporting a fresh new coat of paint and a bright light!

Sadly in recent years it's been neglected so-we're keen to encourage better use of this facility with an improved stock of up-to-date titles, in good condition, that can be borrowed by all.

We've managed to source a few new books which have proved popular but we need more donations if this is to be successful.

Have you just read a good book – please pass it on to the telephone box and take another in exchange!

The Distinguished Gentleman's Ride Sunday 17th May 2026

Your Parish Council Chairman is once more taking part in "The Distinguished Gentleman's Ride", with fellow men and women across the globe, to raise funds and awareness for prostate cancer and men's mental health. Movember is the official charity partner of the ride.

The local event usually involves over a hundred bikes and ends with a rally at Stody Lodge.

A message from Felthorpe Parish Council Chairman Andrew Cooper

"It is a well known fact that men die on average 6 years earlier than women and for largely



preventable reasons. The number of men that are suffering from prostate cancer is growing, and we need to do something about that. So, before I press my tweed and polish my boots, I'm asking you to join me in raising funds and awareness for these causes by donating what you can for this meaningful cause and to help the men we love, live happier and healthier lives.

If you would like to donate, please use the link below. The link becomes active, ready for donations from April 2nd 2026.

<https://www.gentlemansride.com/rider/AndrewCooper561421>

Your contribution, should you feel you are able to, whether large or small will be greatly appreciated."

