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**Repps with Bastwick Parish Council Newsletter February 2018**

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**Recycling News**

Please continue to recycle your glass and textiles in the bins at the Village Hall and help raise funds for the benefit of the village.

Many thanks to those already using them.

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Defibrillator

The Parish Council has purchased the Phone Box on Church Road and a defibrillator has been installed. The Parish Council would like to extend grateful thanks for some very generous donations from parishioners and local organisations, without which it would not have been possible to achieve this. Training sessions on how to activate and use the defibrillator are planned for the near future and all parishioners are welcome to attend.

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**What's On in Repps with Bastwick**

**St Peter’s Church**

**Mothering Sunday 11th March, service in the Church at 10 am**

**Palm Sunday, 25th March, Bishop Alan will be conducting the communion service at 11am**

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| **Afternoon Tea** | Thursday 22nd February in the Village Hall from 2.30pm | Diary Date: the next one will be Thursday 22nd March |
| **Trinity Broads Singers** (community choir) | Monday evenings in the Village Hall from 7.30 to 9.30. Newcomers welcome. | [www.stephanie-anderson.co.uk/Choirs/trinity-broads-singers](http://www.stephanie-anderson.co.uk/Choirs/trinity-broads-singers) or phone Stephanie on 01692 583400 |
| **Trinity Children’s Centre’s Stay and Play** | Mondays in the Village Hall | 10 to 11:15am |
| **Pub Night: The Reppswick Arms** | Friday 2nd March in the Village Hall from 7:30 to 11 pm | Various pub games available: darts, dominos, cards etc.  |
| **Food and Craft Fair** | Saturday 24th February 2018 in the Village Hall 9am till noon | Refreshments availableDiary Date: next one Saturday 24th March |

**Village Hall Hire - for booking the village’s wonderful facility call 01692 670168**

**Parish Council News**

***St Peter’s Outreach Productions***

***On Tuesday 20th February we will be showing ‘Victoria and Abdul’ in which Queen Victoria strikes up an unlikely friendship with a young Indian clerk named Abdul Karim. Doors open Village Hall 7pm. Refreshments and free entry. Next film night Tuesday 20th March.***

**Precept and Budget**

In January Repps with Bastwick Parish Council met to set its budget and decide on the precept. The precept is collected by Great Yarmouth Borough Council via your council tax bills and pays for village facilities and services.

The Parish Council manages most of the benches, waste bins, allotments, bus shelter, and planters. It organises most of the grass cutting and the maintenance of the War Memorial and Village sign. It employs a part-time parish clerk. It has recently purchased the BT phone box on Church Road and installed a defibrillator.

As well as managing these assets the Council also puts away some money each year in an earmarked fund to pay for future repairs and replacement of the various assets and facilities.

**Allotment Available**

**An allotment is available for rent at £6.58/0.05 acre/year**

**Can be divided into two**

Repps with Bastwick Parish Council manages allotment gardens situated to the right of the access track leading from Church Road, and prior to the ‘s’ bend.

Plots are let to residents of Repps with Bastwick. Tenants enter into an Agreement with the Parish Council and are invoiced by the parish council during October. Contact the Clerk for further details.

In order to meet these costs it was decided to increase the precept by 10% to a total of £3,577 for the year. Each household will pay an amount depending on the council tax band of your home. For an average Band D property this precept represents a total cost for the year of £24.01, or 6.5p per day.

The Parish Council continue to report issues with highways, flooding, hedges, verge grass cutting, potholes, street lighting and more, to the relevant authorities to be dealt with. Don't forget you can report these issues directly yourself - see the 'Report It' page on the website for further information: <http://reppscumbastwickpc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/report-it>

The parish councillors continue to offer their comments about planning applications, but it is the Borough Council or Broads Authority who make the decision to approve or object to a planning application.

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The next 2 Parish Council meetings will be on **Tuesday 6th March 2018** and **Tuesday 3rd May** at **8 pm** in the Village Hall. Please see the website for Agendas, Minutes, other documents and information. Agendas are also posted on the notice boards at the Village Hall, Manor Farm and by the petrol station. Parishioners are welcome to attend and have an opportunity to put their questions, concerns and views to the Council.

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**Deadline for receipt of items for next newsletter is 15th April 2018 e-mail:** **reppspc@yahoo.com**

We reserve the right to edit or omit any submissions.