Nacton Parish Council Spring newsletter



New Village Sign





Finally, Nacton has it's own Village Sign. It was erected on 7th March 2024 in Victoria Field, now everyone coming through can see it standing proudly. The sign was made locally at Jacob's Forge, Kirton. Home Farm assisted in its installation and members of the parish council worked hard, along with Paul Tattersall, digging out for the base and cementing the base ready for the post and sign.

Grit Bins



The Parish Council has responsibility for the six Grit Bins located around Nacton Village. Following the usual annual inspection, two bins were scheduled to be replaced. The new grit bins have been installed and and the old green bins are empty and ready to be taken away. Keep an eye out for these upgrades – you can't miss them (!) – they are bright "yellow" to conform to Suffolk County Council guidelines.

Nacton mobile post service is changing



Important Information

The opening times at this Mobile Service will be changing

> Nacton Mobile Service George Court Car Park, 1 George Court, The Street, Nacton, Ipswich, IP10 0EU

New opening hours Monday 09:00 - 11:00 Friday 09:00 - 11:00 The change will take effect from: Monday 25 March 2024

For information in Braille, large print or audio call 03452.66.01.15. Textphone 03457.22.33.55 or to see a copy of our Principles of Community Engagement about changes to the Post Office network, visit our website postofficeviews.co.uk

This notice has been put up by The Post Office.

Changes take effect on the 25th of March.

Events

NACTON VILLAGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Social Evening Tuesday 26th March 2024

Nacton Village Hall will be open from 7pm onwards for you to come along for a chat, catch up with friends and just socialise.



Bring your own refreshments

Everyone welcome - Free entry



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Sports Field Friday 29th March 10.00am. Free to all children and grandchildren of village residents

Donations welcome

Tea and hot cross buns for any adults without children who wish to attend

Coffee Mornings at The Village Hall (10am - 12)

- 6th April
- 4th May
- 1st June

Summer event - save the date - Saturday 13th July - more details to follow

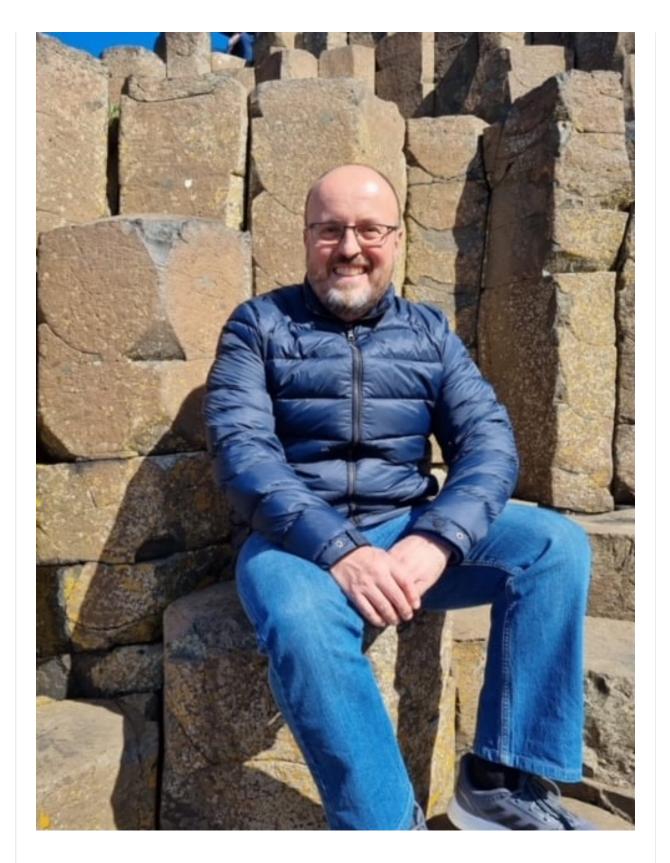
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Quiz Night at The Village Hall - 11th May and 12th October

Parish Council Meetings:

- 27th March
- 22nd May (APM and AGM)
- 31st July
- 25th September
- 27th November

Meet our Responsible Financial Officer



Meet Brian Mansfield, our Responsible Financial Officer (RFO).

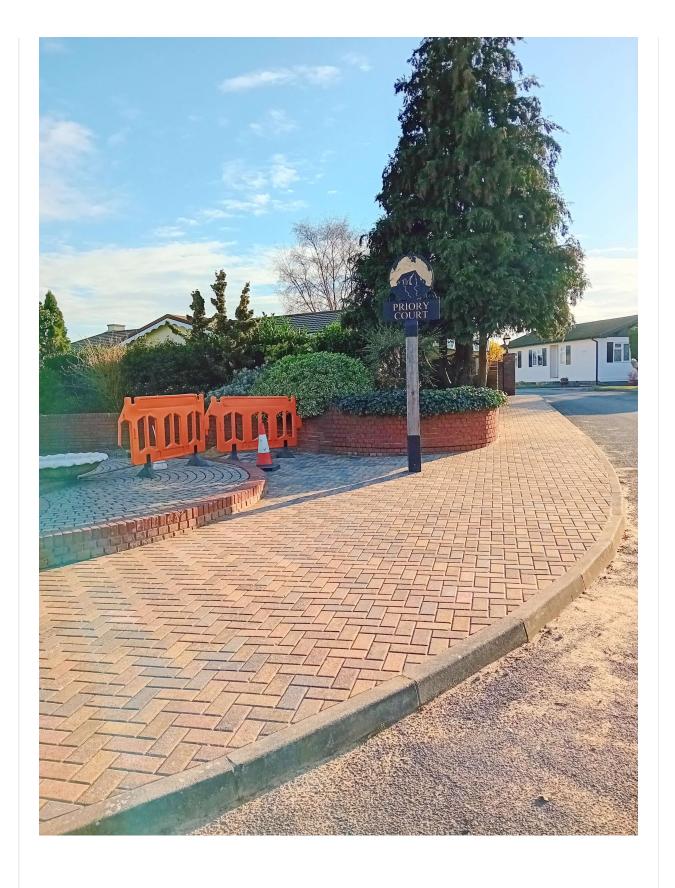
Brian has lived in Nacton Village since 2012, after growing up in East London and living in Colchester for a few years. After 36 years working in the finance industry in London he decided to retire early in 2021. Saving 4 hours commuting each day has

allowed him to progress house renovations and his garden "make over" is work in progress. Brian is hopeful that his golf clubs will get an outing soon!

In 2022, Brian became the RFO for Nacton Parish Council and enjoys supporting the Councillors and local community. He is also the Treasurer for the Nacton Village Hall. Brian is glad his finance experience is still useful. In his spare time Brian enjoys walking with his partner Charlotte, particularly along the coast at Felixstowe and Aldeburgh. This may include the occasional pub lunch!

Priory Court







With Spring just around the corner, its good to look forward to 2024 and what it holds for residents at Priory Court.

But firstly, a look back at recent months and some interesting events. Priory Court has a new resident in the form of a magnificent Pea Hen!

Enquiries to find her owner have drawn a blank, and it's fair to say that she has now settled in and can regularly be seen strutting around the Court and being well looked after!

In summer 2023 residents encountered considerable difficulties in securing payment from East Suffolk Council of the Alternative Fuel Payment and following a call for help to Therese Coffey, were pleased to receive a visit and with her added support, residents eventually

received the payment they were entitled to. Therese Coffey also assisted in getting Ipswich Borough Council to carry out much needed repairs to the Lane.

The owner of Priory Court takes enormous pride in keeping it in first-class condition. During the past few months, a complete upgrade of the fountain area, seen on entering Priory Court, has been undertaken. The works are due for completion by the end of March and will once again create a real "sense of arrival" for those entering Priory Court.

The Court's key event each year is the Macmillan Coffee Morning, the amount raised in 2023 was another year-on-year record of £1,615.15-not bad for a couple of hours!

2024 will be a busy time for the Priory Court social team, with more social events planned than for many years.

Most social events focus on the Clubhouse for "Meet & Mingle" coffee mornings, some with speakers, and some focusing on crafting skills, evening parties, carpet bowls, keep fit, and bingo. Day trips out and lunches always prove popular. Post Covid, and with confidence

returning, social mixing is back once more.

Priory Court residents will shortly be asked to suggest what items they feel will benefit the closely knit community. Depending on the results, an approach will be made to East Suffolk Council.

Finally, it is with sadness that the Court has seen some of its first residents pass on, but new residents have arrived and just as their their predecessors did, the new residents are enjoying the unique lifestyle of living at Priory Court.

Allan Sugg Chairman March 2024

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