News from Yoxford Parish Council February 2025

Despite the shortness of the month, February's a big month for love, pancakes, and snowdrops. I hope your month is full of all three!

## **Volunteers Matter**

It was with sadness that the Parish Council learned that, after some fifteen years of crafting something truly beautiful from nothing, for now, the voluntary team at **Yoxwood** has hung up its tree labels, secateurs and spades. The team's continued dedication and expertise has been awe inspiring and the village is incredibly grateful for the work every member has done in creating the idyllic community woodland that we all have access to and enjoy. To Tanya Catling, Alex Corbett, Phil Gordon, Oliver Isaac, Chris Michie, Sue Pine & Pat Wallace the PC's (past and current) heartfelt thanks for everything you've done. Once a new team is formed, it'll have enormous wellies to fill.

**More Volunteers** could make an even bigger difference... **Yoxwood,** the **Community Woodland** is owned by Yoxford Parish Council on behalf of the village and run by a team of volunteers for every resident's benefit and use. The voluntary team works largely autonomously, with financial support from the Council. Committed to preserving this idyllic place in perpetuity for the village, if you share the PC's vision, have green fingers and a couple of hours to spare each month and would like to help preserve and continue to shape this wonderful legacy, please contact the Clerk.

And, talking of volunteers, there is a *vacancy* on *Yoxford Parish Council* so if you'd like to make a difference and work with ten other members of the village who are committed to improving life for the village, please contact the Clerk for more information.

**Energy Projects.** There's still time to join...Suffolk Climate Action Team's '**Keep the Heat**', project runs in Yoxford between 27<sup>th</sup> **February and 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025** so, if you'd like your property surveyed (free of charge), please contact the Clerk and then the team will be in touch...and...

Transform your home with **eco-friendly insulation** to make your **home warmer** and **save on energy costs!** The Suffolk Climate Change Partnership has partnered with High Loft to help Suffolk residents make their homes warmer and save money. With this special offer, you can receive a 50% discount (up to £200). This is a limited offer and so click this link for further information:

#### Suffolk County Council Loft Insulation Support Offer

**Please....** remember to avoid parking on the pavements and keep them clear for pedestrians to walk safely through the village. There have been a few occasions when parents with pushchairs have been unable to pass by without walking in the road. Let's carry on looking out for each other.

Want to keep in touch with the work of your Council? Read the *minutes* of every month's meeting here:

#### Yoxford Parish Council Meeting Minutes

## **Planning Matters**

We've received notification that the *planning application* for *The Griffin Pub* and *car park* will be considered by East Suffolk Council's Planning Committee on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 1pm at its offices at Riverside, Lowestoft. Yoxford Parish Council will be represented. If you wish to attend, please see: Speaking at ESC planning committee meetings

# **Yoxford Village Hall**

Join us for our organised monthly events:

## Film Nights. Doors open 6.30pm

- 14<sup>th</sup> February: The Critic
- 14<sup>th</sup> March: Paddington in Peru
- **11<sup>th</sup> April:** Small Things Like These

# Community Pub Nights. Last Friday of every month from 6-11pm

- 28<sup>th</sup> February
- 28<sup>th</sup> March
- 25<sup>th</sup> April

## Special Events:

#### Nature Talk with Paul Taylor. • 5<sup>th</sup> April Doors open 7pm

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