



# Acton Parish Council Newsletter

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Dear Acton Parish Resident,

I took on the role of Chairman of the Parish Council earlier this year. With the complete revamp of the Parish Council's website and a return to a regular newsletter. I hope that we will demonstrate that Acton Parish Councillors are working to improve the community that we live in and keeping you better informed about the work of the council.

The role of the Parish Council is to represent the interests of the whole community as part of local government supporting the democratic process. Acton Parish Councillors work as unpaid public officials in support of residents.

As Chair of the Council, I aim to work with fellow councillors to help maintain and enhance our parish and represent Acton to Babergh District Council and Suffolk County Council so that Acton receives its expected share of their services.

I am pleased to see that many of the important tasks identified from our public consultation process on Acton's Action Plan are complete and/or underway. Some completed actions include: a new multi-play tower at the Lime Tree Green play area; improved lighting at the High Street / Barrow Hill junction; and two new benches installed at Queensway together with improved maintenance of the green area. Future plans include; improving public rights of way and addressing the height and maintenance of the Marsh Walk hedge. We are consulting on the Acton Action Plan and welcome residents' ideas.

In June it was fantastic to see so many people turn out for the Jubilee Party and fair on the Village Playing Field. A massive thanks to Acton Play Group for organising this successful day.

The Parish Council provided funding for the children's jubilee tea and other activities.

The Parish Council is normally made up of 9 members but currently we are 3 councillors short.

Please consider being part of our team and volunteer as an Acton Parish Councillor.

Contact the Parish Clerk or speak with a Parish Councillor for more information.

Cllr Graham Round

## Councillor Members:

Councillors from the Left: Cllr Christine Johnson, Cllr John Gibbens, Cllr Nick Antill, Cllr Steve Le Grys, Cllr Katie McSweeney



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### Wildlife Reserve

The Parish Council Wildlife reserve is maintained by the hard work of Colin Muddimer the volunteer Reserve Manager and residents who volunteer. If you can spare some time to help with gardening and / or DIY please consider volunteering.

For more information, speak with Colin or Cllr Katie McSweeney.



### Allotments

If you wish to find out more about having an allotment, contact the Clerk.

There is currently a waiting list.

### Community Wardens in Acton

Sudbury Town Council employs a small team of Community Wardens who work closely with our District (Babergh) and County (Suffolk) Councils.

Acton Parish Council has contracted the Sudbury wardens to carry out small maintenance tasks around our parish for 2 hours per week.

A recent example of this work was to tidy the growth around some of the tree trunks in the village. The wardens recently responded to and cleared up gloss paint that had been poured over the play area at Lime Tree Green.

On a two weekly cycle the wardens move the Parish Council's Static Speed Indicator Device (SSID) between the four mounting brackets at the main gateways of the village.

The Parish Council hopes that these services will enhance the village for all.



### Parish Council Meetings:

Parish Council meetings are public and everyone is welcome to attend. The meetings start at 7pm at Acton Village Hall. Please refer to the Acton Parish Council website for information and dates.

**21st September 2022**  
**19th October 2022**  
**23rd November 2022**

**18th January 2023**  
**22nd February 2023**  
**22nd March 2023**

### Litter Picking

The Parish Council employs a part time litter picker who is out every week. Acton also has a volunteer group called the 'Acton Wombles' who regularly pick up litter. Everyone together making Acton a cleaner, safer place to live, work and visit. Contact us if you are interested in joining the 'Acton Wombles'.

### Community Speed Watch

The Community Speed Watch is working to make the village a safer place by conducting speed checks. Speed Watch is delivered by dedicated volunteers who feel passionately about road safety in our area. If you would like to be a part of the Speed Watch team contact the clerk and we will pass your details to the community speed watch coordinator.

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ACTON VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS

**CAR BOOT**

REFRESHMENTS

SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

11AM - 2PM

BOOK YOUR STALL  
Actonplaygroup  
@hotmail.co.uk

BURGER VAN \* ICE CREAM VAN

TRADE STALLS  
(INDOORS) £15  
CAR BOOT STALLS  
(OUTDOORS) £10

### Action Plan Consultation

Help the Parish Council decide what's needed for Acton. The Council will be at the Car Boot Sale on: September 25th 11am-2pm.

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