

### Village Hall News

At their meeting in April the Management Committee approved the next stage of maintenance to the exterior of the Hall. The work has now been completed with the replacement entrance doors installed and painted. They look extremely smart. The barge boards and cappings at both roof ends have been repaired/replaced, also new gable weatherboarding and barge boards over the front door. Other much needed smaller repairs and replacements have also been done. The AGM was also held in April. Thanks were expressed to all Committee members, with especial mention of the treasurer, Jane O'Leary, the secretary Liz Marzetti, the caretaker and bookings officer Tony Murphy, and to Persephone Booth for once again preparing the annual accounts. The Committee thanked Corinne de Roeper for her hard work in the years she had served. John Dick and Richard Baker have joined as new committee members. Future fund raising events include a return of the most popular Harvest Hop with Jon & Mario on 29th October and of course, the 2012 Kettleburgh Players pantomime. Watch out for more details soon.

### Meet your MP Evening

We were pleased to welcome Dr Dan Poulter to a meeting in the Village Hall on Friday 8th July. There was time to chat with Dan over refreshments before the meeting began, then after a welcome and introduction by David Harris, Dan spoke about his first year at Westminster. Questions ranged from those of local to national importance and included: the proposed abolition of cheques; the Human Rights Act; rowdiness at Prime Ministers' Question Time; the overseas aid budget & attracting new enterprise to the area. It was disappointing that attendance was not greater, but we are grateful to Dan and his constituency secretary Diane Smith for the chance to hold the meeting.

### Kettleburgh Fete

The final total for the fete was £2741.24, to be divided between St Andrew's Church and the Village Hall. Thank you once again to everyone who contributed to making it such a happy day and working towards raising these most needed funds. The fete committee met to 'debrief' after the event, hoping to make next year's event even better. The date for 2012 has been set - **Saturday 16th June**

### Local events

**Fridays from 11:00 -12 noon - The Village Grocer Mobile Shop—parked behind the Village Hall**

First Friday of the month - Coffee Morning

Mondays 10-11a.m - Keep Fit

31 July - Auto Jumble at Church Farm

3 September - Village Produce Show

29 October - Harvest Hop with Jon & Mario

*See the 'Events' page of the website or the village notice board for more details.*



## PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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### **Report from Kettleburgh Parish Council meetings held on 18 May & 9 June**

At the Annual meeting on 18 May the first item on the agenda was the election of a Chairman. With two nominations, a vote was taken and with the present Chairman using his casting vote, Cllr Harris was elected as Chairman, with Cllr Jessop as Vice Chairman. Following the election in May, all Councillors signed their 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office'. You will see from the 'Contact Details' overleaf that Deborah Bell and Angus Wheeler-Rowe have joined the Parish Council. We welcome them and also thank Vickie Neilson and Patrick Garland for their time and commitment over the past four years. Mr Rob Booth was invited to give a report following the Broadband Conference in Beccles which he attended on behalf of the Parish Council. You can read the details of his report on the website in the minutes of this meeting. Cllr Wheeler-Rowe agreed to organise a working party on the subject and report to the July meeting.

Cllr Jessop produced a report on Localism - the government's aim to shift power from central government back to individuals, communities and councils. Once again, you can read the full report in the minutes.

It was noted that the measures taken by Anglian Water to reduce overflows at the pumping station have been successful to date. Representatives from AW are now turning their attention to Brandeston, which has been identified as the principal source of excess surface water ingress.

With the new gateways in place, there are still two issues regarding traffic calming to be resolved: moving the 'Kettleburgh' sign on the Easton Road to a position close to the gateway; the possible installation of a third gateway on the Framlingham Road.

Slow progress has been made on legal matters regarding the Village Green: the transfer of the licence on the land behind 7 Church Road is now complete; vehicular access to 11 Church Road should progress now that Land Registry has been informed that the Clerk has the authority to sign parish documents; the provision of a long term lease to KGT is nearing a successful conclusion. A planning meeting was held on 9 June. Councillors had no objections to the application C/11/1179 for an extension at Corner House.

Meeting dates have been set as follows: 14 September; 9 November.

2012: 11 January ; 14 March; 9 May (Annual Parish Meeting);

16 May (Annual Parish Council Meeting).

You are most welcome to attend. Refreshments are provided from 7:00p.m and there is always the opportunity for the public to raise any matters of concern.

### **Annual Reports/Accounts/Audit**

The Annual Parish Meeting, which took place on 11th May, received reports from all our local organisations. You can read these on the website, or a copy may be obtained from the Parish Clerk. Parish Council accounts for the year ended 31 March 2011 have been audited and were approved at the Annual Meeting. A summary of accounts is also prepared annually to be sent for external audit. Part of this process includes a lengthy 'Statements of Assurance' declaration, which confirms that all matters relating to Parish Council affairs are conducted with due regard to risk, to codes of practice and in accordance with the requirements of the 'Accounts & Audit Regulations'. Once completed, the 'Annual Return' is sent for scrutiny. This process is repeated all over England by Parish Councils - some in communities even smaller than ours.

### **Village Produce Show**

The annual Kettleburgh Produce Show will take place on Saturday 3rd September. You will find a copy of the schedule included with this newsletter, so you can plan what you intend to enter this year. It gives details of all the classes, how to enter, and most importantly, the final date for handing in your entry form. The committee decided to keep the entry fee at 20p again this year and once again the popular 'Men Only' chocolate cake is included. The hall will be set out ready to receive entries on the Friday evening before the show. You can also bring entries on the Saturday morning before 10:30a.m, when judging begins. The Village Hall will be open from 2:30p.m on the Saturday so that you can admire all the entries - vegetables, fruit, flowers, cookery, jams, jellies, chutneys, wine, photographs and children's classes too. The committee are looking forward to another successful show.

### **Chief Scout Gold Awards**

On Friday 8 July awards were presented to four Kettleburgh Scouts, who meet in the Village Hall on Fridays. Before his meeting in the Village Hall, Dan Poulter visited the Scouts on the Village Green and was able to spend a little time with them before presenting Chief Scout Gold Awards to Joe Western, John Constable, Ollie Sharp and Toby Gray. This is the highest award available in the Scout section, so many congratulations to them from all in Kettleburgh.

### **Bus Shelter**

You may have noticed that the bus shelter is looking cleaner. The Parish Council has appointed Mr Andrew Berry to clean it once every quarter.

### **Recycling Facilities in Kettleburgh**

Although SCDC is no longer organising the paper bank facility in The Chequers car park, you may have noticed that it is still in operation. Thanks to Patrick Garland and a few enquiries by the Parish Clerk, the Village Hall will still benefit from the small amount of money raised by this recycling. So please continue to use it. The bottle bank has changed shape and multiplied, but it is still there to receive all your glass bottles and jars, mixed glass in one container and clear in the other.

### **Neighbourhood Watch**

Please be aware that 'Yellow Pages' will be delivered sometime between 17 August & 7 September. If you will be away during that time, you may like to ask a neighbour to store the directory for you, to avoid it being left on your doorstep.