



**Want to know what Glemsford Parish Council is up to?  
Here's the latest Bulletin to keep you in the picture**

Our very good wishes to everyone in the Village. Summer is on the way, there's a new optimism in the air and life is about to return we hope to a version of normal. The Parish Council has been functioning on all cylinders throughout both lockdowns, though our meetings of course have been virtual. However our next on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June will be in the flesh in the Village Hall and visitors will as always be welcome.

### **HOORAY, WE HAVE A QUIET LANE!**



Well, it has taken a lot of time and hard work, but we think it has been worth it. As some of you may know The Horseshoe (the U shaped country route formed by Shepherd's Lane, Plum Street and New Street), has been officially designated A QUIET LANE and there are now signs at each end of the road to indicate this. For an area much loved and frequented by walkers, dog owners, cyclists and schoolchildren, this is a big achievement. We're not saying that the lane was previously unsafe, we're just trying to make it even safer by encouraging motorists to be aware of, and considerate towards, the many people who use the route for leisure and pleasure.

### **GLEMSFORD VILLAGE NEWS**

You may have seen the new and extremely smart notice board which has been installed near the railings in front of the Village Hall. It's cunningly divided into two halves, one for Parish Council notices and the other for anyone in the Village who wishes to share information. If you would like to have a notice put up please email it (see below) or drop it into the Parish Clerk when the office reopens on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June (if government guidelines remain the same). There will be a formal decision on the office opening at the Parish Council Meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> June.



### **.....AND SPEAKING OF REOPENING**

The Village Hall will be open for business once again on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May. Already there's a flood of bookings from exercise classes, dance groups and art classes. A reminder too that planning permission for the new Village Hall extension has gone through, but please note that a small change related to the extending of the porch to cover both the Village Hall and Library entrances, is yet to be approved.

## 'GREENING GLEMSFORD'



Thanks to the efforts of our energetic representative Lesli Tunbridge and her Climate Working Group, there is now a planning submission in place to plant hedgerows and trees alongside the village hall car park and part of Tower Meadow. The trees are being offered free by Babergh and Mid Suffolk Council Tree Planting initiative. There are in addition two wildflower planting projects going on, one at St Mary's Churchyard and another at the small green in between Kings Road and the adjacent playground.

Meanwhile a delivery of tiny tree saplings has arrived from the Woodland Trust destined for land near to the Allotments. These will be planted out in the Autumn. Glemsford will now be even greener.

## CHOCOHOLIC



According to the latest information the Cocoa Factory planned for the old Phillips Aventure site on Lower Road is scheduled for completion by the middle of next year with on site work to start this Summer. There'll be two major production areas, one for cocoa the other for chocolate. The buildings are to be designed sympathetically using sustainable materials and an exciting silver finish to blend into the skyline! We've been told there'll be no change to the frontage which will look the same from the road. With the promise of 250 to 300 jobs in the near future this is delicious news for Glemsford.

## FLOODING AT THE CHURCH

This has proved a complicated problem and an ongoing issue with the County Council for more than twenty years, so it's cause for celebration that there's now an end in sight. After lengthy negotiations a contract for the work has at last been approved by Suffolk County Council so that we no longer have to wade through a shallow lake to get to the Church and churchyard. Historic achievement!

## ROSE PLANTING

Meanwhile on the small green opposite Wong's everything's coming up roses. Indiscriminate parking has damaged and heavily rutted the grass there and in response to number of complaints Councillors and volunteers have planted ranks of rose bushes along the margins to deter people from driving their vehicles onto the grass. Happy to report that the roses are doing well and should look good by the Summer.



## TIDY VILLAGE

Calling all helpers for the Glemsford Litter-Pick which is scheduled for Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>. We meet outside the Village Hall at 10.30. Black bags and grabbers provided.

## YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

Stephen Plumb – Chairman and District Councillor.

Adrian Southgate – Vice Chairman, Rowan Cain, Maggie Leopold, Mike Sewell, Brian Stephens, Ruth Stephens

## How to Contact Glemsford Parish Council

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