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New parish council web site - November 2017

At their November meeting, Kirby Cane & Ellingham Parish Council announced its new web site at <https://kceparishcouncil.wixsite.com/kcepc>, complete with a more user-friendly styling that will enable you to find the information you need on your local council and its meetings. The old site (<http://kirbycaneandellinghampc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>) will be phased out and will no longer be maintained, so please update your links now.

Records archived - October update

This year, many records have been placed for safe keeping in the archives within the [Norfolk Record Office](#) at County Hall, Norwich. These range from the ancient records of Ellingham United Charities (not available for public viewing) and Kirby Cane Charities (KCC). The KCC documents describe the charitable lands, some dating from the 17th century (now recorded with the Land Registry), and are available for you to read.

The minutes of the parish council are also now stored in the Norfolk Record Office, including those from recent years, and are publicly available.

Playing field celebrations - 20th August 2017

In spite of some clashes with other local events, there was an excellent turn-out by local residents of all ages enjoying a thoroughly good afternoon out. The Playground Committee of the parish council had raised nearly £60,000 for this project, and this was an opportunity to thank the sponsors and local businesses who gave so generously to the cause. Thanks also went to: Robert Earl, who loaned a stage and also brought along his hot-food stand, and two excellent local singing acts (Steve from Covered and Rosie Hiskey).



The local brewery (Bull in the Woods) did a roaring trade, while the Kirby Cane Memorial Hall committee provided light refreshments and some wonderful cakes and scones. There were also games to play and the new Ellingham village sign was also on display.

Many thanks to the sponsors:

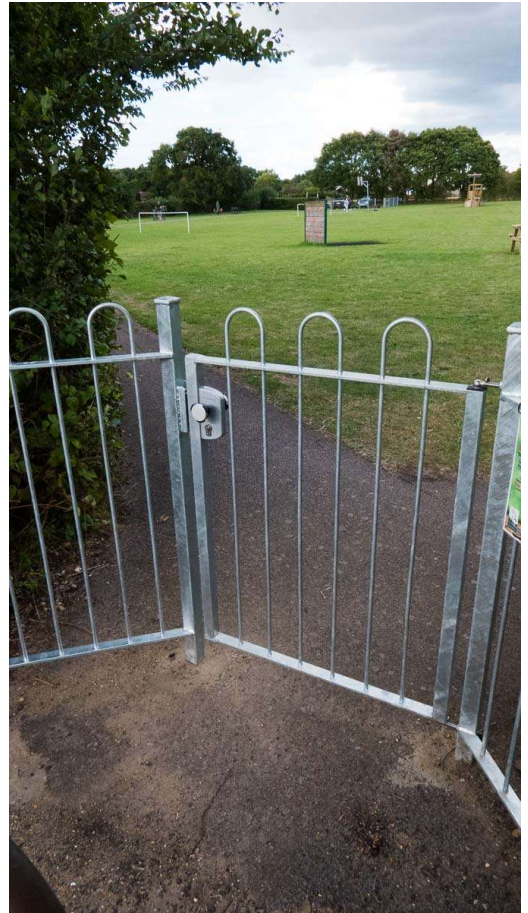
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- Tesco Bags of Help
- Central England Co-operative
- Asda Community Award
- Kirby Cane & Ellingham Parish council
- Ellingham United Charities
- Kirby Cane Charities

(Local companies can purchase advertisement space on the boards provided at the playing field - please contact the [parish clerk](#).)

Playing field update - 30th July 2017

A tarmac path now runs from Mill road to the north gate on the playing field. Previously it had been a struggle for wheelchairs, buggies and so on to cross the shingle drive.





Other additions include a new gate at the school end of the field



two large picnic benches.

and

The tarmac pad has been laid, ready for the junior skate ramps that will be coming very soon.



We are extremely grateful to the following sponsors who have donated to our cause (we have tried not to be greedy and asked for small donations from lots of different sources to give others a chance):

- WREN (Entrust)

- Ellingham United Charities
- Kirby Cane Charities
- Dulverton Trust Fund
- Saracens Norfolk Fund
- Shelroy Family Fund
- Adnams Brewery
- Geoffrey Watling Fund
- SNC Neighbourhood Fund
- Tesco Bags of Help Groundworks Fund
- Asda Community Award Scheme
- Beach Radio Help an East Coast Child Charity
- Shelroy Family Fund.

24th April 2017

Thanks to pressure from the council and public, a new [trial feeder service for the 581 link](#) commenced in April 2017. Provided by BACT, it will initially be FREE (during the trial) and operate Monday to Friday. It is a trial, so please use it or lose it!

Jan. 2017 - £46,899 raised for playing field equipment!

At the last parish council meeting it was announced that a massive sum of £46,899 has been raised for playing field equipment. Funds have come from a range of organisations and local events. Donors include: South Norfolk Council Neighbourhood Fund, Geoffrey Watling charity, WREN, Saracens Fund, Dulverton Trust Fund, local charities, Adnams, Tesco and a campaign is currently in progress with Asda Lowestoft Help the Community Scheme.

A zip wire will be installed in the next few months and plans are being made for a small scooter/skate park for younger children. You can place your comments and suggestions for the style of ramp using Facebook - look for "*Funding for Ellingham & Kirby Cane Playground*".

We have managed to secure funding from WREN but in order for us to proceed they need to know that we are going to purchase items which the community would like. If your children are likely to use the playingfield, please complete the [questionnaire](#).

Jan. 2017 - High speed broadband reaches our area

At the parish council meeting of 17th Jan. 2017, residents heard that internet speed, things should improve as [BT](#) is now offering speeds of 55Mb and 74Mb to some houses - those mostly served via the cabinet near the bus shelter in Yarmouth Road.

Many properties will still not be able to obtain these new speeds, but not all might not be lost: [B4RNorfolk](#) will be giving their second [presentation](#), on a new means of obtaining high speed broadband, in the Memorial Hall at 7pm on the 23rd February 2017. B4RNorfolk users will get speeds of 1Gb as standard.

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