

Walberswick Village Website

The past two years have seen little change to the website except for minor alterations in its presentation. First is the Heritage Hut which with its improved status, has been removed from the Home page and has its own top heading. Second is the newly initiated Neighbourhood Plan which has its own title under Home and which now incorporates the Parish Plan.

Claire Whittenbury and I have been pleased to welcome Andrew Lewis as an additional administrator. Our sub-editors remain

- Andrew Lewis for the Parish Council and Heritage Hut
- Mark Knight for the Parish Council
- Pat Lancaster for the History Group and village archives
- Bill Willison for the Village Hall
- Matthew Wetmore for the Common Lands Charity and Communal Beach Hut

The three administrators deal with everything else.

For those of you who have not discovered the village website yet, it contains everything you might need or want to know about Walberswick with records going back to 2009 when it was created. You can see what concerns the Parish Council, and what is happening with the Bridge and Sizewell C. The Common Lands Charity pages will answer all your questions about what's going on on the Common, Planning will show you the current applications for the cottage or trees next door to you, and the Latest News Posts inform you when the ferry is operating and when the community bus runs. There are about 75 individual headings holding hundreds of pages of information.

During 2020 the Diary quickly emptied because of lock-down, but the Latest News Posts took over, keeping the village up to date with closures and health advice, then finally and at last the gradual reopenings. It's good to see the Village Hall Diary in use again, and What's On filling up quickly.

Those of you who read the website may have noticed a little grey man has appeared on the lefthand side of each page enabling one to make the text larger or change the colour, but what you will probably not have noticed is that the website fully conforms with the new Accessibility regulations. The three summer months of 2020 were spent checking and editing every page. I should like to thank Andrew Lewis for his invaluable help. We now follow a specific set of guidelines to make sure our content meets the WCAG 2.1 standard. Our aim has been to make it accessible to anyone with any disability. One of the most challenging has been making sure that every one of our pages is legible to the visually impaired.

The website's capacity is all but infinite and we always welcome your input. Just get in touch with any of us. Our emails are all there, or use the Contact Us page to address your query straight to the person who can answer.