THE SHELF

Citizens Advice Diss, Thetford & District on Shelfanger Road, in Diss 0808 812 7138

A social supermarket collectively working with other charitable organisations, the network aims to provide household essentials at a reduced cost, and also help redistribute items that might otherwise be wasted. BECOME A MEMBER of The Shelf for just £3.50 per household annually.

Opening Times:
Mondays & Thursdays : 9.30-11.30am
Fridays: 12.30-2.30pm

Council Help Hub

Mon-Fri 8.15am – 10pm
01508 533933
helphub@southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk

Offering practical support, suggest community groups, and offer advice and guidance to get you back on track.

borderhoppa
transport for the community

Borderhoppa provides a range of vital community transport services which are available to people who have no access to other forms of transport.
01379 854800
adminborderhoppa@btconnect.com

Norfolk Mobile Library

Visits Gissing (Burston Rd Council Houses) every 4 weeks (Wednesdays) 12.25 – 12.40pm
21st October, 18th November, 16th December
01603 222303

Who We Are

About Us

Your Parish Council is made up of 5 Parish Councillors. Members of the Council are always willing to discuss topics put forward by the public. Our Agenda is prepared about a week before the next Council meetings so you will need to inform the Clerk or the Chair about 10 days prior to the Meeting. This Council gives the public an opportunity to speak at a designated section during the meeting.

Could you help your community?
We have a
Vacancy on the Parish Council
Contact the Clerk or the Chair if you are interested in a role

David Eddington – 01379 677790 (Chair)
Kevin Jordan – 07966 452875
Paul Leeder – 07397 985955

County Cllr Margaret Thomas	margaret.thomas.cllr@norfolk.gov.uk Tel: 01603 223834
District Cllr James Easter	james.easter@southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk

Gissing Parish Council meetings 2026/27
Held in the Community Building at 7.30pm on the following dates
3rd November
5th January
2nd March
4th May – Annual Parish Meeting (7pm) & PC
1st June – Finance Meeting
6th July



Gissing Community Building

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WEBSITE
https://www.gissingpc.info/

Community Services

Pulham Surgery – 01379 676227
Diss Surgery – 01379 642021
Police (non-emergency) – 101
NHS (non-emergency) – 111
South Norfolk Council
01508 599701 / 0800 3896109
Norfolk County Council
01603 222846

Gissing Childrens Centre *loves being part of the community. Being able to use the Millennium Wood for nature sessions & treasure hunts & walk across the meadows. We enjoy decorating the font in the church for festivals and special occasions and taking part in the Classic Car event & Angel Fayre. Thank you to everyone in the village that supports us, volunteers, by donations & those who help us in other ways.*

Our usual core opening hours 9-3pm term time, we offer extended hours from 8am until 4.30pm which includes a daily breakfast club (8-9am) Offering places for 2-4yrs old, we accept all forms of early years funding (2 yr old funded – 15, 30 hours funding). We are also registered as a provider for tax-free childcare. For non-funded children/hours, our fees are £6 per hour. Our register is pretty full but it is still worth getting in touch to visit. Contact Linda:- manager@gissingchildrenscentre.co.uk

St Mary's Church Gissing

Gissing Parish welcomes Reverend Tracey Caswell, as part of the Winfarthing & Upper Waveney Benefice

Upcoming events for your diary

Remembrance Sunday
Gissing War Memorial
8th November 2026, 10.50am

Christmas Angel Fayre
5th December 2026, 2 – 5pm

Carol Service
13th December 2026, 11am

St Marys Church are in the process of renovating the windows. Some have been completed and two more are on target for being revealed before Christmas. If you would like to make a donation to the fund raising efforts please contact : friendsofgissingchurch@btinternet.com

Christmas Fayre
5th December 2026, 2pm

If you have an event coming up in Gissing or something to be included in the newsletter please contact clerk@gissingparishcouncil.gov.uk

GISSING COMMUNITY BUILDING
THE HEART OF GISSING

Gissing Heritage and Habitat
Screening of
'The Peoples Emergency Briefing'
November 10th, 7.30pm

The Gissing Community Building continues to provide a pleasant and convenient space for many private parties, classes and meetings, not to mention the many local clubs and groups that use it on a regular basis.

Full details of times and contacts for the Bee Group, Gissing Crafter, Gardening Group, Heritage & Habitat, Reading, Toddler Group, Gissing Singers, Table Tennis, Yoga and Ballet Clases can all be found at:
http://gissingcommunitybuildng.org/
Just click on the image for 'Community'.
Information can also be found on the Building's Facebook page.

Gissing Educational & Careers Bursary
This scheme makes small amounts of money available every year for items such as books and equipment or activities Available to all under 25 living in Gissing or whose parents living in the village can apply. Amount of grant varies depending on applications each year. Max £500.
Contact admin@heartofgissing.co.uk

GISSING COMMUNITY BUILDING EVENTS

The **Gissing Café** continues to be hugely popular. During the height of this year's summer heat, it was a welcome cool space in which to meet friends & neighbours and to enjoy excellent home made food. As winter approaches, its warm and cosy atmosphere will be equally attractive to the many people who have its **last Friday of the month** opening, as a regular date in their diaries.

With Christmas Day itself falling on the last Friday of December, there will of course be no December Café but instead there is a New Year's Brunch to look forward to on
Sunday January 3rd.
It's an ideal opportunity to meet up after the festivites and to start 2027 on a convivial note. There will be the usual range of tempting dishes with dietary requirements catered for. More details of the event will be emailed out the village shortly and these also appear on the Gissing Comminuty Building Facebook page.
https://www.facebook.com/gissingcommunitybuilding/
Email events@gissingcommunitybuilding.org

Another date to put in next year's diary is **June 6th 2027** when, once again, Gissing will welcome dozens of Classic Cars and the owners to what has now become a regular highlight of the summer. As well as being a highly enjoyable day out for all the family, all the proceeds from this event go to the Heart of Gissing Charity to help maintain the Community Building and the Old School for the benefit of their community. Anyone who feels able to help in some way, either on the day itself or beforehand, please contact
events@gissingcommunitybuilding.org
or call 07504 895182