

Northamptonshire ACRE News

OCTOBER 2020



PARISH COUNCIL & COMMUNITY HALLS

To find out about the added benefits of being a member go to:

<https://www.northantsacre.org.uk/thank-you-our-parish-council-members>

Parish Council Membership

- FREE telephone & email advice
- Discounted Rural Officer visits
- Discount on training days, workshops & hosted events
- Advertising via Social Media accounts & Village Viewpoint
- Updates of our services at NACRE & The Barns
- For more information:

<https://www.northantsacre.org.uk/ourservices>

Community Facilities Membership

- 5 hours free phone & email advice
- Bi Monthly Community Facilities newsletter
- Free electronic Village Hall information sheets
- Model legal documents discounted for members
- Regular Ebulletin updates
- For more information:

<https://www.northantsacre.org.uk/ourservices>

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE'S COVID-19 COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank everyone who entered into our Northamptonshire's COVID-19 Community Champions Celebrations.

We had an amazing 78 entries showing some amazing work going on throughout your communities.

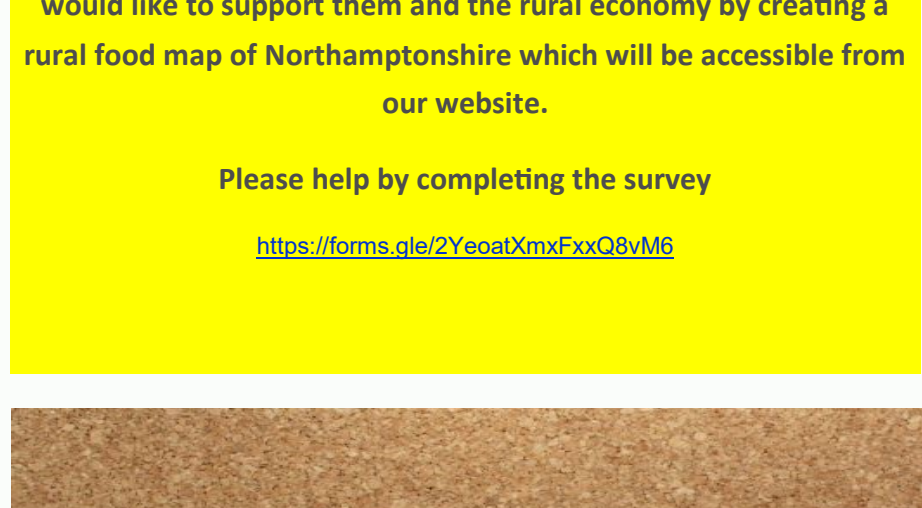
All of our entries will be presented in a booklet to show all the wonderful work happening around us in this difficult time.

We will also be hosting an evening on Wednesday 12th May 2021 to celebrate all of these individuals and groups.

Make sure you follow us on social media where we will be sharing some of the stories and pictures we have received.



Our Half Term Halloween Event sold out within the first hour of being advertised so thank you to all of those who booked tickets!



Northamptonshire ACRE and partners are concerned about food poverty and the availability/ accessibility of food in rural Northamptonshire.

This survey is part of a wider project to highlight the issues faced by rural communities, and to provide support to the communities in need of extra support. We will be publishing a report to share the results of the survey. You can support the work by completing and sharing the survey below with your networks.

We are also aware of many fantastic local food suppliers and we would like to support them and the rural economy by creating a rural food map of Northamptonshire which will be accessible from our website.

Please help by completing the survey

<https://forms.gle/2YeoaTmxXfxQ8vM6>

network

Wednesday 4th November 2020 (AM)
Community Facilities Training Event
'Trustee Rules and Responsibilities'

Online Zoom Event

Areas Covered:
7 key duties of a charity trustee
Trustee liability

Parish councils and village halls: custodian trustee & sole trustee
Understanding your governing document (trust deed, constitution, CIO etc.)

Cost: £25pp (member) & £30pp (non-member)

Email: Frances.harris@northantsacre.org.uk

Thursday 12th November 2020
Parish Councillors Network Event
'Improving the biodiversity of your Community'

4pm—6pm

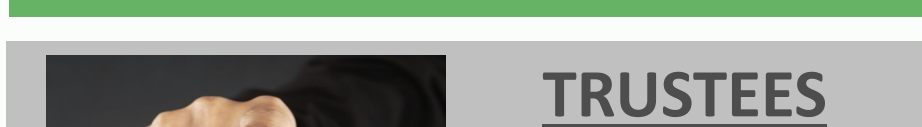
Online Zoom Event

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parish-councillors-network-event-biodiversity-tickets-123661204993>

This meeting is open to all Parish Councillors and Parish Council Clerks who are members of Northamptonshire ACRE and will be held via Zoom.

We will be looking at how villages and rural communities can improve the biodiversity of their area and help to mitigate the effects of climate change on their environment.

It is all part of our Resilient Communities theme: how rural residents can prepare to lessen the impact of any crisis that might arise so that the health, wellbeing and livelihoods of residents are increased.



SAFEGUARDING WEEK 16 - 22 NOVEMBER 2020

The ACRE Network will be launching its National Lottery funded Village Halls Safeguarding Project during Safeguarding Week (16-22 November 2020). The aim of the two-year project is to promote good safeguarding practice by raising awareness and increasing the knowledge and confidence of village hall volunteers. A range of support resources will be made available to village hall committees including a revised and updated safeguarding information sheet, template policies and procedures, signposting to external safeguarding bodies and access to training.

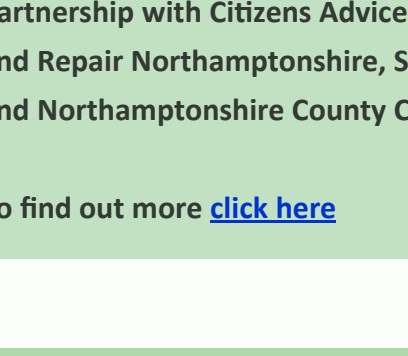
WELCOME



The Trustees and staff of Northamptonshire ACRE would like to welcome Mr James Saunders Watson, Lord-Lieutenant of Northamptonshire, as our new Honorary President.

To find out more head to:

<https://www.northantsacre.org.uk/our-new-honorary-president>



TRUSTEES WANTED

Do you have some time to spare? Do you have an interest in rural affairs? Would you like to help shape the work of the charity? If the answer is yes, then we would like to hear from you.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a trustee then go to:

<https://www.northantsacre.org.uk/trustees-northamptonshire-acre>

Or email elaine.oleary@northantsacre.org.uk

Northamptonshire Energy Saving Service (NESS)

The Northamptonshire Energy Saving Service (known as NESS) is a new 3 year project (2018 – 2021) helping address fuel poverty across Northamptonshire.

New funding has been secured from National Grid's Warm Homes Fund and NESS is being delivered by Community Law Service in partnership with Citizens Advice Services Corby and Kettering, Care and Repair Northamptonshire, South Northants Volunteer Bureau and Northamptonshire County Council.

To find out more [click here](#)

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<https://www.northantsacre.org.uk/privacy-notice-and-data-protection-policy>

