

Trimley Saints Players
present their family pantomime..

Once Upon A Time

February 14th - 17th 2018

performances 7.30pm nightly (and matinee Saturday 17th at 2.30pm)

**at Trimley
Memorial Hall**

Call our Box Office 01394 671119

tickets £8 (matinee £7)

An Amateur production by Paul Barron & Sarah Dyson in association with Lazy Bee Scripts

The Parish Pump

Newsletter of Trimley St Martin Parish Council

Memorial Hall

Newcomers to the village will be interested to know about the different activities going on at the Memorial Hall. To find out more about any of the following groups please contact the Hall Secretary on 01394 275575:

- ◆ Ballroom Dancing
- ◆ Baby Sensory Classes
- ◆ Trimley Wives
- ◆ Line Dancing
- ◆ Saints Player Am-dram Group
- ◆ Art group
- ◆ Sewing Group
- ◆ Quilting group

The hall is also host to many children's parties at a competitive price, and is available for private hire for family occasions.

Network Rail – Level Crossing Closures Order

The Public Enquiry into the closure of the footpath level crossings in the village and the installation of the huge, green metal bridge at Gun Lane will be held at Ipswich Town Football Club. It will start at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 23 January 2018 and run for four days. Members of the public are welcome to attend. The Parish Council has made its concerns known at every opportunity and will be at the enquiry to press for our crossings to remain open and for an underpass or a more appropriate design of bridge to fit in with the surroundings.

Power Cuts—Priority Services Register

Many people need extra support during a power cut for reasons of age, health or disability. If you could benefit from this don't forget to register with UK Power Networks Priority Service Register. You can find out more online at ukpowernetworks.co.uk or telephone 0800 31 63 105

Traffic Matters

A14 Diversion

Major works on the A14 have meant that residents have had to put up with overnight diversion of traffic through the village. Diversions are planned by Highways England and, although the Parish Council were not consultees, they have made their concerns well known on residents' behalf. If you would like to see these routes reviewed for future use, you can contact Highways England by email at info@highwaysengland.co.uk, or write to your M.P. Therese Coffey, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA.

New Developments

There are changes to come which are linked to housing developments approved by Suffolk Coastal District Council in 2016 and 2017. No dates have been set, but conditions have been imposed which will see a new pedestrian crossing installed just along from the junction with High Hall Close. As well as improving safety the crossing should introduce an element of traffic calming. Another planning decision will result in a new bus shelter on the corner of the High Rd and Grimston Lane.

Speed Activated Signs

In December the Parish Council decided not to install a portable speed activated device because signs of the type approved by the County Council depend on volunteers being prepared to use a ladder to change the rechargeable battery packs.

Community Speedwatch

Would you be interested in becoming a Community Speedwatch volunteer? The police do not have the resources to carry out speed checks as often as many residents would like. One way to improve coverage is to train volunteers to carry out checks and record the registration numbers of speeders. To find out more email communityspeedwatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk or call 101 and ask for your local safer neighbourhood team.

Parking Problems

There have been problems recently in Old Kirton Rd with large quantities of mud on the road and poor visibility for drivers because of the large number of vans parked on the verge opposite the entrance to the building site. The Parish Council have made every effort to minimise the difficulties by liaising with the developer and with the local police. The Parish Council have no enforcement powers in cases of this sort, but will ask others to cooperate and will continue to do what they can to keep problems to a minimum. If you notice violations of traffic laws these can be brought to the attention of the Safer Neighbourhood Team by calling 101. More generally, verges are easily damaged at this time of year when the ground is wet and residents are asked to bear this in mind when parking.

TV Reception

Some residents have had TV reception problems following the installation of the mobile phone mast on Howlett Way. If this is a problem for you, help may be available from **at800**. This organisation was set up to ensure that viewers who rely on Freeview continue to receive it when 4G services are launched. You can contact them on 0808 13 13 800.

Neighbourhood Plan

In September we asked residents to let us know if they would like the Parish Council to consider developing a neighbourhood plan for Trimley St Martin. The number of positive responses was in single figures and so the council decided not to go ahead at this time.

Parish Pump

Would you prefer to receive your newsletter by email in future? If so, and you haven't already asked for this service, please email your address to the Parish Clerk at parishclerk@trimley-st-martin.org.uk with the word "Newsletter" in the subject line.