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Norfolk County Councillor for Clavering Division
Alburgh, Aldeby, Broome, Denton, Ditchingham, Earsham, Ellingham,
Geldeston,
Gillingham, Hales and Heckingham, Haddiscoe, Hedenham, Kirby Cane, Norton
Subcourse, Raveningham, Stockton, Topcroft, Toft Monks, Thurlton, Wheatacre, Wortwell

April 2018 update

Chairman Norfolk County Council. Civic Role accepted for one year

I am honoured to have been elected Chairman of Norfolk County Council from May 8th It is very much a full time role and is non political. I am able to continue my constituency work where possible, but it limits my availability to attend Parish Councils. I will endeavour to send reports and answer email queries as always

My Theme for the year will be the **NORFOLK COMMUNITY SPIRIT.**

Major Infrastructure projects continue

Hales Roundabout on time despite delays because of weather.

NDR renamed and will be completed by end of this month. **Broadland Northway**

Hempnall staggered crossroads replacement with roundabout will start by end of next year 2019.

Long Stratton Bypass. Planning application submitted. Will require revisions. Still dependant on developer funding

Loddon / Hedenham Roundabout should start this year. Delays concerning gas mains. Housing development going well

POTHoles:PLEASE REPORT ONLINE USING NCC WEBSITE:

Repair of damage to roads following the snow and then flooding, has started. Potholes are the priority at present and more financial support awarded from central government

Parish Partnership funding:50% from NCC. Matched funding Parish

Haddiscoe, Wortwell, Denton, Alburgh have applied for SAM2s or and Stockton for funding for bus shelters. Geldeston also applied for funding but too late for this financial year. I have supported applications from my Highways allowance and all the above have been awarded funding

Plan early for next years allocation!

In Good Company. Charter Mark

Please suggest to any group working voluntarily to support people to reduce loneliness in the Community, that they may apply for a Charter Mark Award.

Norfolk County: Council Tax: REMINDER

The Council Tax information sent to residents is misleading but the facts remain as below
5.9% total increase in NCC Council tax:

3% Social Service ringfenced increase in Council Tax for Adult Social Service only

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2.9% increase for general purpose services to maintain all other services

.Police **and crime commissioner** had been asked to look at bringing Fire services as well as Police services under his scrutiny rather than NCC. Suggestions of improved collaborative work explored.

Commissioning comprehensive review

Community Services have asked a Task and Finish group. to look at Road Traffic accidents and review prevention tactics. Data collected already on every accident Will review causes and effective accident reduction measures

50% accidents are in rural areas and 50% urban

There has been a trend downwards over recent years but increased since the increased in mobile phone use and cyclists

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