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- Voucher for free donkey rides at the QPJ party in the Park.
- Notice of Annual Parish Council and Annual Parish Meeting.
- We say goodbye and thank you to the Friends of Old St. Margaret's (FOOSM).
- News from Ritson Lodge.
- County/Borough Cllr. Carl Annison writes.



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Goodbye from the FOOSM

The **FOOSM** have reluctantly decided to hang up our gardening gloves and put away our trowels and spades. We have come to the decision that, with advancing years and family commitments, we can't continue to do the work we have done for so many years at the Millennium Gardens.

For the past ten plus years we have enjoyed maintaining the gardens and working to raise funds that helped in the preservation of the ruins. Initially we organised many events in the grounds of the ruins and raised £8000 to kick start the preservation project.

Since they were reopened we have planted the orchard, planted hedging along the fence line and maintained the boat and various flower beds in the grounds. In the past few years we have had to give up some of the work and now we must stop.


Throughout we have been glad of the support we have had from Hopton Parish Council and their kind financial donations have funded the plants and compost we have used. The gardens are a great asset to the village and we can now enjoy them along with everyone else in the village and the visitors who come to the area.

Alison Mills (for the FOOSM).



The Parish Council would like to thank the **FOOSM** (past and present) for tending the various areas of the Millennium Garden. Their hard work and dedication have been much appreciated by the Council, residents and holidaymakers. We wish them all the best for the future.

Note: The Parish Council's contract gardener will continue to maintain the Millennium Garden, including the areas that the **FOOSM** have kindly attended to in the past.



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Welcome to Hopton

If you are new to Hopton, welcome! A copy of **Village News** will be delivered through your door every month. It should help you keep in touch with what's going on in Hopton. If you have any queries or we can help in any way please contact Julie, Clerk to the Council on 01502 730768 or pop into the Office at the Village Hall, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30am to 1.30pm. The Parish Council's website also has information at the click of a mouse.

www.hopton-on-sea-parish-council.norfolkparishes.gov.uk

We look forward to seeing you at one of the many events being held throughout the year in the village. There is also a Hopton Residents Facebook page (managed by residents).

Dear Hopton Residents

As your County Councillor I have been asked to share this information regarding support within your community.

The NSRT (Norfolk Swift Response Team) is a FREE 24 hour service that you can call if you have an urgent, unplanned need at home, and one that doesn't require the emergency services. The Scheme is for anyone over the age of 18, living at home, that require physical or practical support with their daily lives.

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- People with mental Health problems

For more information on this support go online and simply type in The Norfolk Swift Response Team and all the details will be provided and there are some links also to leaflets regarding this Free Service.

If you require any further assistance please contact me at:
carl.annison.cllr@norfolk.gov.uk or **01493 656854**

County/Borough Cllr. Carl Annison
Hopton and Bradwell South ward

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Make some room in your diary to support a local event ...

Are you involved in organising a local event? Let us know and we can spread the word. Contact hoptonparishclerk@hotmail.com or phone **01502 730768** and speak to Julie.

Every Sunday at 11am Service at St. Margaret's Church.

PlayVan every Thursday at the church 9.15 - 11.15am.

Youth Club every Friday 7 - 9pm during term time.

May:

Annual Parish Council Meeting and Annual Parish Meeting, Monday 9 May 2022, 7.30pm Village Hall. All welcome.

June:

Saturday 4 June. Celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at the Recreation Ground 12 midday to 7pm. See poster inside back cover for details.

Decorate your windows or front of your house to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Saturday 11 June and Saturday 25 June,

10am to 2pm Craft Fayre at St. Margaret's Church. Free entry.

July:

Saturday 9 July and Saturday 23 July, 10am to 2pm Craft Fayre at St. Margaret's Church.

August:

Saturday 22 August. Skateboarding/BMX/ Scooter Community Event. Full day of workshops, learning, competitions, plenty of prizes. Being run by King Ramps in association with Hopton on Sea Parish Council. Free event at the Recreation Ground.

Saturday 13 August and Saturday 27 August, 10am to 2pm Craft Fayre at St. Margaret's Church. Free entry.

September:

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In order to be eligible for the role, you will need to be over 18 and a qualifying citizen, including being on the electoral register.

For more information please contact the **Parish Clerk** on **01502 730768** or e-mail: **hoptonparishclerk@hotmail.com**

Interested candidates are encouraged to attend council meetings.

Chance to help shape Norfolk cycling and walking route plans

From today people are getting the chance to share their thoughts on where they would like to see new cycling and walking routes created across the county. Norfolk County Council is working in partnership with all district and borough councils to create a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) for Norfolk. The Norfolk LCWIP builds on plans already completed for Great Yarmouth, King's Lynn and Greater Norwich. A survey has been launched which will allow residents of Norfolk to suggest locations for where they'd like to see new routes, as well as having their say on what would encourage people to take up more active forms of travel. For the first time in a survey such as this the council will be using innovative technology to allow people to draw lines on a digital map to show where they would like new routes to be. Matt Hayward, lead projects manager said: "The wider plan for Norfolk is still at an early

stage so any feedback is crucial in helping to shape this important project. We want to know what you think will work, and what could help people to cycle and walk more. As well as suggesting locations where cycling and walking routes could be developed. "By improving the cycling and walking network within Norfolk we can help cut congestion, improve air quality and help combat climate change. Which are all in addition to the health and wellbeing benefits gained through regular exercise." The aim is to develop a countywide walking and cycling network, and identify infrastructure improvements over the short, medium and long term. The plan will support the delivery of a low carbon, well-connected transport network in Norfolk. People can take part in the survey from 5th April- 30 May. To find out more and have your say visit: **www.norfolk.gov.uk/activetravel**

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YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

Hopton on Sea Parish Council meetings take place on the dates listed below commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The Agenda is published on the Parish Council's website and on the three noticeboards in the parish. A public forum takes place during each monthly session where you can raise issues that are of concern to you.

Next meeting dates: 9 May Annual Parish Council Meeting and Annual Parish Meeting, 13 June.

Your Parish Cllrs are:-

Chris Ward, Chairman	07904765908
Jan Windsor-Luck, Vice-Chairman	07941145152
Keith Bradley	07561266209
Yvonne Bradley	07869284973
Sue Hacon	01493 444271
Pamela Oakes	07850584679
Jenny Spencer	07986612066
Ruth Straughan	07801658612
John Tonks	07956 873232
Julie McNair, Clerk to Council (message service)	01502 730768

e-mail: hoptonparishclerk@hotmail.com

There are two Parish Cllr vacancies at Hopton. If you would like more information and an application form please contact Julie

Your Borough Councillors:

Carl Annison	01493 656854
Sue Hacon	01493 444271
Katy Stenhouse	07526317590

Your MP:

Brandon Lewis	01493 854550
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If you are interested in joining the Parish Council, please get in touch with Julie or Chris.

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- Whose Royal Wedding took place in 1973.
Names of both parties required.
- What is the most expensive spice in the world by weight
- What is the average of the numbers: 1, 10 and 100
- Who plays Hyacinth Bucket in TVs `Keeping Up Appearances`
- What was Frankenstein's first / christian name
- In which Dickens novel does Mr. Micawber appear

Vodka, Edelweiss, Polo, Sir Walter Scott, Princess Anne & Captain Mark Phillips, Saffron, 37 (add the 3 numbers then divide by 3), Patricia Routledge, Viktor, David Copperfield

Parish Precept - some good news for residents

When your Council Tax bill drops through the letterbox, it gives a breakdown of the amount due. This includes an amount that is paid by a homeowner to Great Yarmouth Borough Council, which is then passed onto your Parish Council. The breakdown at the bottom of your bill shows the amount that is paid as part of the Parish Precept. For example, last year (2021/22) the amount paid by a Band D property was £29.74 per annum. This financial year (2022/23) the amount you pay for the **Parish Precept** part of the bill has been **reduced by 5.1%**. A Band D property will pay £28.21 per annum, a

reduction of £1.53. This is because your Parish Cllrs. decided not to increase the amount of Precept, but keep the Precept income the same as last year. As the tax base has increased from 1013 last year to 1068 this year, it has the effect of reducing the Parish Precept part of your Council Tax bill by 5.1%. It may not be much, but when all other utilities and costs are increasing rapidly, we hope that you appreciate the small gesture.

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Bingo evening

Bingo evening was a great success

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Thanks to Morrison's Gorleston, Tesco Lowestoft, B & Q Norwich, Nando's Norwich, East Coast Cinema Lowestoft and Prevent Fire Limited Gorleston, for donating prizes.

This year we will be holding a Summer event (date to be agreed) watch this space for details.

Vivianne Trorey

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At the last SNAP meeting, PC
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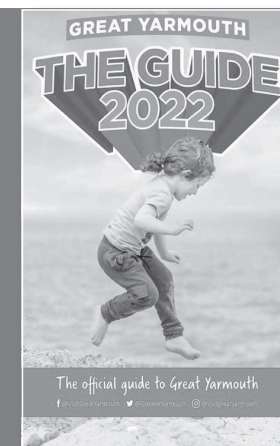
Announcement

Janice Burford

Passed away at home on Saturday,
March 12th, aged 62, after a short
illness. A loving wife to the late John
Burford, Mum to Jonathan and
Jo-anne and nanna to Millie,
mother-in-law to Keith, sister,
sister-in-law and auntie.

She was Brown Owl of 1st Hopton
Brownies between 2002-2014, and
spent many more years helping
within girl guiding and other
charitable causes.

She will be greatly missed by
all who knew her.



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SAM2 report - Kill Your Speed

15th March to 12th April 2022

We placed the SAM2 camera on Lowestoft Road facing south in this
period. Even though this road had road works during that period, the
highest speed recorded was 65mph on 4 occasions.

SAM2 recorded 6,280 vehicles speeding, of which 4,241 were
recorded travelling between 30mph and 35ph. The total amount of
speeding which SAM2 recorded was 6,280 out of that 4,241 was
found going between 30mph to 35mph. In total, 18,297 vehicles came
up Longfulans Lane and down Lowestoft Road during that period.

Cllr. Chris Ward, Chairman, Hopton-on-Sea Parish Council.

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HOPTON-ON-SEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minute of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11 April 2022 commencing at 7.30pm at Hopton Village Hall, Station Road, Hopton-on-Sea NR31 9BE.

Present: Parish Cllrs: Chris Ward (Chairman), Jan Windsor-Luck (Vice Chairman), Keith Bradley, Yvonne Bradley, Sue Hacon, Pamela Oakes, Jenny Spencer, Ruth Straughan. Also present: County/Borough Cllr. Carl Annison. Julie McNair, Clerk to the Council. Three members of the public attended.

The Chairman pointed out housekeeping matters.

1. To consider apologies for absence. Apologies received from Cllr. John Tonks.

2. To receive declarations of interest in respect of items on the agenda. None.

3. Public Forum.

a) A suggestion was put forward to investigate the hiring/purchase of a thermal camera, that could be used by homeowners to assess heat loss. The Parish Council will look into this. b) The question of solar panels on the roof of the Village Hall. Contact details for the Secretary of the Village Hall Management Trust was provided, as this is not a Parish Council matter.

4. To confirm the Minute of the Parish Council meeting held 14 March 2022. It was proposed by Cllr. Windsor-Luck and seconded by Cllr. Y. Bradley to approve the Minute as read. This was agreed.

5. To receive County and Borough Councillors' Reports.

Borough Cllr. Hacon advised there is an on-going matter concerning a property in the village. Ward budgets will be available shortly. Hopton Borough Councillors each have £1,000 to spend (shared between Hopton and Bradwell South wards). Suggestions are welcome.

County/Borough Cllr. Annison advised there is a Norfolk Swift

Response Service that supplies physical or practical support with daily tasks to anyone over 18 years of age. This is a free service. Details will be included in a future edition of Village News magazine. Highways England have repaired some of the lights on the roundabout. They will repair others as soon as they can. Julian Way and Watsons Close playgrounds are untidy. GYBC will be tidying up including grass cutting soon. Some of the white lines on Warren Road have been repainted. The white lines on Station Road and Coast Road also need re-painting. Road repairs at St. Andrews Close are in the pipeline.

6. To receive and consider the Clerk's reports:-

a) Correspondence. As circulated to all Cllrs.

b) Planning applications received: 06/22/0036/CU Proposed change of use to a dental practice at Franson Caravan Park Warren Road Hopton-On-Sea NR31 9BN. No objection by the Planning Committee.

06/22/0040/HH Proposed single storey rear extension to provide attendant living accommodation for care assistance including rear dormer window and balcony to rear at 64 Links Road Hopton NR31. No objection by the Planning Committee.

06/22/0229/HH Proposed single storey rear extension with flat roof at 8 Flowerday Close.

With the Planning Committee.
Permissions Granted by GYBC:- None. **Planning Permissions Refused by GYBC:** None

c) Finance. To agree invoices for payment and bank reconciliation statement.

Nine payments and two direct debits from the business current account totalling £4,441.46. It was proposed by Cllr. Spencer and seconded by Cllr. K. Bradley to approve the list of payments and bank reconciliation statement. This was unanimously agreed. The financial year end balance is £46,971.46.

7. To receive updates and consider matters relating to the Recreation Ground and Pavilion Building:-

a) Repairs to the wire fence fronting the car park.

The fence has been vandalised. The Chairman reported this criminal activity to Norfolk Constabulary. Repairs have been carried out at no cost to the Parish Council. It was proposed by Cllr. Ward and seconded by Cllr. Oakes to monitor the situation over the next few months.

This was unanimously agreed.

b) To consider a wildflower area in a corner of the field.

The contract gardener's advice has previously been circulated. In view of the amount of work involved, and likely cost, it was proposed by Cllr. Windsor-Luck and seconded by Cllr. Y.

Bradley not to proceed with this suggestion. This was unanimously agreed.

c) To consider a report/quotations to trim a tree which is the subject of a Tree Preservation Order.

One quotation has been received to balance the tree and remove dead wood. Another quotation is expected very shortly. It was proposed by Cllr. Windsor-Luck and seconded by Cllr. Spencer to bring this back on the agenda when a further quotation is received. This was unanimously agreed.

8. To receive updates/feedback from previous Minutes:-

a) Queen's Green Canopy. Planting of two Cherry Blossom Trees at the Millennium Garden on 11 March 2022.

The tree planting took place attended by the Mayor and Mayoress of Great Yarmouth, Parish Cllrs., some pupils from the primary school and a few residents. A second plaque is now on order and should be received shortly.

b) Great British Spring Clean Saturday 2 April 2022.

Ten residents turned up for the community village litter pick. Some 19 bags of rubbish were collected. Thank you to the residents that took part.

c) Queen's Platinum Jubilee Community Event, Saturday 4 June 2022.

The Clerk previously circulated an update. All matters are proceeding according to plan.

9. To receive feedback from the Northern Parishes meeting and Parish Liaison Meeting.

Cllr. Windsor-Luck attended and advised it was a good networking event.

10. To receive a report regarding the Parish Council's new website and the proposed launch date.

The Clerk received half a day's training on 8 April. It is anticipated the new website will be completed in approximately six weeks. There is a fair amount of work involved in this project. Feedback from a few Cllrs. on the structure, layout and content of the draft website would be welcome, with official launch of the website thereafter.

11. To receive a meeting report from the Village Hall Management Trust.

Cllr. Windsor-Luck advised that bookings have increased. A new answerphone has been purchased. Pictures of how to correctly stack the tables and chairs are now shown in both halls, which will hopefully avoid any further damage. The slabs

around the hall are being cleaned. No response from the Doctor's surgery regarding the car park.

12. To consider two nominated representatives for the Village Hall Management Trust year 2022/23.

It was proposed by Cllr. Ward and seconded by Cllr. Straughan that Cllr. Windsor-Luck be nominated for a further year. This was unanimously agreed. The other vacancy will be discussed when Cllr. Tonks returns.

13. To consider washing the two entrance gates to the village.

Cllrs. previously resolved to wash the gates themselves. It was proposed by Cllr. Ward and seconded by Cllr. K. Bradley that some Cllrs meet on Saturday 23 April at 10am to clean the two gates. This was unanimously agreed.

14. To receive an e-mail from the Friends of Old St. Margaret's (FOOSM) regarding the Millennium Garden.

The FOOSM have decided, as a group, to step back from volunteering at the Millennium Garden, as they are no longer able to commit to be able to continue. All the keys have been returned to the office.

The FOOSM have done a fantastic job for very many years and their hard work has been appreciated by the Parish Council, residents and holidaymakers. An e-mail sending thanks to the group has been sent.

The Contract Gardener tends the Millennium Garden on a monthly basis. However, he did not maintain the flower beds and apple orchard which was tended to by the FOOSM. The Contract Gardener will now be asked to include these areas in his schedule.

It was proposed by Cllr. Ward and seconded by Cllr. Straughan that the boat be painted red, white and blue for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, with a budget of up to £100 for wood paint, and materials. This was unanimously agreed. The Clerk will contact Haven to see if they have

paint left over from the painting their boat at the entrance to the village.

15. To receive correspondence and consider making a donation to Fresh Start New Beginnings – Local Children's Charity.

Correspondence was previously circulated. Some discussion took place and it was proposed by Cllr. Ward and seconded by Cllr. K. Bradley not to make a donation to the charity at this time. This was unanimously agreed.

16. To confirm the date and time of the next meeting of Hopton-on-Sea Parish Council. Monday 9 May 2022, 7.30pm at Hopton Village Hall. This will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting followed by the Annual Parish Meeting. All residents welcome. Date and time confirmed.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.05pm



These Minutes are in draft format and unconfirmed until approved at the next Parish Council meeting. The Clerk to the Parish Council can be contacted in the following ways:-

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The Clerk is working from home during lock-down.

Website:

http://hopton-on-sea-parish-council.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/

DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN
(FOURTH INSTALMENT)?

My contribution this month is not so much a look back to bygone days but more of a short tribute to my late father, Ray Kitchen – and his connection with the original South Denes Power Station.

Ray qualified as an electrical engineer in 1947. His apprenticeship took around nine years to complete, due to a six-year break for distinguished war service.

He joined the Central Electricity Generating Board and worked at power stations in Ipswich,

Birmingham and Ironbridge (all coal-fired) before taking a job at the newly-built oil-fired South Denes Power Station in 1957. At the same time, the family, including me, moved from Shropshire to Hopton.

A number of other Hopton residents worked at South Denes, including men with the surnames Owen, Hughes, Harrison, Madle and Hall. I know that I have missed some names.

Ray transferred to Ipswich Power Station in 1962 and we moved to Felixstowe but in 1967 Ray was appointed Superintendent at South Denes and so the family moved back to this part of the world, although to Gorleston and then Blundeston this time.

On retirement in 1981 Ray and his wife Jean made the decision to move to the village of

Manorbier in Pembrokeshire.

David Kitchen, Hopton resident.

Editors Note: Photos of Hopton Station and other areas in the village can be seen on Facebook page **Old Hopton on Sea, Corton, Blundeston and Lound**. It's a private Facebook group so please ask the Administrator Colin Davies if you would like to join.

If anyone else has fond memories of Hopton that they would like to share, please get in touch:

Hopton-on-Sea Parish Council

E-mail: hoptonparishclerk@hotmail.com



The owner of the **Woodworks Art Café** at 3 Commercial Road Lowestoft being nominated as the winner of the **Ritson Lodge Community Champion competition**.

Photos submitted by Kieran Baines, Customer Relationship Manager, Barchester.

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A small group gathered to carry out a village litter pick in Hopton on **Saturday 2 April**.

Nineteen sacks of rubbish were collected. The Parish Council would like to thank the residents who took part.

You may have noticed that the Village Sign has been refurbished and returned to it's home at the entrance to Hopton, coming off the A47 roundabout. The sign is looking vibrant and welcoming once again.

FREE DONKEY RIDES

FREE DONKEY RIDES for all children living in Hopton. Please make sure you cut out the voucher and bring it with you on 4 June to the Recreation Ground Lowestoft Road Hopton.



Grand Raffle for the Queen's
Platinum Jubilee in the Park

**Saturday 4 June 2022 - 12 to 7pm
Recreation Ground Hopton.**

The Parish Council will be running a grand raffle on the day. These are just some of the prizes you can win:

Haven - A short break for a family up to 6 people. (Not during school holidays).

A Meal for four at the Raceview Restaurant, GY Stadium.

A Meal for two at the White Hart.

Hire of the Village Hall for three hours (excluding Friday/Saturday evening) for a

party or gathering, courtesy of the Village Hall Management Trust.

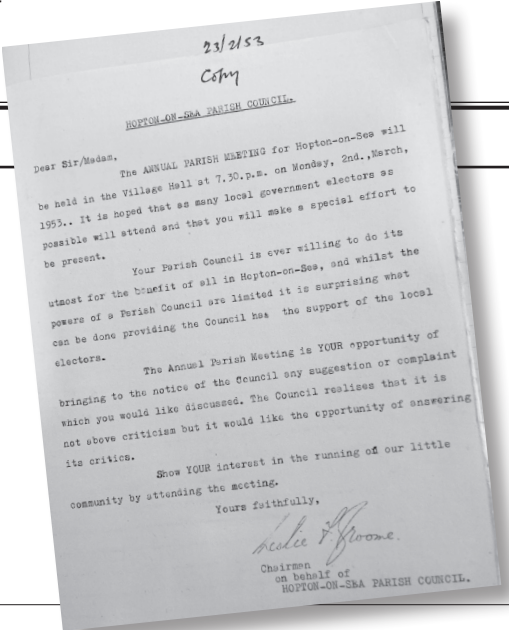
Voucher from Floral Designs.

Luxury Hamper full of goodies.

A skateboard (for younger members of the community, or those young at heart)

There are plenty more prizes including champagne, wine and spirits.

Come and visit our stall on the day to purchase your tickets at £1 for a strip of 5.



Recently I had a very productive visit to the Norfolk Records Office at County Hall. I was looking for items relating to The Queen's Coronation and events that took place in Hopton at that time. However, I came away with photos of so much more Over the coming months I will include copies of various Minutes of the Parish Council which changed the shape of the Parish over the years. This is a photo of the Annual Parish Meeting Notice dated 23 February 1953. I thought it apt to include as the current Parish Council is required by law to give Notice of the Annual Parish Meeting that is to be held on Monday 9 May 2022, commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Of course this is the "new" Village Hall rather than the one referred to in the 1953

Notice. Back then, the Village Hall stood where the Doctors Surgery is now. There were two halls, and in subsequent issues of this magazine, I'll provide more information about the history of the various halls in the village.

All residents are welcome to attend the Annual Parish Meeting and raise any enquiries or suggestions you wish. As the old Notice says, show your interest in the running of our (not so little) community by attending the meeting. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 9 May 2022, 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Julie McNair, Clerk/RFO to Hopton-on-Sea Parish Council.

HOPTON-ON-SEA

JUBILEE PARTY IN THE PARK

Join us to celebrate
Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee
Saturday 4th June 2022 - Hopton-on-Sea Recreation Ground
12:00 - 19:00

Large Stage - With Live Musical Acts Including:

Aaron Bolton - Michelle Miles - Trevor J Toms - Just Andy - The Vibetts & The East Coast Community Choir.

Food Stalls, Beer Tent, Craft Stalls, Classic Cars, Street Entertainers, Norfolk Police & Fire Services, Sweetie Stalls, Tombolas, Fancy Dress (Theme: Red, White & Blue) & Much Much More.....

Organised by Hopton-on-Sea Parish Council
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