

The SYDERSTONE

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BETTER BROADBAND

You will have noticed many road works within the village during the summer months. This is for the introduction of Superfast Broadband. The system will be a fibre optic connection from the local exchange to the green telephone cabinet in the street and from there into your home via your existing copper telephone line. This is called "Fibre To The Cabinet" (FTTC).

The existing broadband speed to the centre of the village is rated at 5mps (megabits per second), but it averages more like just 3mps at peak times. The new FTTC connection will offer download speeds of up to 80mps.

A considerable improvement, but what use is it? If you are only using the internet for a few emails and the odd web browsing, possibly not a lot. However the existing speed is not practical for downloading films, music or watching catch up TV. As web site providers assume that everyone has superfast broadband, they are building larger and larger web sites, where the time for the web page to display is taking longer and longer.

Before the new FTTC system is installed, the cable laying road works need to be completed, new green telephone cabinets installed and the Syderstone (01485) exchange needs to be upgraded. No dates for this have been published yet, but it is likely to be sometime in early 2015.

What will it cost you? FTTC offers the choice of many suppliers and each supplier offers several deals. In addition to the broadband cost there will be line rental, plus any packages, such as Anytime Calls, etc. The cheaper packages have a download limit per month, which if exceeded can be quite expensive. You will have to bear in mind that with faster broadband you might use it a lot more. The download size for a typical movie is 1.5Gb in Standard Definition (SD) and 4.5Gb in High Definition (HD). The table opposite is based on current BT prices in order to give an indication of comparable costs, but you should shop around.

<u>Type</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Limit</u>	<u>Per Month</u>
Existing Copper	5mps	10Gb	£10
Existing Copper	5mps	Unlimited	£16
New Fibre	38mps	20Gb	£15
New Fibre	38mps	Unlimited	£23
New Fibre	76mps	Unlimited	£26

BT call their existing copper telephone line service "Broadband" and their new FTTC fibre connection "Infinity". The New Fibre price is for a new contract, which includes a new Superfast hub (router). The full range of BT broadband & phone services may be viewed at www.bt.com. Other suppliers have their own naming conventions and prices.

For businesses there would be a "Fibre To The Premises" (FTTP) service, which offers download speeds of up to 300mps, prices upon application. This would really only be suitable for a business with its own in-house Local Area Network (LAN), with many staff working at many terminals. This is unlikely to be of much interest to Syderstone now, but might attract future businesses/employers.

YOUR VOTE MATTERS

The Register of Electors, sometimes called the Electoral Roll, is a list of the names and addresses of everyone within the Borough of Kings Lynn who is entitled to vote. If your name is not on the register then you will be unable to vote in elections. The full register may be inspected at the Borough offices in Kings Lynn. There is also an edited version, also called the Open Register, which may be purchased by individuals and companies, usually for marketing purposes. If you do not want your details to be available in this way, then you may request that you are not included on the Edited Register. This does not affect your right to vote.

Up until now the head of the household completed a voter registration form listing all those living in the household, who are eligible to vote. From this year each voter will have to register individually. The name and address information is the same, but your National Insurance Number and Date of Birth are also required. This additional information is unique, thus duplicate or fraudulent entries will readily be eliminated, which is the reason for the new system.

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With some 116,000 electors in the Borough, it would be a mammoth task to get everyone to supply their additional information. For this reason the government has for this initial year used a technique called "data matching". By checking address details against existing government databases, such as Department of Work & Pensions (DWP), it has been possible to positively identify some 95,000 (82%) of the voters within the Borough of Kings Lynn. So, for four out of five of us, we will simply be told that our details have matched and we need to do nothing. The remaining unmatched voters will be canvassed in the usual way.

Even with the aid of data matching, it is still an awesome task for the Borough Council election officers, so please complete any forms you receive and return them as soon as possible.

The Borough Council's Electoral Helpline is 01553 616773. More general information on the new system may be found at:

www.gov.uk/yourvotematters

OPENING TIMES

Village Hall Coffee Morning

Wednesdays 10:30 am - 12 noon
(Food caddy bags on sale, £1.60 for roll of 50)

Village Hall Post Office

Wednesdays 9:00 am - 12 noon
Fridays 9:00 am - 12 noon

Lynn Arms Public House

Monday – Tuesday Closed
Wednesday – Saturday 12 noon - 11:00 pm
Sunday 12 noon - 10:30 pm

Syderstone Parish Councillors

CHAIRMAN, Reg Thompson	01485 578508
Mick Askew	01485 578442
David Daly	01485 576222
Malcolm MacArthur	01485 578588
Alan Schmidt	01485 576158
Gerry Taylor	01485 578524
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ParishClerk@syderstone.com
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SYDERSTONE PARISH CHURCH

Forthcoming Events

Friday 3 October - Harvest Festival Service at 6pm, followed by Harvest Supper in Amy Robsart village hall. For catering purposes, it would be useful to have an idea of numbers intending to attend the supper.

Saturday 25 October - Annual Churchyard clear up 9:30 am, bring your own brooms, tools, etc.

Saturday 8 November - Coffee Morning in Amy Robsart village hall at 10:30 am, raffle for Christmas Hampers and other festive items.

Sunday 30 November - Fakenham Town Band Concert in Green Park Centre at 3pm. Admission £5 pp, under 12s free (refreshments included).

Special Services

Sunday 7 September - Benefice Service at 10:30am, followed by bring & share lunch to celebrate our Patronal Day.

Sunday 2 November - Evensong with Commemoration of the Departed starting at 6pm.

Sunday 9 November - Annual Remembrance Day service and wreath laying, starting at 10:55am.

Regular Monthly Services

1st Sunday

11am Morning Worship
6pm Evensong

2nd Sunday

11am Parish Communion

3rd Sunday

11am Family Service

4th Sunday

11am Parish Communion

5th Sunday

11am Morning Worship

Church Wardens

Barrie Wells 01485 578280
Chris Lewis 01485 528555 / 07770 659527

Prayers

Please advise the Rector of anyone who is ill or in hospital and would like to be remembered in the regular prayers of the congregation. Baptisms and weddings are also by arrangement with the Rector.

Fr Clive Wylie, Rector 01328 823293
(rector.creakes@icloud.com) 07970 875052

**THE AMY ROBSART VILLAGE HALL
VILLAGE SCREEN CINEMA**

Saturday 13th September 7.30 pm

Mr Morgan's Last Love (12A)

Following the death of his beloved wife, a retired American philosophy professor meets a young Parisian woman. A gentle film about the power of love when all seems over. Michael Caine is excellent as is Clemence Poesy, such a hit recently in TV's 'Birdsong'. Nice to be back in Paris too!

Saturday 18th October 7.30 pm

In Secret (15)

Based on Zola's classic novel, set in 1860s Paris, Therese a beautiful young woman, is trapped into a loveless marriage to her sickly cousin by her domineering aunt, Madame Raquin. Then she embarks on an illicit affair with her husband's alluring friend, Laurent, that leads to murder and tragedy. Sharon Stone excels as Madame Racquin with Elizabeth Olsen as Therese. Fabulous atmosphere.

Saturday 15th November 7.30 pm

Belle (12A)

BELLE is inspired by the true story of Dido Elizabeth Belle (Gugu Mabatha-Raw), the illegitimate mixed race daughter of a Royal Navy Admiral in late 18th century England. Belle falls for an idealistic young man (Matthew Goode) who, with her help, shapes Lord Mansfield's role as Lord Chief Justice to end slavery in England. Miranda Richardson and Penelope Wilton also join a splendid cast.

Saturday 13th December 7.30 pm

Tammy (15)

Not a Debbie Reynolds remake but a story of a tough contemporary girl. Fired from her dead end job in a fast food restaurant, Tammy returns home to find her husband enjoying romance with the neighbour. She packs her bag and, with her 'hell-raising' grandma Pearl (Susan Sarandon), sets off to find adventure. Great supporting cast includes Toni Collette, Dan Ackroyd, and Kathy Bates. Lovely tag line: "She hit the road. The road hit back".

Cinema tickets : £3.50 advance, £4.00 on the door

Contact: 01485 578588

Email: cinema@syderstone.com

The 2nd SYDERSTONE FAMILY HISTORY DAY to commemorate the Centenary of the start of World War 1 on Saturday Aug 2nd was a great success. A constant stream of visitors viewed the Flower Festival in St. Mary's and the WW1 research material amassed by Sheila Riches in the Hall about those who had fought in that conflict from the village. Many stopped to take part in our Tombola and eat and drink a range of goodies throughout the day. We raised nearly £200 which will contribute towards a storage area for the Syderstone Family History material. Our thanks to all who helped out on the day.

"Old" Syderstonians 18th Reunion

October 4th 2pm - 6pm

Come and join us for tea and meet old friends!

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sheilarriches@btinternet.com or

Avril MacArthur Tel. 01485 578588

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POSTMAN PAUL'S RETIREMENT PRESENT

We collected a superb £380 for Paul! He was unable to make our suggested date as he was still working but, after a week's Retirement Celebratory holiday in Greece, he was at Coffee Morning on Wednesday 13th August to receive his present. We decided to give him the cash and any cards you gave us and a few extra bottles were also given by some villagers.

Avril and Malcolm MacArthur, Norman and Sheila Riches and Gill and Mick Beauchamp.

ROYAL AIR FORCE HERITAGE CENTRE

View the new WW1 Exhibition 2014

OPEN DAYS (11 am to 5 pm)

Sunday 28 September

Venue:-The National Construction College

Bircham Newton, Norfolk, PE31 6RB

www.rafbnmp.org.uk

Special Event to support

The Birches Family Day

Please note that we have added one additional opening on **Saturday, 30th August**, when we will open from **10am until 3pm** in support of the **Birches Family Day**. There will be an added attraction on this particular occasion provided by Mr. Tony Nelson, who will exhibit **Norfolk's Model Air Force** on the grass outside the Birches Club and Heritage Centre.

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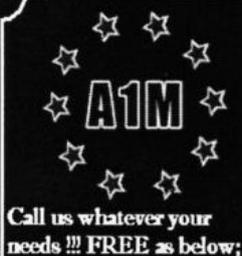
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