## North Mundham Parish Council

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## CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE

As part of our work to produce a Neighbourhood Plan, we want to explore what new facilities local residents would like to see, thinking particularly about the future of the playing fields and the Village Centre (the village halls and pavilions). We have put together a working group and would welcome anyone with a view about what we should be thinking about providing in the future to share their ideas. Please contact me, or Annie Maclean at a.maclean@northmundham.org

As some of you may be aware, there is a planning application (20/02989/FUL) for a site identified as 'Land south of Lowlands', which most of you will know as the field behind Pigeon House Farm with the footpath to Hunston. The Parish Council responded to the application by expressing its concern about a number of issues, including surface water drainage, sewage disposal, and the burden of traffic on the B2166. However, we have not raised a formal objection, subject to having appropriate protection to prevent any further building on the site in those areas which the application proposes to leave as green spaces, and to provide for maintenance of the ponds and ditches which will drain surface water. I am aware that some of you may be disappointed that we did not raise a formal objection, and I would be happy to explain the thinking behind this decision if anyone wants to get in touch.

As a reminder, there is an opportunity to ask questions at the Meeting of Electors, which is the Council's opportunity to tell you what we have been doing in the past year. This year the meeting is due on Tuesday, 9 March. Normally we would hold the event in the village hall, but we cannot do that this year and we will hold a meeting on-line. In view of this limitation, to keep the meeting short, we will not have a guest speaker but limit the meeting to the Council's report and answering your questions. Please visit the Parish Council's website nearer the time to see the agenda and the link to join the meeting.

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