

NORFOLK WI PALS NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2023

Dear all

Firstly, apologies for the delay in sending a newsletter. This does not mean that we have not been busy! As you can see, there is a lot happening. But it does mean that I do not know if this newsletter is being read or welcomed by members. I should appreciate feedback so that we know whether to continue with this. After all, it was started some time ago – in the time before Facebook etc – so has it served us well but should now be left behind? *Please let me know*!

New PA subcommittee

Chair – Elizabeth Barker, also Federation Resolutions Coordinator

Vice Chair - Frances Kemp, also Norfolk & National Climate Ambassador

Secretary – Wendy Adams

ACWW coordinator - Alison Bolster

Gill Gauntlett

Naomi Catlow

I am very pleased that we have new members of the committee so do get in touch with us!

Resolutions Information Meeting

Tuesday 28th November 10.15 – 12.45 at Evelyn Suffield House

The shortlist of resolutions was drawn up at a Zoom National meeting earlier this month. It will be published in WI Life in November and I think you will appreciate the resolutions selected. Do come to join us on 28th November and then talk with your WI members before voting in January.

PA Campaigns Cup

This a new initiative and the first cup, linked to gardens and the environment, will be presented at FAM 2025. There will be lots of information shortly so watch out for full details.

International Women's Day 2024

In conjunction with the Arts and Leisure subcommittee we are in the process of arranging a meeting for Thursday 7th March at Mattishall. More details shortly when we have finalised the speakers.

Green Hearts and Green Bags

Do you remember that, in 2019, we asked you to make shopping bags which we gave to the Foodbanks for them to use when distributing food? We are going to do this again in February, linked to Green Hearts Day on 14th February. A flyer will be in your mailing at the end of this month so do get creative and bring green hearts or green bags to us in Evelyn Suffield House on 14th February.

<u>ACWW</u>

As you have probably already seen, Alison Bolster is now our ACWW coordinator. We are also hoping that someone from ACWW will be one of the speakers at the IWD event to update us with ACWW projects.

Please get in touch and let me know whether this is a useful means of communication!

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