



Drinkstone Gardening Club - Report to the Parish Council June 3 2024

We had a very varied programme for 2022-2023, from Gardeners' Question Time, garden design, self-sufficiency, garden photography and outside visits to Blakenham Woodland Garden, Columbine Hall and Polstead Mill. We rounded off the year with a party at Rookery Farm with the kind permission of Janet and Steve.

At our committee meeting, we had to take the sad decision to close the Gardening Club down. Membership numbers had dwindled since COVID, resulting in reduced attendance at meetings. The increasing cost of speakers, together with their travelling expenses, meant that subscription costs would have had to double. Running the club at a loss was not acceptable so we decided to close, donating our funds balance of £151.50 to Perennial, a charity which supports people in horticulture.

We have really enjoyed running the DGC since 2013.

Lyn Hannant - Chair

Daphne Youngs - Treasurer

David and Rosemarie Ford - Secretaries

Lindi Belfield - Draw