

## news

## Woman banned

**A woman has been handed a two-year order banning her from parts of Norwich city centre, because of her persistent anti-social behaviour.**

Sharon O'Hara, 47, of Barnards Yard in Norwich, appeared before magistrates in Norwich on Thursday charged with breaching the conditions of a community protection notice.

Magistrates imposed a two-year criminal behaviour order, which bans O'Hara from a number of places in the city

centre, including the Haymarket and various roads around it, except to go to the soup run between the hours of 7pm to 9pm each day.

She is also banned from entering the area of St Gregory's Green and will breach the order if she is drunk or in possession of an open container of alcohol within the inner ring road, except in the area where she lives.

The order would also be breached if she causes nuisance, annoyance, distress or alarm to the public.

## Great Yarmouth event

**More than 150 dignitaries and invitees have gathered to work on a 'Working Together for a Brighter Great Yarmouth' event.**

Henry Cator, High Steward of Great Yarmouth and chair of the Norfolk Community Foundation, kicked off the event at the St George's Theatre on July 3.

Richard Packham, energy consultant, ex-chief executive of the Borough Council and former trustee of the Norfolk Community Foundation, took over to talk about how the coming together of the three sectors had already delivered many benefits and how

continued collaboration can only make Great Yarmouth stronger.

Claire Cullens, chief executive of the Norfolk Community Foundation, said: "Great Yarmouth's future will be shaped by the town's local authorities and committed business and community leaders, but will be defined by lots of the work that occurs at a community level."

The Bishop of Norwich, Graham James, closed the event, urging people to support the work of the Norfolk Community Foundation.

To find out more contact Norfolk Community Foundation contact 01603 623958.

## Former students attend reunion at KES in King's Lynn



Former pupils attended a reunion at KES  
Picture: OLA

**Former students of King Edward VII Grammar School and West Norfolk and King's Lynn High School attended a reunion at KES.**

They and their partners enjoyed an afternoon of nostalgia, memories and catching up with old friends.

One highlight of the day was a tour of the Boarding House accompanied by informed commentary supplied by former 'inmates'. Few day boys had been into this part of the school previously and everyone found the accounts of boarding at

school in the 1960's fascinating.

There were also talks by Bob Childs and author Will Stebbings, who has written novels about his experiences of a boys' grammar school during the 1960's.

Principal Lloyd Brown said he had enjoyed the day very much. Organiser Andrew Stephen was delighted that the event attracted over 90 people but warned that the Old Lennensians would die out if 'younger' people were not encouraged to join the Old Lennensians' Association or serve on the committee.



The launch of the 2018 Hostry Festival brochure at Norwich Cathedral

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# Hostry Festival launches its 2018 programme

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**Autumn arts extravaganza the Hostry Festival is set to return for an eighth year with a packed programme of theatre, music and more.**

And this October festival regular Total Ensemble Theatre Company will be taking centre stage with its brand new show *Boy in the Lighthouse*.

The performance - described as a dark story bathed in light - is the 2018 central production for the annual celebration of the arts which will once again take place at Norwich Cathedral's Hostry.

Performed in Total Ensemble's unique style, it will see the members of the inclusive theatre company tell the tale of a young man living in an isolated and forgotten lighthouse who embarks upon an adventure into fantastic worlds.

"It's a wonderful example of inclusivity and community, working together to perform something truly wonderful and uplifting and exciting to watch, and I am really proud that we have commissioned Total Ensemble to do that," said the festival's artistic director, Stash Kirkbride, who said the show also summed up the spirit of the entire festival programme.

"It's a festival full of diversity,



Total Ensemble Theatre Company are performing *Boy In The Lighthouse* at the 2018 Hostry Festival  
Picture: SUPPLIED BY THE HOSTRY FESTIVAL

inclusivity and originality, and we cannot wait to share it with everybody."

Open air art competition *Paint Out Norwich* will be returning for a fifth year meanwhile the Norfolk Arts Awards will once again celebrate our county's cultural champions.

Actress and writer Sally Phillips - known for roles in *Smack the Pony*, the *Bridget Jones* films and *Miranda* - will be reflecting on her career and also her BBC documentary *A World Without Down's Syndrome?*

The Bishop of Norwich, the Rt Rev Graham James, will take part in an in conversation event and there will also be a debate celebrating inspiring women and

the arts as well as events with journalists and authors Matt Frei and Gavin Hewitt.

Music highlights include: The Ella McCready Jazz Trio; James Boyd and Harriet Mackenzie celebrating 400 years of guitar and violin music; and Cocteau and Poulenc double bill *The Human Voice*.

**The festival will run from October 13 to 28. More information about the festival will be available from Monday at [www.hostryfestival.org](http://www.hostryfestival.org)**

**Tickets can also be bought from Monday at [www.hostryfestival.org](http://www.hostryfestival.org) or by calling 01603 598676 or in person at Norwich Theatre Royal.**