WOODNEWTON NEWS

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News & Reports

The Parish Council met on 6th January

Public Time

1 resident attended to ask permission to use the Playing Field for a Rounders Tournament in the summer.

Planning

There were no applications to be considered. The Council was notified by ENC that permission has been granted for application 16/021/FUL

Play Equipment

Cllrs Paul Blackmore and Russ Jenner have cleaned all the play equipment and pressure washed all the safety surfaces to remove all the sap and leaves that had accumulated and causing a slip hazard. A note of thanks was recorded for their work.

2017 Precept

The main discussion at the meeting was the Council's budget and setting the Precept for 2017/18. The Precept is the money the Council receives its share of the Council Tax. This money has to cover all the expenditure planned by the Council over the next 12 months and provide a small reserve for projects and capital items. In previous years the Council has chosen to increase the Precept either by a small amount or not at all. However, Parish Councils are being required to take on additional responsibilities without any additional monies from local government. In addition the annual running costs of the Council are increasing as items such as electricity, insurance, water and maintenance services are all increasing above the level of inflation. After a long and difficult discussion the Council decided that it could no longer cover the annual expenses without a step change in the amount of money it receives, and as a result the Council would be seeking an increase of 9% in the precept for 2017/18.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 6th February at 8.15pm Andrew Hansford - Parish Council Chairman

St Mary's Church

9 30a m

February services

5th February

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12 February	9.30am	Said Matins
19 February	9.30am	Sung CW Holy Communion
		Coffee served after the service
26th February	11.00am	Benefice Service at Nassington
·		Bishop Donald will be dedicating the bells

Sung CW Holy Communion

If anybody would like a lift to the service at Nassington with Bishop Donald on Sunday February 26th, please come to the Church at 10.45am., as there will be a lift for you.

St Mary's, Woodnewton, is part of the Watersmete Benefice and produces a weekly newsletter containing information about services and other events within the Benefice. This is a digital newsletter, so if you would like to be included on the list, please send your email address to: jennervalley@gmail.com.

Woodnewton Neighbourhood Watch

It's a new year so make sure your home is safe for 2017

Home security advice:-

- Always close and lock doors and windows when you go out even if just for a short time – and when you go to bed at night. Don't forget doors into garages or conservatories
- Make sure your locks and security measures comply with your insurance requirements.
- Keep keys, including shed and car keys, in a place where they're not visible
 to anyone looking in. Don't leave keys in the door and never hide a spare key
 outside
- Keep valuables hidden and not visible from windows
- Take photos of your valuable items for insurance purposes and keep them with your policy
- Window locks and visible burglar alarms can act as a deterrent to criminals
- Never leave packaging from new goods visible with your general rubbish.
 Criminals may see it and target your property
- Draw curtains in the evening and leave your lights on a timer switch if you're going out.
- Make sure one light is on upstairs
- Never give your keys to anyone you do not know well. Change the locks when you move house so that you know exactly who has keys
- Never keep large amounts of cash in the house
- Consider keeping expensive jewellery, house deeds and other important items in a home safe anchored to the brickwork.

Garden security:-

 Make sure to secure your garden with lockable gates and walls or substantial fencing.

- Thorny plants around the perimeter and trellis on top of fences make it harder for an intruder to access your garden.
- Also, keep your ladder and garden tools locked away, as they can be used by burglars to access your home.

When you go away:-

- Don't publish your absence on the internet.
- Status updates, comments and photos on social media can all give away the fact that you are out of your home for an extended period.
- Make sure your alarm, if you have one, is set
- Put lights on a timer switch to make your house look occupied. Make sure you include at least one upstairs light
- You can also get a 'fake TV' which can be put on a timer and which gives out
 a flickering light to mimic a TV. This is an excellent deterrent if placed out of
 sight lines
- Ask a neighbour to push post through your letterbox and take in any deliveries for you. Cancel milk, newspapers and other deliveries if you can
- Ask a neighbour to park a car on your drive so that passers-by assume someone is at home
- If you have a close friend or relative nearby with a key, ask them to draw your curtains in the evening and back in the morning. Don't leave the curtains drawn during the day
- Don't display your home address on the outside of your luggage

Oundle and District Care-village representative

I have been your village representative for the Oundle and District Care for some years now, having taken over from Ken & Val Mardling, when they left the village. At that time I was working part time (one day a week) and had plenty of time.

Due to my increased work commitments, I am now working four days a week and am conscious that I am not able to cover the role as your village rep. as I would like.

As you may know, we supply flowers, a pot plant or fruit or chocolates, when someone comes out of hospital (sorry to anyone I have missed this year,) but this does rely on everyone within the village letting the rep know. The rep then contacts the committee, who organise the gift and the rep collects it from Oundle and delivers to the person in the village.

We recently put an Oundle and District Care envelope through every door in the village, so further details are explained there.

If you need to borrow mobility aids, these can also be obtained from the Oundle and Care team (this is not something the village rep. deals with).

There are also 3 committee meetings a year, the annual appeal envelopes to deliver and

the annual Spring Fair, which you can get involved with, although I only help on the 'Southwick' stall, as I don't have the time to organise a 'Woodnewton' table, although Val and Ken used to organised the plants.

I would really appreciate it someone could take over the O&DC responsibilities from the beginning of 2017.

If you would like to know more, please contact me on 01780 470372, or rosieatch@hotmail.com

Many thanks Rosie (10 Main St.)

News From Nassington School

Nassington School and FONS (Friends of Nassington School) would like to thank Nassington Parish Council, Yarwell Parish Council, and Yarwell Mill Country Park for their incredibly generous donations that have enabled us to build a beautiful larch bike-shed with bespoke bike and scooter racks in the school colours. Designed and built by Yoink Engineering of Kingscliffe, it has a 'Living Garden' on the roof of sedum plants that will change colour seasonally and attract bugs and butterflies. Our students now have a very attractive home to keep their bikes and scooters safe and dry throughout the day.



From 8th-13th February, there will be a Book Fayre in school and members of the community are welcome to pop in from 3:15-3:30 pm to view the selection which is suitable for pre-school and children up to age 11.

In memory of our much-missed Teaching Assistant, Mrs Kim Green, the School Council has chosen Cancer Research UK as their charity and will be holding some fun fundraising events. We are looking forward to seeing this spring, in the front school garden, a va-

riety of purple blooms, which the children planted in remembrance of Mrs Green, as purple was her favourite colour.

Music is going from strength to strength. After our choir won second place last year in the Oundle Festival, we now have a dedicated 'Festival Choir' of 25 children who are keen to compete again. Once a week this term, Rowan Class are going to Africa! Well, it sounds like it from outside the classroom door as our children are on a tenweek African drumming course provided by Northamptonshire Music & Performing

Arts Trust. We are looking forward to being wowed at the concert they are working towards. On top of this, preparations are underway for the next cluster orchestra concert, which involves nine local primary schools. This year, the event is being organised by Nassington and Polebrook schools. The conductor is our own Mrs Emma Little who makes light work of getting a great performance out of over 100 children aged up to 11!

Best wishes from all at Nassington School.



WE BE JAMMIN'

Come along for a Jam night at the Village Hall.

If you play an instrument, sing or just want to tap your fingers on a desk join us at the village hall on Tues Feb 21st at 7pm.

Enthusiasm is more important than skill.

The idea is to get a group of people together with a similar interest in music, for a jam night. If you would like to join, could let me know ASAP, along with what instrument you'll be bringing. I also have a spare guitar if anyone just wants to have a go at playing something.

email <u>dillon91166@hotmail.co.uk</u> or text/phone 07740584012
Let your inner Jimmy Hendrix out on the frets, your inner Rick Wakeman loose on the keys or even your inner triangle player loose on percussion.

As Slade once said 'C'mon hear the noise!'

Gary's Walk

It has been sometime since I last put a piece in the newsletter so I thought I would give you a quick update:

In November the Woodnewton walking Group took part in BBC's Countryfile's Rambles and raised £140 for Children in Need. We went on a ramble from Warmington to Elton in aid of this worthwhile cause and also had a whip round in the Red Lion Warmington over drinks and nibbles.

December we enjoyed a walk to Nassington for our annual pre Christmas drink and meal, in January we went on a walk around Yarwell

I have planned a number of walks for the year ahead which all include somewhere for refreshments and are typically about 5 miles. If you would like to take part my next walk is on Saturday 25th February from Oundle at 10.00am, please meet me at the George Public House.

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WEDNESDAY

Woodnewton Village Hall

6.30 pm - 7.45 pm

(starting 1st February 2017 and weekly thereafter)

THURSDAY

Nassington Village Hall

6.30 pm - 7.45 pm

(£7.00 drop in/£24.00 four weekly pass)

For more details: call or text Elaine on 01832 280247 (07867 367353)

Email: salayogauk@yahoo.com

Concert in Nassington Church on Saturday 1st April 2017

'A String of Pearls'

The Cecilian Singers will be in concert at St. Mary and All Saints Church, Church Street, Nassington, Northamptonshire, PE8 6QG at 7.30pm. Doors open at 6.45pm.

The Cecilian Singers are looking forward to their first visit to Nassington. Over the years this fine chamber choir has continued to expand its repertoire, and a typical Cecilian Singers concert will contain items from the sixteenth century to the present day. And while the singers take their vocal work seriously, that certainly doesn't mean that the only music on offer is serious music. Bach is as likely to rub shoulders with the Beatles as Mozart is to mingle with Motown. Their conductor is Jeremy Jackman, once a member of The King's Singers, now an internationally renowned conductor. He has been conductor of The Cecilians for twenty seven years.

Tickets are available from

Jane Cotton: email: jane.cotton2@ntlworld.com Tel: 0115 937 2993

Fiona Tuck: email: fmtuck@btinternet.com Tel: 01780 721015

or locally through Mould's the Butchers and Nassington Stores

www.ceciliansingers.co.uk



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Our Woodnewton salon is now open

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15% discount

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Woodnewton Neighbourhood Watch woodnewtonnw@googlemail.com **Police**101 (non emergency report, suspicious behaviour and enquiries)

Doctors Surgeries

Oundle 01832 275375 Wansford 01780 782342

Veterinary Surgeries

Oundle 01832 273521 Yarwell 01780 783910

Woodnewton Mobile Library 11:45 - 12:10 Orchard Crescent every third

Wednesday of the month.

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COMMUNICARE

(Wansford & Kings Cliffe Surgery Patient Group)

There is still availability on our spring 4-night holiday to

The Savoy Hotel, Bournemouth

Monday 8th May 2017 – 4 nights







The Savoy Hotel is perfectly placed with an enviable cliff-top position overlooking Bournemouth's South Beach, featuring impressively elegant

Edwardian architecture with generous and welcoming space inside. The lounge and restaurant feature wonderful full-length windows that light up the rooms and offer a pleasant aspect to the terrace and gardens.

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