

STAY ALERT ISSUE

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News and Reports

Woodnewton Parish Council

Parish Council Report - May 2020

The Parish Council met on 4th May

The Council met again this month via internet conferencing which enables business to carry on during the current lockdown.

The meeting began with the Annual Meeting of the Council. During the meeting the Standing Orders, Policies, Procedures and Financial Regulations were all reviewed and updated as required. Andrew Hansford continues as Chairman with Alex Neville as Vice-Chairman. Other roles and responsibilities were divided up among Councillors.

Cemetery

A brown garden waste bin has been provided for the Cemetery to replace the old wooden waste bin. In addition, a black bin has replaced the old dustbin which was regularly full of water. It is hoped that this will keep the area tidier and more presentable.

Planning

Application 19/02000/FUL - Granted

Speed Detection Sign

It was decided to leave the sign in place at the corner of Orchard Lane and Nassington Road as traffic has been reduced during the lockdown and it would remain effective at that site as traffic increases again as restrictions are eased.

Footpaths

Following changes to a field at the end of the village, the footpath which crosses the land has been re-signed to make the route clearer. A bridge with rotten timbers requiring repair on the same route has been reported to ENC.

Playground Equipment

The playground remains out of use as per Government guidance. The monthly safety inspections have been suspended during this period, but the annual ROSPA inspection will still happen in June as usual. This inspection is mandatory and forms part of the Council's risk assessment for the equipment and as a guide to planning for replacement or repair of the equipment.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 1st June at 8.00pm

Andrew Hansford - Parish Council Chairman

Woodnewton Cinema

With the current situation with Covid -19 and social distancing measures it is unclear when we will be able to have another screening. If anyone would like to borrow 'Judy' which was our cancelled screening please contact me as I have the DVD. Gary 470593.

Village hall

Whilst the hall has been closed we have submitted a grant application for the installation of a audio-visual system which will benefit our own functions and those of hall users. We hope to hear the outcome by the end of July.

Lost the Plot

In 1983 the late great genius Douglas Adams, author of 'The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy', collaborated with QI supremo John Lloyd to produce a humorous dictionary of things that there aren't any words for. The words that they chose were compiled from place names in the UK and around the world. This dictionary was entitled "The Meaning of Liff". Aside from doing its primary duty as the name of a small village near Dundee, Liff is a noun that means:

A book, the contents of which are totally belied by its cover. For instance, any book the dust jacket of which bears the words. 'This book will change your life'.



My wife found our own long-lost copy of this entertaining and useful reference work and I found a few examples that local readers may find surprising and enlightening.

BURTON COGGLES (pl. n.)

A bunch of keys found in a drawer whose purpose has long been forgotten, and which can therefore now be used only for dropping down people's backs as a cure for nose-bleeds.

COTTERSTOCK (n.)

A piece of wood used to stir paint and thereafter stored uselessly in a shed in perpetuity.

DEEPING ST NICHOLAS (n.)

What street-wise kids do at Christmas. They hide on the rooftops waiting for Santa Claus so that if he arrives and goes down the chimney, they can rip stuff off from his sleigh.

KETTERING (n.)

The marks left on your bottom or thighs after sunbathing on a wickerwork chair.

LOUTH (n.)

The sort of man who wears loud check jackets, has a personalised tankard behind the bar and always gets served before you do.

NASEBY (n.)

The stout metal instrument used for clipping labels on to exhibits at flower shows.

OUNDLE (vb.)

To walk along leaning sideways, with one arm hanging limp and dragging one leg behind the other. Most commonly used by actors in amateur production of Richard III, or by people carrying a heavy suitcase in one hand.

WHISSENDINE (n.)

The noise which occurs (often by night) in a strange house, which is too short and too irregular for you ever to be able to find out what it is and where it comes from.

My last example is not local, but it does describe something that I am sure is familiar to many readers.

WOKING (participial vb.)

Standing in the kitchen wondering what you came in here for.

I can recommend buying your own copy and the follow ups "The Deeper Meaning of Liff" and "After Liff" which was written by John Lloyd after Douglas Adams's untimely passing.

The Grumpy Geek

VE Day in Woodnewton

Villagers celebrated the 75th Anniversary of the Allied Victory in Europe on 8th May 2020 while still observing the social distancing rules. Small but dispersed gatherings sprung up in many locations around the village...





St Mary's Hill residents were also celebrating the birth of Connie who arrived the day before. Proud father David joined in whilst waiting to pick up mother Jilly and the new addition to their family.



Dogs mastering social distancing on Orchard Lane

Royal Enfield!



VE Day in Woodnewton





Flag flying and pedal power









VE Day Photos: Anna Reed, Eunice Williams, Gary Bradbury, Martin Pengelly

ALLOTMENT PRODUCE TABLE

The table at the allotment was established a few years ago to make sustainable use of good fresh produce grown on the village Allotments. The village has now reached a major milestone with over £1,000 being donated to Cancer Research.

Thank you Woodnewton for your ongoing support.



SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY, 3rd OCTOBER - RACE NIGHT

Due to the success of the 2018 RACE NIGHT, St Mary's Fundraising group will be holding another event this October - regulations allowing.

Hey Oundle! How's homeschooling?

Rotary is committed to supporting education

Oundle Rotary Chub is proud of all the local students continuing their educations from home and should be students.

Science art history

Here's some fun and educational resources to keep occupied and we'll link to them in our post, too

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We are including another gallery from a local photographer. This month Matthew Roberts has provided some stunning images from his garden and slight further afield.



