

WOODNEWTON NEWS

JULY 2021



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Woodnewton Parish Council

Parish Council Report – June 2021

The Parish Council met on 7th June.

Mrs A. Phythian and Mr N. Goodall had expressed an interest in joining the Council and were co-opted to join following the required process. For the first time in many years, the Council now has a full complement of 7 members which is a big step forward.

Public Time

A member of the public attended to update on the proposal concerning the management of the Church Yard and the benefits of partial wilding following meetings with the Wildlife Trust Churchyard Conservation Scheme officers to advise how the Woodnewton churchyard and cemetery might be managed for wildlife and community enjoyment. The report of their visit on 30 April was circulated to members in advance of this meeting.

The findings of the report highlighted the following proposals:

- a) Reduce the frequency of cuts of both churchyard and cemetery.
- b) Create different lengths of grass within the churchyard.
- c) Manage some kerbed graves for wildlife.
- d) Produce regular news items and information sheets to keep residents informed and involved.

It was also suggested members visit Stoke Doyle or Easton-on-the-Hill churchyards which are already being successfully managed for wildlife. Stoke Doyle has a Churchyard Open afternoon on 25th July.

Playing Field

A quote for repairs to the damaged children's play equipment was received and repairs approved.

Planning

- a) NE/21/00614/TCA/– Tree works 40 Main Street – Planning returned No Objection.
- b) NE/21/00737/FUL – new boundary wall - Pridmore Close – No objection.

Turn Up & Play Scheme

It was AGREED by the Council to register our interest with the Council run scheme for turn up and play sessions in the village for children 8-13. The scheme is due to be run between 26/07/21 and 06/08/21, two sessions daily, £2 per session. It was also suggested to the organisers to consider joining with a neighbouring village if this increased our chances of access to the facility.

Definitive Map

Following further communication with residents, Council agreed that the path between Main Street and The Paddocks and the path between Main Street and Lindsey Close to be redesignated to footpath status only.

Willow Brook

Cllr Swallow noted how blue the Willow Brook had become over recent days. Various reports point to the use of water dye to prevent weed growth being used in a body of water upstream near Kings Cliffe. The Environment Agency had been notified, and following an investigation stated that there would be no harm to fish, plant-life or animals.

Residents Survey.

The Residents Survey is now available (details elsewhere in this newsletter). It is hoped all households will respond. What will the questionnaire achieve?

- Provide a current profile of the parish of Woodnewton and its residents.
- Allow your feelings and concerns to be heard.
- Find out about your needs and wishes.
- Establish your priorities for the village.

The survey is anonymous and the results will be published.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 17th July at 8.00pm

Andrew Hansford - Parish Council Chairman

St Mary's Church News

Services at St. Mary's Church, Woodnewton - July 2021

4th July – 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Modern Language)

11th July – No service at Woodnewton

18th July – 9.30 am Holy Communion (Modern Language)

25th July – 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion BCP (Traditional Language)

Celebration of our Churchyard Family Service date tbc – all information will be on our noticeboards.

Every Sunday 5.00 p.m. A Service at Home by ZOOM. Log-in details from Rev. Jane

Services in our other churches in our Benefice are listed in the church porch, or add your name to the weekly email list from Rev. Jane: jdtailby@aol.com

As I am writing this in mid-June, the weather is glorious – warm and sunny and the countryside is looking wonderful, I do hope that weather will still be like this when you are reading this, although with some rain for our farmers and gardeners. In the last year or more of lock-down, I think we have come to appreciate our local surroundings more, whether on our daily exercise walk or because our travel opportunities have been more limited.

That appreciation of our local surroundings has included our churchyards in the benefice as well. At St. Mary's, the churchyard is a useful "cut-through" for some and for others, just a pleasant part of their walk. The churchyard has always offered a place of peace and space for reflection and I think that it has been even more so during this strange covid time. God is with us always and everywhere, of course, but there are places such as our churchyard where we can feel him to be very close.

In addition, the restrictions on singing inside the church meant that we held a splendid outdoor carol service at the end of 2020. Even in the depths of winter it was good to gather outside for this very informal and rather different occasion. Until we are able to sing inside as usual, in the last few months we have often ended our services with a hymn outside, and it has been lovely to conclude our service outside where we can enjoy the fresh air and chat without worrying about "mingling" regulations.

As we have perhaps noticed our churchyards more in this last year, this seemed to be a good time to celebrate them and to show our appreciation for these corners of God's creation. During July, there will be outdoor service of thanksgiving at St. Mary's (date to be confirmed) and a focus on the wildlife we can find in our churchyard, as well as noting its unique role as a place of remembering and gratitude for those whose earthly remains rest in peace at the heart of the community which meant so much to them. It is also a chance to say thank you to our Parish Council who look after the churchyard so well, for which we are very grateful.

As we move through the summer, let us give thanks for our beautiful surroundings, whether the fields, paths and landscapes that lift our spirits, and for our own gardens, of course, and include our churchyard in that. It is a treasure-trove of wild-life, from the amazing display of snowdrops that encourage us through the end of winter to the birds that accompany us with their song as we walk past, to the unseen creatures that make their home there. It is indeed one of God's blessings for us.

With every blessing,

Rev. Jane

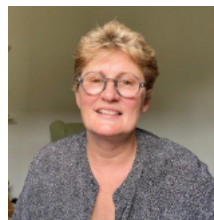
Wansford & Kings Cliffe Surgery

Who's who? - The Doctors

Dr Rhiannon Nally

I gained my medical degree from The Welsh National School of Medicine in 1988. I am Senior Partner, at Wansford having been a GP here for 27 years. I have a particular interest in Family Planning, Menopause and Elderly Medicine. I am a GP Trainer and now the Principal Investigator on several Clinical Trials based at Wansford. I will be taking a sabbatical from Clinical Practice for a year to concentrate on Research and Primary Care Strategy both within and beyond the Practice.

When I am not working, I am usually found working in the garden!



Dr Helen Eastwood

I gained my medical degree from The University of London (Barts and The London) in 2010 and worked in hospital medicine for several years before completing my GP training in the Peterborough Training Scheme. I have worked at Wansford Surgery for three years, completed my training here, and am now a GP Partner. I have a particular interest in Joint Injections and Training GPs. Outside of work, I enjoy running and walking my dog.



Dr Louise Baker

I qualified from Leicester Medical School in 2000. I have been working as a salaried GP at Wansford Surgery for over 16 years.

I am a GP trainer and also have a specialist interest in Women's health and menopause management. When I'm not working, I love to walk (with my dog) and seem to watch a lot more football than I'd like!



Dr Catherine Ofiaeli

I have been a GP for over 15 years, having trained in Merseyside. I have previously worked as a GP in the last seven years around Peterborough. I look forward to bringing my experience to bear at the surgery for the benefits of our patients. I have a special interest in Dermatology.

Outside of work, I am fun loving and love gardening.

I look forward to giving the best possible to the benefit of the community in and around the local area.



Dr Catherine Parnell

I qualified from Imperial College, London, in 1999. I completed the GP Training Scheme in Peterborough and have worked in the area since. My special interests lie as a coil and Implant fitter and GP.

I enjoy cycling and running in my free time.



Peterborough Urgent Treatment Centre

Peterborough Urgent Treatment Centre (UTC) set to relocate to Peterborough City Hospital on 1 July 2021

The Urgent Treatment Centre (UTC), currently located within the City Care Centre on Thorpe Road in Peterborough, is set to relocate to Peterborough City Hospital on 1 July 2021.

The Urgent Treatment Centre (which will also include the GP out of hours service) will be located by the Emergency Department on the hospital site and continue to cover the full range of injuries and illnesses with access to diagnostics, such as x-rays and scans.

Opening hours will remain the same (8am – 8pm, 7 days a week) with patients able to book an appointment by calling NHS 111 or by walking in.

Patients should continue to attend the UTC at City Care Centre as normal until 1 July 2021.

WOODNEWTON HISTORY GROUP

As gardeners in Woodnewton attend to their fruit and vegetables in 2021, the History Group thought it might be interesting to see what Peterborough Standard was reporting about produce grown within the village in the early 1930s.

24 June 1932

A look around the orchards reveals a shortage of plums. Apples are fairly plentiful and bush fruits very plentiful.

28 October 1932

Mr C Brothers dug from his garden this week a fine specimen of a carrot, 28 ins long, 12ins in circumference and weighing 3lbs.

(At one time Woodnewton had 27 market gardens)

23 September 1932

SOME MUSHROOM

40 inches in circumference

A mushroom measuring 40 inches in circumference has been gathered in a field at Woodnewton by Mr G Pridmore.

6 October 1933

Some Pear!

Fine specimens of fruit are always worthy of recognition. A pear weighing 1lb 9oz is the pride of Mr A Sharman of Woodnewton. The variety is Pitmaston Duchesse.

18 May 1934

In connection with the P.R.H.A., potato competition, the presentation of the Banksian Medal took place at the Horse and Jockey Inn on Friday. The medal awarded for the heaviest weight dug from one root. The winner was Mr P Trayford, Woodnewton, with a weight of 12lbs 1oz.



Woodnewton Players needs **YOU**

We are planning our next show which we hope to perform in February 2022 and are looking for new members to join the group

We have lots of opportunities on and off stage, some examples are:

On stage - principal roles, supporting roles, chorus roles
Off stage - scenery design and painting, costumes, props, front of house
and the list goes on

If you want to get involved and would like to find out more come and meet
some of the current members in the White Swan on the following dates
1 July and 15 July from 7.30 to 8.30

Get in touch

Email: woodnewtonplayers@gmail.com

Call: Sarah on 470709

Join us at our launch meeting for the next show
on Friday 30 July at 8.30pm in the village hall,
which will be after our AGM

You can also find us on Facebook

We will of course follow government guidelines and advise
with regards to Covid throughout the planning and
performance of the next show



The Annual Woodnewton Tallest Sunflower Competition

Into the 3rd month of the competition and one donation is in the pot to take us beyond £1100.

Well done everyone for your donations and, if you are growing a sunflower, good luck with your entry.

I've been on the lookout for tall sunflowers growing on the allotments or in gardens but there is not much evidence. Mind you the temperature was not favourable until the end of May and now the plants will benefit from feeding and TLC. Try singing to them as well, it might have the double benefit of frightening off the rabbits.

We are still able to collect donations to Parkinson's if you would like to support the cause. Including Woodnewton's contribution, Peterborough Parkinson's branch has raised over £3000.00 and is still collecting.

Please look at parkinsons.org.uk for information about Parkinson's disease.

Thank you

Phil and Jennie Wood,

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Gary's Walk



My next the walk will be on Saturday 17th July from the Red Lion, Warmington. Please meet outside for a 10.00am start.

I hope you will be able to come along, particularly as there is no walk planned for August.

Gary



The Village Hall has re-opened. Government restrictions are in place regarding legal gatherings and mandatory precautions. It is the responsibility of Hirers to ensure that any activity that takes place adheres to the government restrictions.

Provisional bookings may be made with Marilyn Jenner on 01780 470758 or villagehallwoodnewton@gmail.com, but are subject to change if the regulations change.

Under the current circumstances we may refuse bookings.



<https://www.facebook.com/WoodnewtonVillageHall/>.

Bobbie Turton

It was with deep sadness we learned that our dear friend Bobbie had been taken from us so suddenly. Many of us in Woodnewton have known Bobbie as a valued friend for many years.

Bobbie, husband Dick and their children Steven and Justine moved to Woodnewton in 1980 and took over the White Swan pub. It was not long before they embroiled themselves into village activities. Bobbie was very keen on amateur theatre and when Woodnewton Wanderers was formed she became very active in many of their performances, some of which were performed at the White Swan.

In 1988 the Wanderers became more ambitious and performed their very first pantomime 'Cinderella', Bobbie's husband Dick even writing the whole script. Bobbie immediately volunteered for the role of Fairy Godmother and will be fondly remembered for her stand out song "Nobody loves a fairy when she's forty". The Wanderers put on many shows including the End of the Pier show at the Stahl Theatre, Oundle and Bobbie was involved in most of them.

When Bobbie and her family moved to Oundle it wasn't long before she got involved with the Oundle Gilbert and Sullivan Society, eventually becoming chairman of the group. She never forgot her friends in Woodnewton and would frequently come to visit and support all the events and activities.

Then some 11 years ago the Woodnewton Players were formed and she got fully involved in every panto since then. She was loved by everyone in the group.

Bobbie was a thoughtful, gentle kind and generous person and was always there when needed. She will be dearly missed by all.

God love you Bobbie

Peter Clark





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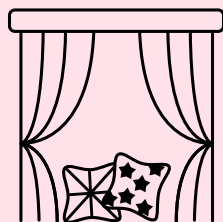
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Please take part and have your say.



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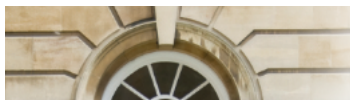
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