

WOODNEWTON NEWS

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2022



Woodnewton Parish Council

Parish Council Report – January 2022

The Parish Council met on 10th January.

Public Time

No members of the public attended.

Speed Cameras

Thanks to the hard work of Cllr Swallow who successfully completed the grant funding application, three speed cameras have now been ordered, one for each entrance to the village. Two are mains powered and one is solar powered. It is hoped these will be delivered and installed in February. Speeding through the village has been an issue for many years. With limited police resources and cheaper, wider range of signs available the Parish Council is now able to act. The new signs will be similar to those seen in many other villages across the country.

Planning

(a) NE/21/01624/FUL & LBC – 21 Main Street – Conversion of garage to accommodation, small rear extension, and external door replacement – planners' comments noted but the Council did not raise any objections.

(b) NE/21/01823/FUL – 11 Lindsey Close – single storey rear extension – no objection raised

(c) NE/21/00994/FUL – 2 Orchard Lane - Change of use from agricultural use to mixed agricultural and equine use – Permission Granted by NNC.

Allotments

The clearance of overgrown plots has progressed. There is still more work to do to finish the job and volunteers would be sought once the weather improves.

Churchyard Trees

A quote was approved for an inspection of the horse chestnuts on the boundary with St Mary's Hill. The trees were damaged in the storm before Christmas and their health and stability need assessing before further action can be agreed.

Cemetery

Council requested further engagement with Crowsons Funeral Directors with regards to the breaching of cemetery rules on removing excess spoil after burials. This has been an ongoing issue. The clerk to engage further with Crowsons, prior to invoicing a removal charge if the current pile of spoil is not removed by January 21st.

Parish Precept

At the January meeting the Council must agree the budget and set the level of income required which is then submitted to NNC for the required changes to be made to Council Tax bills in April. The Council is entirely funded from the Precept element of the Council Tax bills levied on all houses in the village

Councillors unanimously agreed a budget for 2022/23 based on the 2021/22 budget with a 4% increase to cover increasing utility costs and rising inflation. The budget would require a precept increase of £622 (£15,550 to £16,172).

Queens Platinum Jubilee – Save the Date

Details to be confirmed but it was agreed that a community event would be held on Friday 3rd June. Please look out for more information in future editions of the newsletter.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 7th February at 8.00pm

Andrew Hansford - Parish Council Chairman

St Mary's Church News

Services at St. Mary's Church, Woodnewton – February 2022

6th February – 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Modern Language)

13th February – no service at St. Mary's

(9.30 a.m. services at Nassington and Wansford. 11.00 a.m. at Yarwell)

20th February – 9.30 am Holy Communion (Modern Language)

27th February – 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion BCP (Traditional Language)

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: jdailby@aol.com

I suppose all the Christmas decorations are safely away by now; after all you are reading this in February! Even so, in the Church, the Christmas/Epiphany season only really ends on 2nd February, when we remember the story of when the young child Jesus was brought to the Temple in Jerusalem by Mary and Joseph, and two faithful people, Simeon and Anna recognised this child as the long-awaited Messiah, the Light of the World. The day is called Candlemas, as on this day, traditionally, the candles for use during the year, were blessed.

On this day, or the nearest Sunday, we hold a special Candlemas service. This year the service is on 30th January you might be in time to join us at Nassington Church at 10 am that day. During the service we light candles, remembering that Jesus is the Light of the World, and after special prayers we blow out the candles, reminding ourselves that although we extinguish our candles to mark the end of the Christmas/Epiphany season, the Light of Christ is never extinguished. As we hear on Christmas Day, "the light shines in the darkness and the darkness did not overcome it". Also during this service we reflect on turning away now from the Crib to the Cross, as we are not that far away from Lent.

For me that reminds me that the new year isn't just about trying to turn away from what is wrong, to set new resolutions, but also to consider how we are sometimes called to leave behind good things as our life changes and moves on. Perhaps this might be a change of home or job, moving from education to employment, or retirement, or moving nearer to family, or perhaps into more sheltered accommodation. We face many changes in our lives when we find we are moving from good things to something new. That isn't always easy – staying with the wonderfully comforting Christmas stories might feel easier than preparing to hear again the stories of Jesus' self-giving on the Cross. However, we are called to discover new things, to venture on, taking with us what we have learned that strengthens us for new challenges. Whatever the rest of this year holds for you, may you know the Light of Jesus guiding you and comforting you.

With every blessing,

Rev. Jane

St Mary's Church

Sponsored walk of the Norfolk Coast Path to raise funds for the 'Toilet & Servery Project'.

Many of you have given or pledged support for our Church project - thank you very much; it certainly adds a spring to my step!



Here is a quick up-date of progress along the Norfolk Coast Path so far. I have made a good start, covering about 35 miles. The last trip proved the most 'invigorating' when, in early December, I completed the Weybourne to Cromer stretch in near gale force winds (straight from the North Pole); wonderful to walk in &, as the rain started lashing horizontally, equally wonderful to get back to the car!

Next outing planned for early February.

Jennie Wood

(7, Wades Close. 01780 470462, jennie.wood@yahoo.com)

The Power of Advertising!

It's nice to see the power of advertising in our little magazine. Some of our readers have certainly noticed the advert for village baby sitting - you can also see it in this issue. It was nice to get this delightful email from the Mum budding childcare entrepreneurs Perdi and Iola.

To: Woodnewton News

From: Georgina

Subject: BABYSITTING BILLIONAIRES!!

Dear Grant,

Perhaps the headline is a tad optimistic BUT I'm delighted to report that, courtesy of your advert, my girls have been in much local demand. So much so, they've already been employed for daytime care as well as evening slots. Considering most teenagers live by a slightly nocturnal 'school holiday clock', it has been immensely satisfying to kick them out of bed at 7:30am and send them on their merry way - to spread joy and potato printing expertise amongst the youngsters of Woodnewton and surrounding villages. (If only they could be that sunny for their own mother of a morn)!!

Sooo, keeping to our bargain..I would like to send you £30. COVID riddled cash being vetoed nowadays, can you give me bank details and I'll wing it to you over the ether?

Have a great Xmas and here's hoping 2022 isn't spent locked down and learning the Greek alphabet.

Best Wishes,

Georgina



WOODNEWTON PARISH COUNCIL

Speed Cameras

Highlighted in the residents' survey as an issue of concern and now being installed, thanks to the work of the Parish Council

Cameras will be sited at all three entrances to the village

To raise any issues please contact the Parish Council: woodnewtonpc@gmail.com

What's On?



Show moved to MARCH

MOTHER GOOSE

At Woodnewton Village Hall

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Thursday 10th March at 7.30pm

Friday 11th March at 7.30pm

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Saturday 12th March at 7.30pm

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guidelines/rules regarding Covid

*Mother Goose by arrangement with Stage Right Creative Ltd.
Written by Alan P Frayn*

WOODNEWTON HISTORY GROUP

I am sure you all knew that Woodnewton had a Post Office at one time, but did you realise that it was housed in several properties within the village? Read all about it on the website: <http://woodnewtonhistory.co.uk/places/shops>.

Marilyn






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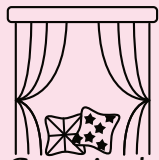
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Under the current circumstances we may refuse bookings.

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

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June Moore, 5 Lindsey Close.

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