

GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2023

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There's going to be a murder.....

Lord Bartholomew's Butler knows everyone
and everything and His Lordship relies
totally on him. But what does the Butler
know that he shouldn't? And could this lead
to a MURDER
at Greetham Community Centre on
Saturday 4th March?

Arrive at 7pm so you don't miss anything.

Dinner will be served at 8pm

You will be the investigators into what will happen. Watch
carefully so you don't miss any clues.

Police information will be available to help with your
investigation.

Main course is included in the ticket. An optional dessert buffet is
available at £2.50 per dessert.



Tickets £12.50

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Greetham Community Centre

Rates 2023

	Residents Rates £ per hour		Non Residents Rates £ per Hour	
	Summer	Winter	Summer	Winter
Hall	15.00	18.00	18.00	21.00
Hall with Bar	19.00	22.00	22.00	25.00
Hall with Bar after 11pm	23.00	26.00	26.00	29.00
Meeting Room/Jubilee Room	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.00
Meeting Room with bar	15.00	18.00	18.00	21.00
Meeting Room with Bar after 11pm	18.00	21.00	21.00	24.00
Whole facility (not incl kitchen)	22.00	25.00	25.00	28.00
Sports Rate	7.00	9.00	7.00	9.00

Single Charge Rates	
Kitchen - Tea/Coffee preparation	2.50
Kitchen - reheating	5.00
Kitchen - preparation/cooking	10.00
Stage	25.00

The Community Centre's telephone number has changed. It is now 01572 729619. The mobile number remains as 0750 0079780

GREETHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE UPDATE

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON AND WHAT IS COMING

Welcome 2023!

What a fantastic festive season! We kicked off the celebrations with our **Kids Disco** Disco Steve filling the hall with lively and fun music for all ages. This was a well-attended event and great feedback received was on the day. A big thanks goes out to Santa for paying the children a visit too. Also a big thanks to Mo for her craft table, which always goes down great with the kids.

This was a free event funded by the centre and we will continue to invest in these family friendly events in 2023.

Did you spy Santa's Sleigh?



Santa and his elves made their way through the village delivering gifts to the children. News had gotten out that Santa (with his Greetham helpers) would be sneaking through the village on the 23rd to check on the **NICE list** and we had LOTS of children waiting at their houses for us to arrive – what a great reception for Santa! Pete & Hayley (Plough), Amy (Plough),

Leroy (Begy Gardens) and of course Roly and Debbie made as much noise as possible as we made our way through the village. Any excess selection boxes were dropped off at the food bank over Christmas. This is a Greetham Community Centre sponsored event which we hope to continue going forwards.

We said goodbye to 2022 with our **Tip your Hat to New Year** party. The Centre was filled with fun, great music, dancing and – yes – some wonderfully fashionable hats!

What a 'Greetham' event! We had a really great turn out, with a complete mix of people. We were still pulling tables and chairs out of the cupboards once the music had started, and were squeezing people into any space we



could find. Fantastic support from both Greetham village and beyond, with Greetham bands; **Greethams Own & Black Jack**, as well as **Howard and WYSIWYG**, it was a great way to spend the New Year.

EVENTS for Your Calendars!

Looking forward into another exciting year, we have **Burns Night** coming up - expect dancing, singing, haggis, bagpipes, and everything else you would expect from this popular event. The fun takes place in the Centre Saturday 28th January and will include a 2 course dinner. Besides dinner there will be a live music and dancing, including a piper and the 'Parade of the Haggis'. Tickets are £12.50 and available from the GCC Bar or contact Katy Anderson (katyanderson80@hotmail.com). Come along and celebrate a wee bit of Scottish culture and poetry.

A MURDER at the Greetham Community Centre?

A classic who dunnit event!

Fancy yourself a good detective? Can you solve the murder of Lord Bartholomew during our Inaugural 2023. This is set to be a popular event so get your tickets early to avoid disappointment. Please see advert for more details.

The Coronation Celebrations

Greetham Coronation celebrations will take place over the extra May Bank holiday weekend, with live screening of the King, a kids disco, parade and village fete all centred around the Community Centre - we have lots to look forwards to again this year, so watch this space for details as the time approaches.

Greetham Community Centre Presents:
Six Nations 2023



World's greatest Rugby tournament



In the comfort of our Club Room, watch Six Nations matches with family, friends and neighbours

Wide screen TV, guest ales still only £4 a pint, delicious food.

Your diary dates:

Saturday 4 th February: 2:15 pm kick-off Doors open 1:30 pm	Wales v Ireland
Saturday 4 th February 4:45 pm kick-off Doors open 4:00 pm	England v Scotland
Sunday February 12 th 3:00 pm kick-off Doors open 2:15 pm	England v Italy
Saturday 25 th February 4:45 pm kick-off Doors open 4:00 pm	Wales v England
Saturday 11 th March 4:45 pm kick-off Doors open 4:00 pm	England v France
Saturday 18 th March 5:00 pm kick-off Doors open 4:15 pm	Ireland v England

Rugby Six Nations - Live Streamed at the Community Centre

The World Cup may be over, but the fun of live-streamed sports at the community centre will continue with the Six Nations Rugby starting with Wales v. Ireland on the 4th of February. Our Club Room and bar will be open and we will be serving home cooked food from the kitchen as well as snacks on the bar, why not bring the kids down and join in the action? Further details and dates of live-streamed matches are included here.

Greetham Cinema Showings for All

Greetham Cinema (at the Community Centre) will continue its showings on Friday 10th of February with the recent movie story, ***Elvis***. All welcomed to enjoy a the cinema experience, in the comfort of the village with snacks available and the bar opened for refreshment.

COMING EVENTS IN FEBRUARY

ST MARY'S CHURCH GREETHAM **SERVICES FEBRUARY 2023**

Sunday February 5 th	9.30am	Our World Service. Review of Our World 2022 and the charities we supported
Sunday February 12 th	9.30am	Breakfast Service. Informal worship. Breakfast from 9.00am
Sunday February 19 th	9.30am	Morning Praise
Wednesday February 22 nd	6.00pm	Ash Wednesday service
Sunday February 26 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday March 5 th	9.30am	Our World Service with Guest speaker talking about Foodbank

ALL WELCOME AT ALL SERVICES

Parish Council

Wednesdsy Feb 8th village meeting 6.30pm followed by the Parish Council meeting at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 19.00hrs. Correspondence will be available before the meeting.

Craft Group in February

Our February meetings will be on Tuesday 7th and Tuesday 21st February in the Community Centre, usually the Club Room.

You are welcome to come any time between 9.30 am and 12.30pm. We charge £1 for every hour you are there, with tea, coffee and biscuits available for 50p. It is excellent value for a very pleasant morning.

We are a very friendly group and always willing to share our skills and ideas. We hope some new members will come and join us.

If you have any queries, please ring me, Gill Hodson, on 813902.

Soups & Sweets

An amazing and delicious selection of homemade soups & desserts from the ladies of Greetham WI.

try something new or enjoy your favourites

All you can eat



12th February 2023

12.30 for 1.00pm

Greetham

Community Centre

Tickets

Adults £10.00

Children under 10 years

£5.00



For tickets please contact Chris Rigby

Telephone: 01572 812834 or Text: 07894874864



Greetham Bowls Club Needs



If you have ever wanted to try bowls,
please come along to our;

"Have a Go Day"

Sunday 26th February from 2pm

&

Sunday 5th March from 2pm

All you need is flat shoes; we'll provide bowls for anyone who wants to try!

Come along and have a go!!

The Club Web Site can be found at:

www.greethambowlsclub.co.uk

and we are located next to the Greetham Community Centre.
Contact 07952538573 if you would like any additional information.

Greetham Vikings Petanque Club AGM



This will take place on Tuesday February 28th 7pm. Do come along if you are interested in joining us this year.

A recent article in 'The Times' suggests that 'Britons are bowled over by petanque.' It is rising in popularity with people of all ages and is especially attracting more women and younger people: it is a sport for everybody.

We are looking forward to welcoming new members so do come along to our AGM, which is a short meeting, to find out what we to offer.

More information from Pat (01572 813448)

Clare and Peter (01572 812585)

GENERAL

900 year anniversary of Greetham Church

The earliest record we have regarding a church in Greetham dates back to 1123 so this year is its 900 year anniversary. Something we think is worth celebrating. Please look out for events throughout the year marking this achievement and support them if you can. If you have any ideas for events or wish to contribute to the life of the church we would love to hear from you. Watch this space!

Thank you

Helen and Jackie

Church wardens.

PARISH COUNCIL

The following Parish Council report is extracted from the full minutes. Copies of the full minutes may be found on the village notice board and the village website www.Greethamrutland.com

GREETHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting on 11th January 2023 @ 7pm held at the Community Centre

Exton Solar Energy Farm

Nick Hamilton, owner of Barnsdale Gardens gave a talk on the proposal for the Exton Solar Energy Farm development. A planning application has not yet been submitted.

At this stage, GPC were asked to make people in the area aware of the plans, so that once a planning application goes in, objections can be made against the application.

Agreed for Nick Hamilton to let GPC know once an application is submitted.

Budget for 2023/24

The proposed draft budget for 2023/24 had been circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

It was proposed not to increase the precept, to leave it at £14,000.

After further discussion, there was unanimous approval to increase the budget for the Community Centre from £1,500 to £3,000 and reduce the Tourism Projects from £2,000 to £500.

PLANNING

2021/0170/MAO Housing – Outline Plan

Jon Gibbison at Hereward Homes has contacted GPC regarding the outline planning consent for 30 dwellings.

Planning Application: 2020/0297/MIN – NW Extension to Greetham Quarry

DB reported that the ownership of the Quarry is moving from Mick George to Hanson Holdings, which is hoped to be a positive move.

Planning Application 2022/1473/FUL

Demolition of existing garage and conservatory. Construction of attached car port, single storey extensions to front and rear with new porch. Landscaping works.

1 Wheatsheaf Lane, Greetham LE15 7NS

The Planning Focus Group have looked at this and feel there is no reason to object.

Planning Application: 2021/0417/FUL & 2021/0418/LBA

Existing 2 No. attached dwellings (45 & 47 Main Street to become one dwelling including restoration and refurbishment works.

Restoration and refurbishment of existing outbuilding. New dwelling proposed with new access into site proposed from Main Street. Creation of detached garage and turning area for vehicles.

45-47 Main Street, Greetham, Rutland

GPC have no objections and there was unanimous agreement to Support the application with the comment – to take note of wildlife and established trees.

To receive Decision Notices:

Ref: 2022/1224/CAT

Reduce 1 No. Maple Tree against the building by 1.5m. Reduce height of 1 no.

Maple Tree against the telephone line approximately 1m clear from the line.

Sewage Pumping Station, Stretton Road, Greetham

RCC has decided not to exercise its powers to make a provisional Tree Preservation Order in this instance.

Ref: 2021/1454/FUL

Village Meeting and Biodiversity Update on 8th February, 6.30pm at The Community Centre

Hi all, we are having the regular annual meeting to update everyone with details of the quarries and new housing developments, which we are sure you will be excited about.

As you know, after a long struggle the quarry extension has been consented, but with strict conditions. We now need to understand how we can ensure the operator complies with the emissions standards and what we can do if they do not.

Also, details of the proposed new housing in old quarry, or as it lovingly known as 'Greetham in the Hole' will be given.

More exciting though is the work done on understanding the biodiversity of the village.

Help develop and protect the biodiversity of the village.

The recent biodiversity assessment of the area shows it to be rich in wildlife and plants, although it is beginning to suffer from the ravages of modern life.

As custodians of the area we now need to help enhance and develop the different habitats to protect for our children and their children.

Are you wanting to help retain the green and pleasant land we knew when we were young?

We need you to help identify areas of the village we can develop into wildlife corridors, rich water habitats, woodlands and wildflower meadows.

Are you happy to get your Le chameau wellies dirty, your Barbours ripped and your hands calloused, all in the name of nature?

If so, then come and join us on the 8 February to learn how you can help develop the different habitats and get excited over the different wildlife around the village.

We need you, particularly young adults and those with younger families to kick start the different projects which are necessary to enhance the biodiversity of the area.

We need your energy, your enthusiasm and passion for for wildlife to make a difference and to help protect what we take for granted.

Proposed single storey dwelling and works to agricultural building
Far Wood Farm, Far Wood Lane, Greetham LE15 7QT
RCC have granted permission subject to 4 conditions.

Ref: 2022/1348/CAT

1 No. Ash Tree – Fell

54 Main Street, Greetham LE15 7NL

RCC has decided not to exercise its powers to make a provisional Tree Preservation Order in this instance.

AGENDA ITEMS

Village Meeting in February

The Chair suggested organising a Village Meeting in February to explain the detail of recent planning decisions and the biodiversity plans – also to inform villagers of the forthcoming parish and ward elections.

8th February was agreed at 6.30pm to take place before the PC Meeting.

Venue Club Room Community Centre.

Next Meeting

Wednesday 8th February 2023.

Village meeting at 6.30pm, followed by PC Meeting.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Rutland North Neighbourhood Police

Leicestershire Constabulary 101

Through the force website – www.leics.police.uk and following the link – Your Community.

Rutland County Council 01572 722577

Crimestoppers 0800 555111

URGENT Remember, in an emergency always

FOR YOUR DIARIES



Greetham Open Gardens 2023

It's Open Gardens time again. This year we are opening gardens at the West end of the village ie gardens west of (and including) Great Lane. The date will be Sunday 11th June in the afternoon. We are looking for gardens to open as we need between 10 and 12 gardens. Contact Helen on 812852 or Karen on 812808 if you would like your garden to be included this year. There will also be a plant stall on the day so do start potting up spare plants.

GREETHAM'S COMEDY EVENING!

Saturday 25 March 23

Doors open at 6:30pm (First Act 8pm)

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Food available to purchase

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The Plough & The Wheatsheaf**

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL stephen.calnan@btinternet.com

OR CALL STEPHEN ON 01572 813943

All profits to Greetham Community Centre Tennis/multi use court.

Tickets also available from Gillian or Stephen on 01572 813943

EASTER BINGO

Greetham Community Centre



Friday 31st March
Doors Open 6pm
Eyes Down 7pm

Refreshments Available
Licensed Bar
Fantastic Prizes

Proceeds split
between GCC &
Greetham Bowls Club



We are now collecting for prizes/ raffle,. If anyone has any unwanted gifts or anything they would like to kindly donate please contact Louise on 01572 813007 for collection or drop off 5 Church Lane

MARCH NEWSLETTER

Please send details of all forthcoming events to Clare Hitchcox

by SATURDAY February 18th please

*The Walnuts, 69 Main Street, Greetham. LE15 7NJ
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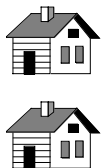
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*Feel fabulous this February with our exclusive
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6th - 11th February.*

BARRE - 6th & 10th Feb

A fun fusion of Ballet conditioning, Pilates and Yoga to lengthen, strengthen and tone your entire body. With Juicy intervals and lots of sculpting moves to upbeat music...

PILATES - 6th, 7th & 11th Feb

Mat Pilates class following the Joseph Pilates technique with the added fusion of dynamic control & movement. Designed to align, strengthen and tone your body from head to toe.

YOGA - 6th, 8th & 9th Feb

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Exton and Greetham CE Primary School

Serving the communities of Greetham and Exton

A Huge Thank You from the School for Fundraising Efforts!

Towards the end of 2022 we had a number of fundraising events across the school. We are always well supported, so this is our opportunity to say a very public thank you to parents, families and friends in the wider community.

Our Christmas Fayre raised £345 from games and stalls in the school hall. We were fortunate to receive some beautifully decorated Christmas Cakes from the 2nd Battalion Royal Anglian Regiment and 7 Regiment RLC from Kendrew Barracks, who kindly donated cakes that we were able to raffle. This raffle raised an amazing £285.

Christmas also saw the school leading singing at the turning on of the Exton Christmas Tree lights at The Fox and Hounds, who kindly provided mulled wine and mince pies. They continued to collect for the school over Christmas, and this money, added to the money handed in as donations for the Christmas trees in the village has led to a grand total of £531.94 collected by Exton for the school!

We are saving up to develop our woodland area at school and add a reading chair and benches (see an example to the right), as well as raising money to put towards trips to try and keep coach costs down for families during the current financial climate.



Looking ahead in school, we are looking forward to a 'Virtual Reality' morning at the beginning of February – of which more in our next contribution to the village newsletters!

***If you would like to find out more about the school, do visit our website–
www.extonschool.co.uk.***

***We are always happy to show prospective parents around the school.
Please contact the school office on the phone on 01572 812380 or by email at
extonoffice@ritschools.com to arrange a visit.***