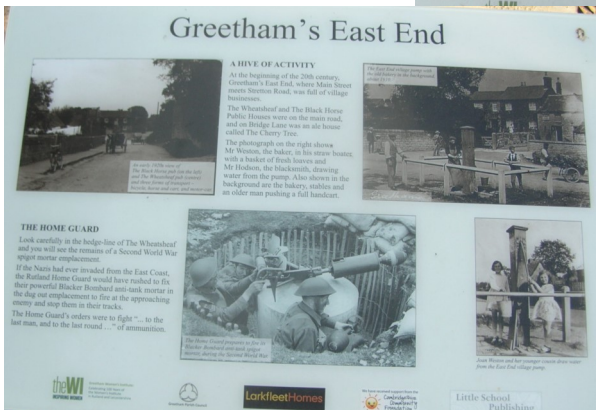
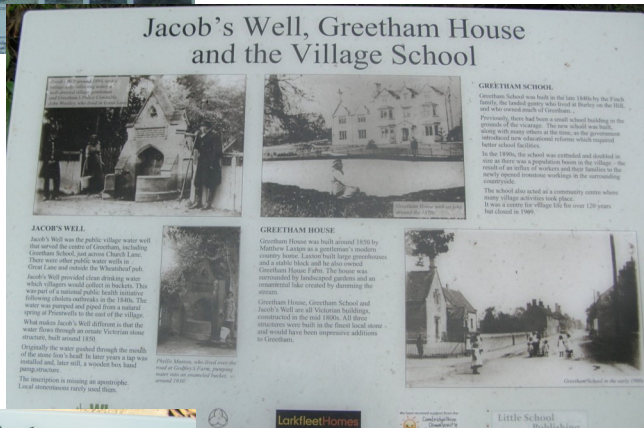


# GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## AUGUST 2021

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New village signs

## Planning an Event?



Greetham Community Centre  
Fun-Family-Friends

### Contact us

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community-centre

Find us on facebook

**01572 812389 or mobile 07500  
079780 Alternatively email us  
at [bookgreetham@gmx.com](mailto:bookgreetham@gmx.com)**

|                                    | Residents Rates<br>£ per hour |        | Non Residents Rates<br>£ per Hour |        |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|
|                                    | Sum-<br>mer                   | Winter | Summer                            | Winter |
| Hall                               | 13.00                         | 16.00  | 16.00                             | 19.00  |
| Hall with Bar                      | 17.00                         | 20.00  | 20.00                             | 23.00  |
| Hall with Bar after 11pm           | 21.00                         | 24.00  | 24.00                             | 27.00  |
| Meeting Room                       | 10.00                         | 12.00  | 12.00                             | 14.00  |
| Meeting Room with bar              | 13.00                         | 16.00  | 16.00                             | 18.00  |
| Meeting Room with Bar after 11pm   | 18.00                         | 20.00  | 20.00                             | 22.00  |
| Whole facility (excluding kitchen) | 20.00                         | 23.00  | 22.00                             | 25.00  |
| Sports Rate                        | 5.00                          | 7.00   | 5.00                              | 7.00   |

| Single Charge Rates                                  |         |
|--|---------|
| Kitchen - tea/coffee preparation                     | 2.50    |
| Kitchen - reheating                                  | 5.00    |
| Kitchen - preparation/cooking                        | 10.00   |
| Stage  | 25.00   |
| Sound System   | 25.00   |
| Field (includes changing rooms and showers) - Adults | 30.00   |
| Field (includes changing rooms and showers) - Youths | 15.00   |
| Table Cloths - Round per cloth                       | 10.00   |
| Table Cloths - Oblong per cloth                      | 6.00    |
| Lights   | various |

## ***Events Report***

Come and join in the fun August 1st, games for everyone either to watch or take part. BBQ/Bar/Teas to enjoy.

have a look at our newly furnished social room and bar area.

This will be a great opportunity for you to meet other people from the village and see what we offer for Adults and Children. If you have any ideas you would like to suggest for the future please come along and talk to us we will be there and happy to talk with you.

We also have another great day planned for you to come and enjoy. 21 August Offering the Church fete and "The Break Out afternoon/evening entertainment "Hope to see you at these events. more information to follow.

The Community Centre is having a  
**Family Fun Day**  
on the afternoon of **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August**  
to celebrate the recently installed brilliant new facilities, which have improved our Community Centre and Sports Court.

From **1pm till 5pm** we will be having a **barbecue, teas** and a **bar**. There will be **family games** on the field, as well as a demonstration of **Tennis (3-5pm)** and **Netball (1-3pm)** on the new court, and **Bowls and Petanque**.

We would love you to join us, to see what your hard work has helped us to achieve, while the centre was closed during Lockdown.

Looking forward to seeing you then.

Everyone is welcome!

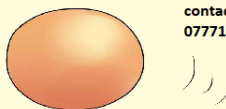
Best regards

Linda Edward and the Greetham Community Centre Committee

**Come and see our new  
Netball court!**

**Sunday 1st of August  
from 1pm-3pm at the  
Greetham Community  
Centre.**

For more information  
contact Ruth at:  
077714581695



**What To Expect**

- \*An introduction to Netball
- \*A Training session
- \*A friendly match

Also check out all the new  
facilities at Greetham Community  
Centre.

**Bar Open  
Food Available**

## **COMING EVENTS**

### ***Parish Council***

There will not be a meeting in August. The next General Meeting will be convened on Wednesday September 8th 2021 at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 19.30hrs. Correspondence will be available before the meeting from 19.20 hrs.

### ***The Gathering***

The August Gathering will be on the 19th and we look forward to seeing everyone there.

### **Greetham Church Fete Saturday August 21st 12-4pm**

#### **URGENT REQUEST**

We need lots of **TOMBOLA PRIZES** - the more the better.

Bottles of all shapes, sizes and contents, tins (please check best before date), toiletries, sweets, stationery etc.

Please leave prizes at the shop or ring 812852.

**CAKES** will be needed for the cake stall. Deliver to Jackie at 24 Church Lane.

**RAFFLE BOARDS** will be in the pubs and the shop - £1 per square Bouncy Castle, BBQ, tombola, raffle, games to play, prizes to be won.

#### **FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY**

See Facebook for updates



*Bouncy  
Castle*

*Tombola*

**GREETHAM**

*Bar*

**CHURCH**

*Teas*

*Dog Show*

**FETE**

*Games*



*BBQ*



**21st August 2021**

**12PM to 4PM**

**Greetham Community Centre**



Thank you to our  
Sponsors



## ***Speedwatch - August 9<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>***

In spite of volunteers who generously offered help during this period, it has become apparent that it will **not** be possible to conduct a Speedwatch Campaign at a time when many other willing helpers will have varied commitments during this holiday month.

Rutland County Council along with the Leicestershire Constabulary have therefore been asked to offer a later time in the Autumn when organising a scheme over a fourteen day period may be more viable.

Peter Hitchcox

Greetham Parish Council

## **GENERAL NEWS**

### ***Mobile Library***

In place of its normal Mobile Library Service, Rutland County Council has introduced a new Home Library delivery and collection service.

For mobile library customers in Rutland villages place your requests (holds) by phone on 01572 722918 or via our online catalogue, and we will arrange delivery to you. We will also pick up your loans. Please telephone us to re-new any items.

### ***Social adult tennis doubles***

Calling intermediate/ex club players

If you are interested in joining our regular Wednesday 5pm and Sunday 4pm knock abouts, please call

Stephen Calnan on 01572 813943 or

email [stephen.calnan@btinternet.com](mailto:stephen.calnan@btinternet.com)

Come on down and enjoy some fun, fresh air and banter!



### ***Allotments***

Calling all budding gardeners, environmentalists and everyone else.

Would you be interested in renting an allotment to grow your own vegetables and fruit?

Wouldn't it be great to :

have your own food free from herbicides and pesticides,

reduce your carbon footprint by cutting down food miles,

encourage local wildlife,

increase your well being by exercising in the open air during all times of the year,

escape from the shackles of social media for several hours each week,

interact with nature,

make new chums?

All this and more by becoming an allotment holder.

We are hoping to help make an area of the village available for allotments and would firstly like to gauge the interest from villagers.

Expressions of interest are encouraged - if you would like to register, please inform the Parish Council before 18 August ([greethampc@gmail.com](mailto:greethampc@gmail.com)).

Once we know there is sufficient interest we will look to help determine the next stages of the proposal, including costs for renting.

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

The following Parish Council reports are 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](http://www.Greethamrutland.com)

### **GREETHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

#### **Minutes of Meeting on 14th July 2021 @ 7.30pm held at the Community Centre**

##### **Matters arising**

##### **Pond Lane Parking Issue**

GM reported that a meeting was held at Oak House on 3<sup>rd</sup> June, attended by Preston Walker, a Pond Lane resident and representative from GPC. Since the meeting Preston Walker has replaced the signage to make it clearer, and has written to all suppliers asking them to not block Pond Lane when making deliveries (preferably to park on the other side of Oak House or Main Street).

The Pond Lane resident has since reported an issue with a vehicle parking on the green at the corner of Pond Lane, causing a near collision, which has been reported to the police.

##### **Greetham Memorial Bench**

The Chair gave an update on the memorial bench which was a request from the family of the driver who died in the village. The bench is being delivered shortly and will be installed at the top end of the Wheatsheaf garden. There are no costs to GPC.

##### **Fix my Parish**

Over many months we have been working on the quarry planning applications - these are:

- NW Extension
- Extension to restoration
- Warehouse Development
- Residential Development
- Bullimores Quarry Scoping Application

We have been chasing several RCC departments and officials for responses to an ever growing list of questions, sometimes these have received very slow responses or no responses at all and this has become a major frustration.

In order to attack this issue we produced a "FIX MY PARISH" spreadsheet in which we recorded all the current outstanding issues awaiting responses, with dates and names. This was distributed to a small, but elite list of members both elected and non-elected, to see if we could unblock this log jam.

It is pleasing to report that it has proved to be most effective. The list was sent at

8.05 on 7<sup>th</sup> July and by the evening we had received over 80% of the outstanding correspondence after weeks of chasing in some cases. We will continue to use this to inform GPC members.

### **Planning Application 2021/0170/MAO Housing & 2021/0171/MAO Warehousing**

The Quarry Focus Group and SWAG are now focusing on

Biodiversity and Ecology report

We are challenging the Leicester Ecology Consultee response to the Developers Consultants Ecology report which states that the warehouse development will produce a higher biodiversity score than what is currently on the land.

This is due to the fact that, due to poor enforcement of the phased restoration, an invasive plant species (Pirri Pirri Burr) has taken hold in the quarry and has reduced the land quality to poor.

The importance of these former limestone quarries for supporting calcareous grasslands is identified within the County Biodiversity Action Plan 2016 - 2026.

This is very relevant to the former Greetham Quarry, particularly as there remains legal obligations for it to be restored to a calcareous grassland. It is important to remember too that the operator has stated such works are nearly complete requiring only a further 2 months' work to finalise.

If members of the public want any additional information, please email [greeth-ampc@gmail.com](mailto:greeth-ampc@gmail.com)

### **North West Quarry Extension – Planning Application 2020/0297/MIN**

The decision notice on this planning application has not been issued in response to our Protocol Letter receiving attention from RCC.

We have a meeting arranged for 26<sup>th</sup> July with Roger Ranson (Head of Minerals Policy at RCC) and Mark Chant (Minerals NCC) to discuss their policy on mineral reserves, need and supply.

### **Planning Reference 2021/0617/SCO – Land corner of Thistleton Lane and Stretton Road.**

A scoping document has been received to assess the feasibility of whether the land would be suitable to quarry. This is not an application at this stage.

A response letter was sent to RCC proposing the following items to be included within the request for information:

- 1 a detailed and thorough baseline survey and assessment for dust.
- 2 a detailed and thorough baseline survey and assessment for noise.
- 3 a detailed impact assessment of the proposal on the nearby SSSI, Merry's Meadow.

### **Planning Applications**

Comments were put on the RCC Planning Portal in respect of the following 4 planning applications received in May/June.

Application 2021/0600/FUL – Five Counties Park – erection of maintenance shed

Application 2021/0592/FUL – 5 Church Lane – single storey side extension

Application 2021/0555/CAT – 49 Main Street – tree pruning

Application 2021/0591/CAT – The Granary, Great Lane – tree pruning

The following decisions were noted:

### **Application 2021/1346/PAD**



Proposed change of use of an agricultural building to a dwelling. The Old Piggery Far Wood Lane Greetham Rutland LE15 7QT Rutland County Council give notice that approval has been granted subject to a list of conditions – *available on planning portal*.

### **Application 2021/0110/FUL**

Extension to an existing residential annexe -85 Main Street Greetham Rutland LE15 7NJ

RCC GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the following:

The annex shall not be occupied at any time other than for purposes ancillary to the residential use of the dwelling known as 85 Main Street, Greetham Reason: The relationship with the host dwelling makes it unsuitable for use as an independent residential unit.

### **Application 2021/0555/CAT**

2 no. field maples - cut back & reduce by 1 metre. 1 no. lawson conifer - reduce by 3 metres in height. - 49 Main Street Greetham Rutland LE15 7NJ Rutland  
RCC has decided not to exercise its powers to make a provisional Tree Preservation Order in this instance.

### **Application 221/0591/CAT**

(T1) no. Willow – fell - The Granary, Great Lane

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

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **Gates with speed signs**

The new gates with speed signs have been observed at Stretton. The Chair suggested that it may be good to have the same in Greetham to help with speeding issues and to define the entry to the village at both ends.

All agreed they would be beneficial. It was agreed to put in a request with Robyn Green at Highways in September, after the speed watch in August.

### **Provision of Allotments**

DB reported that a resident has offered some land in Great Lane which may be suitable for allotments. A standard fee would be charged to allotment holders and it had been suggested that GPC administer and manage this. After discussion it was pointed out that this would involve a lot of additional work for the PC, and although the PC would launch the idea and identify the rules, it did not have to be run by the PC if there was an interested volunteer in the village.

It was agreed to advertise in the Greetham Newsletter to assess if there is any demand. If anyone is interested in taking up an allotment, then a person will need to be found to manage it.

DB to put together an advert for the newsletter and facebook.

### **Defibrillator Update**

KE gave an update on the defibrillator which had gone missing for a few days.

This had been used by Air Ambulance for an accident in the village; they took it away with them and it ended up at Oakham Ambulance Centre, which is un-

manned most of the time. Fortunately, a first responder in Greetham managed to retrieve it from Oakham Ambulance Centre the following day.

### **Focus Groups**

#### **Fix my Street and Highways – PH, AJ, GM**

To date there are 10 volunteers all offering limited time for the Community Speed Watch in August. PH is awaiting a training date from the Police. It is hoped that this can still go ahead, but the August dates are not the most convenient.

Agreed for GM to put a request out for more volunteers in the newsletter and on facebook – any new volunteers to contact PH.

Main Street has been resurfaced and the pathway along Main Street has been repaired and resurfaced for some of its distance. The nettles along the Viking Way (near the Plough) have been cleared. The signage (double bend) coming east into the village and the 20mph sign by the Wheatsheaf have been reported, as has the sign by the Old School.

#### **Community Centre – KE, JD**

There is a Family Fun Day with a BBQ and sports to relaunch the Community Centre on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August 1 – 5pm.

#### **Reports from outside bodies**

Rutland North Beat Report for June

|                         |                                      |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Burglary (residential)  | Ryhall                               |
| Burglary (business)     | Greetham                             |
| Theft of vehicle        | Ryhall, Hambleton                    |
| Theft from vehicle      | Market Overton, Stretton, A1 x 2     |
| Theft                   | Cottesmore x 2, Whissendine, Langham |
| Assault                 | Cottesmore x 3                       |
| Public Order            | Ryhall, Cottesmore, Stretton         |
| Criminal Damage         | Exton x 2, Essendine                 |
| Bilking (theft of fuel) | Greetham                             |

#### **Next Meeting**

Next full Parish Council Meeting – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September

## ***NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH***

### ***Rutland North Neighbourhood Police***

**Leicestershire Constabulary** 101

Through the force website – [www.leics.police.uk](http://www.leics.police.uk) and following the link – Your Community.

**Rutland County Council** 01572 722577

**Crimestoppers** 0800 555111

**URGENT Remember, in an emergency always call 999.**

## ***Do you want a huge warehouse on your doorstep?***

If not, please write to the Rutland Times regarding the Rutland Draft Local Plan.

In January 2021 Rutland County Councillors voted in favour of a Draft Local Plan which is essential to ensure that developers cannot build wherever they choose.

In April 2021, the same Councillors voted to reject a government grant of £30million for infrastructure to develop St George's Barracks which is a key-stone of the Draft Local Plan.

In September 2021, the Councillors will vote again on whether or not they support the Draft Local Plan with alternative funding arrangements.

If they fail to approve the plan, then Rutland will be in the situation where it cannot demonstrate that it can meet development needs and will be in this position for **at least three years**.

The consequence of this will be that developers will have much freer rein to build anywhere they wish.

This may be critical to our campaign to prevent the warehouse development on the old quarry site.

Please write to the Rutland Times expressing your concern at this state of affairs, in the hope that Councillors will read the letter and vote to support the Draft Local Plan.

(Note - Rutland Times require that you supply name, address and day telephone number. The limit on text is 375 words. Email the editor at [rutlandtimes@iliffepublishing.co.uk](mailto:rutlandtimes@iliffepublishing.co.uk))  
Greetham Parish Council

## **FOR YOUR DIARIES**

### ***“SAVE THE DATE”***

New date for Greetham Comedy night is now Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September. All tickets bought last year are valid. Comedians have now been booked and I will update nearer the time. Many thanks for your patience. Looking forward to finally getting the “show on the road”! (you can always hope!)

Keep safe, Stephen Calnan



## **GREETHAM SAFARI SUPPER**

Saturday 2nd October 2021

Do you love to entertain, enjoy good food and great company?

Then come and join us for this year's annual Safari Supper.

The evening begins with a sparkling reception at Greetham Community Centre.

Followed by three courses, at three different houses, with different people at each course.

Dress code - Black Tie and Posh Frocks.

To register your interest and request a booking form, please contact

Vicky on 812893 or [vickyp28@icloud.com](mailto:vickyp28@icloud.com) BOOKING FORMS AND

PAYMENT NEED TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED NO LATER

THAN SATURDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER This is a fund raising

event in aid of Greetham Community Centre future projects. Vicky,

Steph & Helen

### **WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR THE NEWSLETTER?**

The newsletter is collated, printed and distributed to every house in Greetham. Obviously costs are involved and we invite businesses and individuals to sponsor the newsletter with a donation of £25. Sponsorship is duly recognised in the newsletter. If you are interested please contact the editor at [greethamnews@aol.com](mailto:greethamnews@aol.com)

*Thanks to Pete and Ande for sponsoring this  
newsletter*

*Pete & Ande, would like to thank all the Community  
Centre Committee & staff for the support at their wedding despite covid  
restrictions.*

*Also to our friends for making the day special  
with the wonderful lunch. Many thanks for all the  
gifts and your generous donations for our chosen  
charities*



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## WRAP AROUND CARE WORKERS



Are you considering a career working with children?  
Do you find yourself with time on your hands?  
Are you a creative person with lots of ideas?

Exton & Greetham CE Primary School are looking for an enthusiastic person (or two) to join our school team from September 2021 to staff our Wrap Around Care.

Position 1: Breakfast Club Hours: 7.30-9.00am 5 days a week term-time only.  
Position 2: After School Club Hours: 3.30-5.45pm 5 days a week term-time only.  
Positions could be combined.

Exton & Greetham CE Primary School is a small rural school with a strong family ethos.

**Please contact the school office if you are interested in either or both positions.**

To arrange request an application pack and for more details, please contact the school office. Application packs are also available at [www.extonschool.co.uk](http://www.extonschool.co.uk) where you can also find out more about our school.

Contact details: Mrs Lynn Almond Exton and Greetham CE Primary School  
Website: [www.extonschool.co.uk](http://www.extonschool.co.uk) Tel: 01572 812380 Email: [extonoffice@rltschools.com](mailto:extonoffice@rltschools.com)

*Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and therefore the applicant will be subject to an enhanced DBS Disclosure Check.*



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Tel 01572 813613  
[www.theploughgreetham.co.uk](http://www.theploughgreetham.co.uk)

## SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

*Please send details of all forthcoming events to Clare Hitchcox*

***by Thursday August 19th please***

*The Walnuts, 69 Main Street, Greetham. LE15 7NJ*

*email: greethamnews@aol.com*

*01572 812585*

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## **Exton and Greetham CE Primary School**

*Serving the communities of Greetham and Exton*

### **Looking Forward...**

As you read this, we will be in the middle of our Summer Holiday. The school will be quiet, save for teachers busy preparing for September and a few contractors on site getting the building ready for the new academic year as we move to four classes.

With last year perhaps being the most 'different' year in education since the end of World War 2, we are hoping that the academic year 2021-22 will herald a return to some form of normality in education.

We are looking forward to welcoming visitors back to the school and have plenty of exciting activities planned in for the next year, all being well:

- Visiting theatre groups and drama workshops
- Sports trips and events
- Music activities and class music lessons
- Forest schools
- STEM activities
- Art projects
- Maths projects
- Science week
- World book day

to name just a few!

We look forward to welcoming all of the children back on 1<sup>st</sup> September.

*If you would like to find out more about the school, the website is a good place to start – [www.extonschool.co.uk](http://www.extonschool.co.uk). We are also happy to show prospective parents around the school. Just contact the school office on the phone on 01572 812380 or by email at [extonoffice@rltschools.com](mailto:extonoffice@rltschools.com).*