



GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER JUNE 2021

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Greetham Community Centre up and coming events

Over the last year things have been very strange and hard for everyone. Now areas are opening up to us gradually this month, hopefully the road map will continue and on June 21 will allow us to look forward to opening our doors once again, and welcoming you to join in with the events we have planned,

Starting off :

June 24: Thursday starting with the Gathering of amazing Cars/bikes

10 July: Church Fete followed by music with local bands for everyone to enjoy.

1 August: The opening of the refurbished Community Centre, along with fun for all the family with various activities taking place.

Please get your dairies out and start marking these dates down. Let's make this new start a good one (Covid restrictions will be applied)

More information will be given shortly on these dates, so keep an eye out in the news letter or the Greetham Facebook page. We look forward to seeing you all again soon. The Events Team

	Residents Rates £ per hour		Non Residents Rates £ per Hour	
	Sum- 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

Open Gardens Sunday June 13th

Greetham Open Gardens 13th June 1 till 5pm

11 gardens will be open at the east end of the village. Entrance is £5 with accompanied children free. Parking and tickets will be available from the Community Centre. There will be teas and cakes and a plant stall at the Community Centre as well. All proceeds will go towards the church fabric fund.

Can you help with teas for an hour or so and/or bake a cake?

Please let Helen know on 812852. All proceeds in aid of St Mary's Church Greetham.

Thursday coffee mornings

Jackie and I are looking forward to welcoming old and new faces at the Thursday morning "Meet'em in Greetham Community Cafe, It may be slightly different for us all as we will need to follow the rule of six / two households maximum seated at a table and it will be "waitress/waiter" service! There will be a one way in and out system to avoid congestion. However, we now have the additional blessing of the lovely outdoor seating area, which will be of great benefit throughout the summer months (and cooler months for the hardy folk!)

Despite all the rules and regs, it will just be nice to get together after such a long break!

Sue and Jackie

The Gatherings are coming back....

June Gathering - Change of date The June Gathering is usually scheduled to take place on 17th June. However it cannot take place on that date as the Government Covid-19 restrictions will still be in place. So we have decided to move the June Gathering from the third to the fourth Thursday of June – the 24th. This means that we should be able to have 4 Gatherings this year between June and September. With only one Gathering last year we are all excited about them resuming. We hope you can support us again at this popular event. Volunteers to help in the setup, running and closing down are always welcome! Please note that the information above is correct at time of writing, but should the Government make any roadmap adjustments that may affect this rescheduling, then we

obliged to follow them. The latest information on the Gatherings can always be found at our website (www.greethamgathering.co.uk) or our Facebook page

St. Mary's Church **Church services**

There will be services on the 6th, 13th and 20th June and on 27th June there will be a service of celebration and reflection, and Holy Communion, for the end of lockdown. All welcome.

Services will continue online for those unable or who do not yet wish to go to a church building.

For up to date information please check the benefice website www.northrutlandchurches.org.uk

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 renew any items.

Greetham Vikings Petanque Club

We hope to start playing soon with, hopefully, some open Sunday playing days and friendly matches. The Rutland League will re-start in 2022

If you are interested in meeting us please contact Peter Hitchcox 812585 or Pat Evans 813448

Greetham Main Street

I pulled together a report on the damage done to the buildings on Main Street for the quarry planning applications and am going to continue to collect evidence of the damage that is being done to the buildings and associated structures by the passing traffic.

This will give the village the information it needs to campaign to reduce the heavy lorry traffic going through the village. Please can you let me know if and when your property sustains any damage so that I can add it to the evidence data. Please contact me by

email on karen@mccombiesmith.co.uk with details of damage with photos if possible including the date of the damage. I am keen to collect any historic evidence as well if I have not already been in contact with you.

Odour Alert!

Dear Villagers

We have once again been having issues with our village plumbing. The sewage pumping station, on the brook, just beyond Wheatsheaf Lane, has been getting blocked and overflowing.

To make sure all leaks are dealt with swiftly, please contact Janem Shelton or Jayne Isaac with any reports of odours or liquid being discharged into the brook from the pumping station. If people see anything draining out from the pumping station, please take a photo and forward it to Janem or Jayne, with a date and time.

We are now regularly advising Anglian Water and the Environment Officers of any problems and building up a log of the recorded failures of the system. With your help Anglian Water will realise they need to upgrade the equipment to cope with the much larger village that we now are. Manual emptying by tanker has already taken place several times in the last few months, due to blocking.

Please help your Parish Council to help You!

Janem Shelton Janem.shelton@mypostoffice.o.uk

Jayne Isaac greethampc@gmail.com

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 the Annual Meeting and May Monthly Meeting
Held on 6th May 2021 @ 7.30pm held remotely on Zoom

Opening of Meeting

The Chair sadly announced receipt of a letter of resignation from Cllr. David Hodson. The Chair thanked DH for all his hard work, dedication and invaluable contribution to GPC over the years.

Vacancy for Parish Councillor by Co-option

The Chair explained that since the resignation of David Hodson, there are now two vacancies. There have been two applications received from two very good applicants; namely

James Earl-Fraser who can offer representation from the other end of the village (Begy Gardens), and David Baker who is a member of the Quarry Liaison Group and SWAG.

Questions/Comments from members of the public

The installation of a CCTV camera on the lamppost from the A1 on the right hand side should have a sign up. It was noted that JD has already contacted RCC on this matter and is awaiting a response.

Funeral Process and Burial policies

The funeral process and burial policies have been reviewed recently. The records are now digital, together with the burial ground map.

Review of Focus Groups

A review of Focus Groups has been carried out. The Chair went through the allocation of councillors to each group with an explanation of the purpose of each group.

Allocation agreed as follows (to include the 2 new councillors):

Fix my Street – P Hitchcox and A Jenkins

Burial Ground – K Edward

Trees, Nature & Environment – P Hitchcox, A Jenkins, J Earl-Fraser

Drainage, Sewage & Water – J Shelton, K Edward

Monthly Planning Review & Local Plan – J Shelton, D Baker, J Earl-Fraser

Tourism – J Denyer, G McKee

Community Centre – K Edward, J Denyer, G McKee

New Quarry & Old Quarry – D Baker, J Denyer

Election of Councillors working on external bodies and members of the public.

Defib. Warden - S Begy

Neighbourhood Watch Representative – D Hodson

Safer Villages Representative – J Denyer

Burial Ground – K Edward & S Begy

Proposed by GM, seconded by AJ

Quarry Liaison Group

North Western extension to Greetham Quarry – Planning Application 2020/0297/MIN

We have received confirmation of receipt of our letter from RCC to our barrister letter regarding our concerns regarding the determination of the NW planning application. The application will be re-submitted to Planning Committee.

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

Nick Hodgett (planning case officer for these 2 applications), has advised that, due to the rejection of the HIF fund and questions over the Local Plan, planning applications are likely to be delayed.

To receive Planning Applications

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

Proposal: 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.

Location: 45-47 Main Street, Greetham.

Both applications were discussed as one. The Chair brought up the site plan on screen and Councillors gave their views. All were happy with the plans for restoration of the building, but had some concern about moving the access.

There was unanimous agreement to support the applications with some provisos.

Focus Groups

Fix my Street (including roads, footpaths and street lighting

The report has been updated since the walk through the village visit with Lucy Stephenson. The only action at present was the repainting of a faded white line on the south side of Main Street from Kirks Close towards Oakham. RCC have now scheduled some dates for the speed watch in August.

Trees, Nature and Environment (incl. litter and benches)

A request has been received from the family of the driver who died, for a bench with plaque on road by Wheatsheaf. The family are happy to pay for the costs.

All felt that the spot where the accident happened was not a safe place to put a bench and would create danger. After discussion, there was approval for the positioning of the bench to go by the bus shelter or in the Wheatsheaf car-park. It was suggested that the family be contacted to discuss their preference.

Drainage, Water and Sewage

A further 2 complaints about the sewage smelling have been reported to Anglian Water. They have suggested that the lids on the water

wells may not be fitted properly so they are going to check them.

Correspondence and Communication

Update on remote Zoom meetings

The Chair explained that the zoom council meetings are now illegal from 7th May. Future meetings are to be held in person but cannot go ahead in groups of more than 6 until 21st June when COVID rules are more relaxed.

Correspondence from resident regarding verges in Church Lane GPC are still looking at signage to discourage HGVs in Church Lane. It was acknowledged that there has been a residents' referendum on this, but due to the profusion of speed signs, RCC have to change the markings on the road first so that everything within the village is 20mph. This was explained in detail at the meeting.

Reports from outside bodies

Rutland North Beat Report for April:

Theft – Stretton, Ryhall x 2, Egleton, Market Overton

Theft from vehicle – A1 x 4, Langham, Whissendine, Little Casterton

Assault – Thistleton, Langham, Exton, Greetham, Great Casterton x 5

Bilking – Stretton (Ram Jam), Great Casterton (Bloody Oaks)

Public Order – Hambleton

Criminal Damage - Burley

Next Meeting

14th July at 7.30pm at Community Centre in Main Hall.

Speedwatch 9th-20th August

Rutland County Council has just informed the parish council that they are offering us Speedwatch from 9th August- 20th August . In order to be able to do this successfully volunteers will be needed for each weekday during the delivery period. It is appreciated that this is in the middle of the holiday period when hopefully many of us will be hoping to get away for a break and may not be the most appropriate time for us. If you are, however, able to help please let me know. It can be just for a day or so, and if we can build up a team this campaign will be possible.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you are able to help so that I can reply positively to the County Council's invitation

Peter Hitchcox Greetham Parish Council

HCHitch@aol.com or greethampc@gmail.com

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 call 999.

FOR YOUR DIARIES

GREETHAM FETE TOMBOLA PRIZES NEEDED

We need LOTS of prizes for the tombola at the fete on July 10th. Bottles of all sorts, tins (please check best before date), toiletries, jams and chutneys but not home-made - there will be a preserves stall for that - and anything else you would like to win. Please leave at the **village shop** in a bag marked Tombola.

Thank you

Parish Council

The next General Meeting will be convened on Wednesday July 14th 2021 at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 19.30hrs. Correspondence will be available before the meeting from 19.20 hrs.



Tennis Bonanza

Sunday August 1st Tennis bonanza down the Community centre. Details to follow in next edition

“SAVE THE DATE”

New date for Greetham Comedy night is now Saturday 25th September. All tickets bought last year are valid.



I am awaiting information on the comedy acts and 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

Diabetes Prevention

The Diabetes Prevention programme is a free service for people who are at high risk of developing type 2 diabetes in our area. We focus on helping people to maintain a healthy weight, increase their physical activity levels and improve their diet, empowering them to take charge of their health and wellbeing and learn how to prevent Type 2 diabetes.

NHS England are temporarily allowing people who score moderate to high risk of developing Type 2 diabetes (a score of 16+) on a short questionnaire called the Know Your Risk Tool (<https://preventing-diabetes.co.uk/know-your-risk-dtc/>) to sign up for our programme if they wish to. This pathway is only available until 30th September 2021 and so we hope to support as many people as we can to get access onto our programme before then.

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*Michael Dalby
Shoestring Theatre*

and

*Kit and Judy Swinfen
With thanks for having had such help and
support during lockdown*

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Please send details of all forthcoming events to Clare Hitchcox

by Sunday June 20th please

*The Walnuts, 69 Main Street, Greetham. LE15 7NJ
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**Stamford Arts Centre Theatre re-opens on July
19th with Shoestring's new production of the
sparkling 19th Century comedy *London
Assurance***

The first ever performance of Dion Boucicault's *London Assurance* was on 4 March 1841 at the Theatre Royal Covent Garden where it ran for three months. More recently, revised by Richard Bean, who wrote *One Man, Two Guvnors*, it was an outstanding success at the National Theatre in 2010.

Now, to cheer everybody up, and to welcome audiences back to live theatre, Shoestring will be presenting six performances of this uproarious comedy at 7.45pm **from Monday-Saturday, July 19th-24th**. For tickets contact the Arts Centre Box Office, 01780 755611, or www.stamfordartscentre.com.

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EYFS, and we encourage the children to still ask questions right the way up to year 6. An inquisitive mind is a learning mind! Through asking questions, and exploring the world around them, the children grow as learners and develop a wider understanding of the world around them.

Our job at primary school is to open the children's eyes to the possibilities around them, before they discover their own interests and preferences. By allowing them to 'explore and grow' we are opening them to different possibilities in the future. Who knows, maybe we have the next great inventor, scientist or performer currently in our school!



If you would like to find out more about the school, the website is a good place to start – www.extonschool.co.uk. We now have a 'virtual tour' available on the website under 'about us'. We are also happy to chat to prospective parents on the phone on 01572 812380.