

GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2015

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Village spring clean

COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

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We are sorry to have to report that Ruth and Andy, our joint Bar Managers, have resigned. We are very grateful for all they have done and wish them well. We are, therefore, in the process of trying to replace them. An advertisement will be placed in the shop window, on facebook and on the net, together with the two local papers and this Newsletter. If you are interested in applying or want further information you can always contact myself (Maureen 813061) or any member of the Committee.

The Centre continues to be used quite frequently, with Wednesday and Thursday being the busier days. The Bowls Club held their Bowls Circus last Saturday evening - an event enjoyed by all. Greetham Bowls summer season will start on Easter Monday, 6th April, with a roll up and ad hoc competition. You are welcome to come along and join in.

We have a new contact mobile number for bookings:

07500 079780

with the original answerphone number (01572 812389) still being in operation.

Tickets for the Acoustic evening are going very well - don't be disappointed - get your tickets now from either Vicky or myself (812893/813061). Tickets are priced at £10.00 to include a tapas supper and free draw. Ladies don't forget the Pamper Evening - again tickets are on sale (812893/813061) at £6.00 to include a glass of wine.

Tickets are also available from Helen McGarrigle for two Centre Stage productions:

8th May - Impossible Things

7th June - Wanderlust

Don't be left out - give her a ring on 812804

Lastly if you would like to help your Community Centre in any way, please give me a ring.

Greetham Community Centre Committee

GREETHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
WE ARE AT PRESENT LOOKING FOR A
BAR MANAGER FOR THE CENTRE

**(looking after and maintaining bar/
maintaining stock/managing staff
requirements for various functions)**

5 - 10 HOURS PER WEEK

PAY NEGOTIABLE

APPLICATIONS IN WRITING TOGETHER WITH CVs

to THE SECRETARY (MRS. M HUBBERT)
14 POND LANE, GREETHAM.
OR BY EMAIL ON
tandmhubbert@talktalk.net

CLOSING DATE - 10TH APRIL 2015

COMING EVENTS IN APRIL

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| Wed | 1st | Oak House Lunch |
| Thu | 2nd | Mobile library |
| Fri | 3rd | Benefice Cross walk |
| | | Good Friday Devotional Service 13.00 - 15.00 |
| Sat | 4th | Shattered on Saturday |
| Sun | 5th | Easter day Greetham Church 9.30am Holy Communion |
| | | Village Quiz The Wheatsheaf 9pm |
| Mon | 6th | Outdoor Bowls starts |
| Wed | 8th | Parish Council meeting |
| Sun | 12th | Greetham Church 9.30am Service of the Word (with
breakfast from 9am) |
| | | Engineering Society |
| Mon | 13th | WI |
| Wed | 15th | Ladies' Pamper Evening |
| Sat | 18th | Tapas and Acoustic Night |
| Sun | 19th | Greetham Church 9.30 am Morning Praise |
| | | Vikings' Petanque Open Day |
| Thu | 16th | Mobile library |
| Mon | 20th | Last day for newsletter items |
| Sun | 26th | Greetham Church Sung Eucharist 9.30am |
| | | Village Quiz The Wheatsheaf 8pm |
| Thu | 30th | Mobile library |

Oak House lunch

Our Oak House Over 60s Lunch Club will be on Wednesday 1st April - 1.15pm arrival. Two courses for £7.50.

Please book in advance. This is essential. Come and be a part of our community!
Oak House Residential Home - 01572 812647

Rutland Mobile Library in Greetham

Thursday April 2nd, 16th and 30th . Times are approximate

Oakham Road Lock's Close 14.00 - 14:20

Church Lane Near No 20 14:20 - 14:40

Church Lane Opp. The Plough 14:40 - 15.00

For information please contact Oakham Library 01572 722918



Shattered on Saturday

Shattered on Saturday starts again on Easter Saturday, April 4th in St Mary's Church 10.30 - 12.30 and then every Saturday throughout the spring and summer. Come and have a cup of tea or coffee, read the papers and have a chat or just sit and listen to music and unwind after a busy week. Everyone welcome.

Greetham Monthly Sunday Quiz

At 'The Wheatsheaf' on Sunday April 5th 9pm (Easter Day) and 26th 8pm. Teams of four or thereabouts. £1 per person entry (to include a light snack) with the money going to good causes - also a lucrative cash snowball. **Please note the different starting times this month.**



Parish Council

The next meeting will be convened on Wednesday 8th April 2015 at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 19.30hrs. Correspondence will be available from 1920 hrs.

Greetham Engineering Society

Fancy catching up with Ian Smeeton, recent landlord of the Plough? On Sunday 12th April 2015 there will be a visit to The Brewery Alehouse, Old Dalby where Ian is now the manager . Transport by the Big Red bus. Meet at bottom of Great Lane at 12 noon. Cost £16 for tour tasting and lunch. If you would like to go, please contact Dave Hodson tel no 813 902

WI

The next monthly meeting will be held on April 13th, when Jill Palmer will be talking about 'Humorous Verse'. 7.45pm at The Community Centre.

LADIES PAMPER EVENING WEDNESDAY 15th APRIL 7-10 PM

Come and join us for a little bit of relaxation, pampering & retail therapy at Greetham Community Centre.

As always, lots of beauty therapist will be offering £5 mini taster treatments ranging from manicures, pedicures, reflexology, back, neck & shoulder massage, Indian head massage, eyebrows and much more. Consultants will be offering expert advice on the night along with a chance for you to do a spot of retail shopping.

This is a wonderful ladies night to relax, meet up with friends and to have a drink in the clubroom.

Tickets are £6 to include a glass of wine, available from Vicky 812893 or Maureen 813061

This is a fundraising event for Greetham Community Centre.

TAPAS & ACOUSTIC NIGHT SATURDAY 18TH APRIL 7.30 pm

Greetham Community Centre is holding an acoustic and Tapas evening. Music by "The Great North Rogues Trio" including a light Tapas supper.

This event will be held in the clubroom and will be limited to 50 tickets only.

This is a ticket only event and you will be entered into a free prize draw on the evening with your ticket .

Available from Vicky 812893 or Maureen 813061

All money raised from this night is fundraising for Greetham Community Centre.

Petanque

Greetham Vikings' Petanque Club will be holding their Open Day on Sunday 19th April 12 noon onwards. Come for a game. Lunch of French Bread/Cheese/Pate etc will be provided, and the bar will be open for drinks.

REVIEWS

GREETHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

This month's meeting was Members' Night, when the committee members have a break and the members organise the evening. This year, Chris Parkin took charge, in celebration of her significant birthday and to celebrate twenty years of living in Greetham. Twenty members attended and the evening's business began with a thank you from Elke de Vries for providing the desserts at the ceilidh she and her brother organised to raise funds for their humanitarian trip to Morocco. The President then circulated a list of forthcoming events, including the centenary AGM at the Royal Albert Hall, which will be streamed live in Langham. Chris then thanked us for our friendship and introduced her secret weapon in the shape of Steve Peers who has spent most of the last seven years as a chief technician to the RAF Display Team, the Red Arrows. Steve has done four tours with the team and has flown about 50 hours in the back seat. We were given an amazing insight into the history of the team, their training schedule, selection processes and the importance of their back up and support staff.

The RAF has had a display team for its entire existence—earlier teams were the Yellow Jacks and the Black Arrows. In 1964 the decision was made to have just one team. Originally only seven pilots flew the displays, two of whom were reserves, but it was decided to increase this to nine. The original aircraft were replaced by the now iconic Hawks. As well as the nine pilots, the team includes 85 engineering, service and maintenance staff, the dye team (responsible for the distinctive red white and blue smoke) and the road support team. The pilots serve a three year tour before returning to regular duties with their squadrons. During the winter they fly as many training flights from their base at RAF Scampton.

ton as the weather permits, consolidating this with Operation Springhawk, which is intensive training at RAF Akrotiri in Cyprus. This ends with the Commanding Officer passing the team fit to display during the summer, after which they don their distinctive red (pilots) and blue (engineers) flying suits.

Each display lasts about 24 minutes and includes such iconic formations as the Diamond Nine, the Phoenix and the Swan. During the summer season, they may fly two or three displays a day. We were very lucky to see a video, some of which was filmed from the pilot's view, which was fascinating if a little stomach churning at times! Steve also explained the effect of G force on the pilots---tunnel vision is likely to occur and their heads may become much heavier!

After his talk Steve handed out mementoes in the shape of signed posters, photos and badges. After his riveting presentation, we were all treated by Chris Parkin to delicious refreshments with wine and hot drinks.

Our next meeting will be held on April 13th—a presentation entitled “Humorous Verse” by Jill Palmer. Guests are always welcome at meetings, which are held at 7.45 in the Community Centre

Thanks

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank the residents of Great Lane for their kind contributions towards The Marie Curie Cancer appeal in February, where the sum of £57.24 was raised in the door to door collection, once again many thanks. Pam Collin

Bowls Club

The Games Evening on Sat March 14th made a profit of £120 for club funds. Participants enjoyed playing Bowls, Darts and Pool. Carlyby was the visiting team and a good time was had by all. Mary Easson

Apology

I inadvertently left this off the end of last month's review of the charity walk. Editor

Our target was to raise was £2000 , but we smashed though this . The final total raised thanks to all of the efforts of everyone involved, and donations via the just giving website was over **£4000**, so very well done, you should all be very proud of yourselves.

To everyone else who helped and donated thank you very much, we really appreciated the effort.

So what shall we do this year ?

Pippa and Janice.

GENERAL

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An update from the Greetham Oil Buying Group

Rutland Oil's 'Greetham Oil Buying Group' currently has 13 members that are emailed monthly. Of which on a typical month 3 are being delivered to, averaging about 1,000ltrs per delivery.

Whilst cost isn't the only consideration as service levels are also monitored, the typical savings are in the region of approximately £25-£70; (factors vary which makes it very difficult to be precise). Currently (March 2015), the buying group prices are approximately 6ppl cheaper than Rutland Oils usual prices, this means a saving of about £65 per order of 1000ltrs.

To join the group (there is no contract or commitment) contact Osian Hughes at Rutland Oil on 01780 782848, email Osian.Hughes@rutlandoil.com or check out their website www.rutlandoil.com

(Rutland Oil is a trading name of WFL (UK) Limited. Lindum House, Causeway End, Brinkworth, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 5DN)

Neighbourhood Plan

The Steering Group have now agreed on the basic policies which they believe should be included in the plan. They have also decided that a full site allocation process should be used to identify where future housing should be located. However, this involves a substantial amount of work and it is hoped to obtain a grant to fund this work.

David Hodson e-mail: hodson001@gmail.com Tel: 01572 813902

Greetham Website

The "What's on" section of the Greetham website now lists all the events which are open to the public for the year. Visit www.greethamrutland.com and look for the What's on tab.

PARISH COUNCIL

Greetham Parish Council Minutes March 11th 2015 (Subject to Approval)

Members: Mr P.Hitchcox (Chair); Mr R. Wicks (Vice chair); Mr K.Edward; Mrs J. Chapman; Mr R. Begy; Mr D. Hodson; Mrs J. Roberts.

Present: Members: Mr P.Hitchcox (Chair); Mr R. Wicks (Vice chair); Mr K.Edward; ; Mr R. Begy; Mr D. Hodson; Mrs J. Roberts.

In attendance: 3 members of the public.

Chair addressed the meeting. "The parish council works as a corporate body, nobody speaks individually on behalf of the parish council. Given the volume of excellent work which Parish Councillors are involved in, and that many of us are involved in other committees, this is a reminder to keep boundaries clear.'

Apologies for absence: Judy Chapman

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 11th 2015

Proposed: KE Seconded: JR Carried unanimously Chair abstained

Matters arising.

Great Lane potholes. A communication from Neil Tomlinson requests an onsite meeting with Chair and DH. Any concerns with highways will be broached at this meeting. Councillors are requested to submit these to Chair and DH.

Application comments made on Greetham Garage adjusted to read 'strongly object' to the lessening of parking spaces.

A response has been received regarding the un-adopted road to the burial ground.

To approve the minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on February 25th 2015

Proposed: DH Sec: KE Unanimous (PH abstained)

Matters arising

RCC planning have been contacted regarding adherence to permission granted with reference to application 2013/1020/FUL. A response is awaited.

Welcome pack to Garfoot Cottage outstanding. A letter pointing out the link to the Welcome Pack through the village web site is suggested to cut back on printing. A hard copy could be supplied if requested. Action DH.

Communication. The motion is a proposal that comments received from the public before the commencement of the meeting are related to the published agenda only. Any comments which do not relate to the published agenda must be presented to the Chair or Clerk in writing, in advance of the meeting. All comments, and any actions required, will be recorded on a spreadsheet.

Following discussion the amended proposal is: All comments received from the public before the commencement of the meeting will be recorded on a spreadsheet, with any actions if required.

The remainder of the motion would be passed to the next elected Parish Council for discussion.

Village Notice Board – agenda item for April.

Replacement of diseased trees in burial ground. A site visit will be undertaken by Councilors and this item placed on the April agenda. The sponsorship of a tree to be placed at the Burial Ground was offered by RB.

Finance: e-on £106.42 Proposed: DH SEC: RW Carried unanimously

Quote for erection of village sign – £40. Proposed: DH Sec: KE Carried unanimously. As the telegraph pole is still situated on the Village Green Chair will contact Western Power for clarification of proposed work.

Quote for labour for planting of holly bushes to replace removed cherry trees in burial ground - £15.00 each. Holly hedge @£8.00 per plant. Deferred until the site visit has been undertaken

Planning: 2014/1003/MAJ: Proposed development for a wind farm of 9 number, three bladed horizontal axis wind turbines.

RB – advised on material planning considerations but took no other part in decisions reached regarding comments to be made and placed on the RCC planning website.

Discussion reflected the diversity of views held within the community. A compilation of all views submitted by the Councilors will be circulated and comments invited. This will be further refined at the extraordinary meeting planned for 25/3/15 before submission.

2014/1004/MAJ: Solar photovoltaics with associated infrastructure at Woolfox depot, Woolfox Lodge Road, Empingham.

The PC feels it has not received the information in an acceptable format. A CD was provided with the planning information. No paper copy is provided. RB is requested to compile a complaint from Greetham Parish Council which points out that this prevents a reasoned response being made.

Fell No1 Acer tree, 85, Main Street. Rutland County Council has decided not to exercise its powers to make a provisional TPO in this instance.

Comments placed on RCC planning as statutory consultees.

No further discussion took place.

Applications to open Great Lane gates

As requested at the meeting held on February 11th Clerk presented guidelines.

Requests will be made to the Clerk, including proposed dates and times.

RCC Highways will be informed. Greetham Parish Council will be informed.

The opening and closing of the gates is the responsibility of the Community Centre Committee. Chair of Greetham parish Council will check the padlocks monthly.

Date of May meeting

The election of the new parish councillors is on 7th May – the vote count will be after this. It is agreed that the May agenda be sent to all candidates and that the meeting date is unaltered. As apologies have already been received for the April meeting it was checked that this will be quorate.

Community Centre Update

Men in General was a very successful event

The Bar managers have both resigned

Lettings; bookings are increasing

New electrical circuits and an electric check are to be undertaken

The old Village Sign will be refurbished and placed at the Community Centre.

For bookings the designated mobile phone number is 07500079780. Email [bookgreeth-](mailto:bookgreetham@gmx.com)

am@gmx.com

Welcome pack Bridge Lane

Correspondence

Woolfox planning application – a poster has been received with a request to place it in the village. This has been returned.

Letter from parishioner regarding safety mirror at driveway to Garfoot Cottage.

Reports from outside bodies

It is requested that Neighbourhood Plan be placed on all future agendas. The Neighbourhood Plan will identify specific sites for allocation for development. Extensive work is involved in this. A grant will be applied for to involve a Planning Consultant. RB will confirm the timing of RCC seeking next tranche of site allocations for 2016 – 2036.

Any Other Business

20 mph, an update is requested. To be included in the discussions held with RCC Highways Department.

Prospective new Parish Council candidates meeting (25th March). Tea and coffee will be provided (JR) Application forms will be provided (RB)

Complaints have been received regarding mud on Wood Lane and Main Street.

Pond Lane, the shed which replaces a temporary construction to the rear of oak House will be in place in April following some levelling of the ground and tidying of the surrounding area. Trees update. These will be planted in the near future following assurances from RCC to landowners that maintenance work will take place.

A plaque to will be placed on the new Village Sign to recognise those who donated.

Chair concluded the meeting with the following announcement: This is the last full meeting for me as Chairman as I will be away for the April meeting.

May I thank the Council, and its Clerk, for their hard work, strong debate and its ability to perceive the needs of the village. For me, this has been the most fruitful five years and I would hope that the aims and objectives of this PC continue in like fashion; irrespective of whom is elected in May.

Village Clean up

Once again, the Parish Council organized the village clean up and litter pick. The response was most heartening as well over twenty people of all ages came along to help. The village streets, lanes and Community Centre field were given a thorough clean and many bags of rubbish (including some fly tipping) were collected. The Parish Council is most grateful to all those who came along on a chilly Saturday and also to those many people who quietly, during the year pick up rubbish when out on their walks. It does help to keep Greetham a tidy and attractive village

May I once again remind dog owners to ensure that dog litter bins are used, or that dog waste is taken home. Most owners are, of course, responsible people but the amount of dog litter in the lanes and fields is still a cause for concern.

Peter Hitchcox

COMING EVENTS

More Live Theatre events at the Community Centre



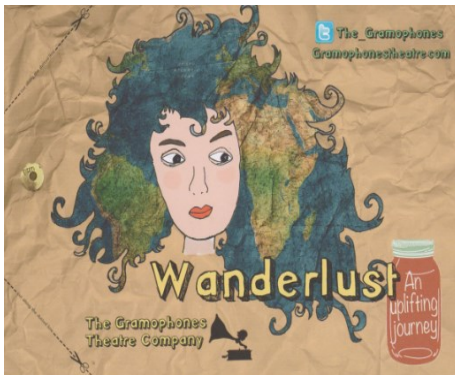
Friday May 8th

Avanti and Artizani
6 Impossible Things

Two experienced performers present the show in a relaxed cabaret style. The show features revolving stage, conjuring, acrobatics, live music etc. etc.

7.30 pm, doors open 6.30 pm
£9 adult, £25 family ticket, £4 child

***Tickets for both events from Helen McGarrigle 01572 812804
helenmcgarrigle@yahoo.co.uk***



Saturday June 12th

The Gramophones Theatre Co
Wanderlust

A touching assortment of remarkable stories collected from people all over Britain. Tales told with a twist, live music and magic.. Age 8+

7.30 pm, doors open 6.30 pm
£9 adult, £25 family ticket, £4 child

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

DOES GOD EXIST?

☐ YES
☐ NO
☐ PROBABLY



The **Alpha Course** will be starting in **Greetham** at 7.30pm
on Wednesday 29th April at 3, Great Lane.

Bring along a friend or family member who might be interested.

The 10 week Alpha Course is a fun, friendly way to find out what
the Christian faith is all about.

To find out more or to book places, please contact Cathy Dyson

01572 812497 07970568305

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Ask your family and friends to sponsor you.

Contact Andrew Davidson on

01536 770242

or email wateraidrutlandgroup@gmail.com

for an entry form.

Thanks to Judy Chapman who has generously sponsored this edition.

*I would like to take this opportunity, through the newsletter,
to say a big THANK YOU to those villagers, friends and family
who voted for me and supported me in my role as a Parish
Councillor over the last sixteen years. It is with regret that,
due to family commitments, I will not be standing for re-
election and would like to wish the new Parish Council every
success in their term of office.*

*Lastly but not least my representation for the Parish Council
on the Community Centre Committee will also come to an
end. I wish the committee all the best for the future - keep up
the good work! Judy Chapman*

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MAY NEWSLETTER

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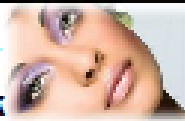
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Exton and Greetham CE Primary School



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A Growing Roll

Word is getting out! We may be a small school, but we are gradually growing. The number of children on roll has risen by nearly 20% since September and we have welcomed seven new children to the school across the age groups.

A Growing Curriculum

The new National Curriculum has given us the opportunity to explore new ways of learning, and some new subjects too. We are teaching Latin at KS2, which the children are really enjoying. As the basis for so many languages, including our own, it gives our children a firm base on which to plant future language learning.

A Growing Experience

At Exton we try to offer as many different experiences as possible. This term we have been out playing basketball, playing netball, running cross country and will next week be taking part in the Spotlight Dance Showcase. Musically, Mr McClure visits offering music lessons on a range of instruments, as well as the singing we get every day in school. We take full advantage of our beautiful grounds too.

Exton & Greetham CE Primary School
Explore & Grow

Red Nose Day

The school was a riot of red on Friday 13th March as we raised money for Comic Relief.

Activities organised by our children's council included making your face 'funny for money', guess the number of sweets in the jar, and a funniest joke competition.

It always impresses me how keen the children are to raise money for those less fortunate than ourselves. For a small school we are very pleased to have raised the grand total of £85.24.

We keep our website, www.extonschool.co.uk, up to date and you can read more about our activities and see pictures in the 'Latest News' section. Visitors are always welcome to the school.