## GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2019 www.greethamrutland.com



Season's Greetings to you all Peter and Clare Hitchcox and family
Pamels and Barry Bell
Elaine and David Tidd

CHRISTMAS
and
NEW YEAR
greetings
from

r and Clare Hitchcox and fan
Pamels and Barry Bell
Elaine and David Tidd
Alex and Barbara Watt
Chris Cassady
Chris and Simon Rigby
Marigold Lamin
Pat Evans and family
Allan and Carol Freeman
Diane and John Creasey
Lesley and Roy Wickes
Helen and Grahame Cluley

Darren and Claire Hutching Pete and Ande, Northbrook Close Paul, Ruth, Lucy, Chris and Catherine Hinch Hazel and Frank Hinch Karen and Rob Seer Robert and Helen MacLeod Smith Tessie Evison Mo and Trevor Hubbert Carol, and Martin Fairbairn Richard Cumming Lorraine, Steve and family Chris and Nigel Parkin and family Gillian, Stephan, Kieran, and Cormac Calnan Tenny Smith Lorraine, Steve and family Wanda Brown, Nicole and James Neil and Glynis Sellars Merv and Sue Bamber Peggie Butcher Dick, Alison and Ken Brett

A donation has been made to charity in lieu of sending cards around the village. - including around £121 donated at the Christmas Cancer Lunch.

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## Greetham Community Centre Fun-Family-Friends

# The committee would like to thank the community for their support during 2018 and wishing each and every one a prosperous New Year

## What's On !!

Monday	Pilates	9.00 am
	Slimming World	5.30 pm 7.30 pm
Tuesday	Fitness Group	6.30 pm
Wednesday		
Thursday	Meet 'em in Greeth- am coffee morning	10.00 am
	Badminton	7.30 pm
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday		

## **Looking Ahead**

Funk, Soul, Rhythm & Blues night – 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019

## Planning an Event?

#### contact us

www.greethamrutland.com/community-centre Find us on facebook

#### 01572 812389 or mobile 07500 079780

## Alternatively email us at bookgreetham@gmx.com

Rates per hour:-

Winter rate to apply from 1st October to 31st May: to include heating.

Whole facility

Summer Rate Residents £20.00, Non-Residents £22.00

Winter Rate Residents £23.00 Non-Resident £25.00

Main Hall

Summer Rate Residents £13.00, Non-residents £16.00

Winter Rate (inclusive of Heating), Residents £16.00 ,Non-Residents £19.00

Main Hall with bar plus £4.00 per hour

#### Meeting Room

Summer Rate Residents £10.00 ,Non-Residents £12.00 ,Winter Rates (inclusive of Heating) Residents £12.00 Non-Residents £14.00

#### Club Room

Inclusive of Bar Summer Rate Residents £13.00 Non-Residents £15.00 Winter Rates (inclusive of Heating) Residents £14.00 Non-Residents £17.00

Youth Rate/ Sports Rate Per hour main hall or club room for meetings. £5.00 Plus heating/fuel charges where appropriate.

<u>Kitchen</u> Fuel charge – preparation of:- Tea/ Coffee/ hot beverages (single charge applies) £2.50 Reheating pre-prepared food £5.00 Preparation and cooking of food (single charge applies) £10.00

<u>Hire of stage</u> £25.00

<u>Playing Fields Football pitch</u> £30.00 - to include use of changing rooms and showers Youth Rate £15.00

Caravans £7.00 per van per night (field only) Tents £5.00 per van per night (as part of an organisation only



#### COMING EVENTS IN DECEMBER

Fri 21st Children's Christmas Party
Sun 23rd Greetham Church 9.30am Morning Praise
Village Quiz Wheatsheaf 8pm
Mon 24th Greetham Church Midnight Service 11.30pm

Mon 31st New Years Eve Party

#### COMING EVENTS IN JANUARY

Tues 1st New Year's Day walk

Sun 6th Greetham Church 8.00 Holy Communion

9.30am Morning Worship

Mon 7th Greetham Good Neighbours AGM

Wed 9th Parish Council

Sun 13th Greetham Church 9.30am Morning Worship with

breakfast from 9am

Tue 15th Mobile library

Mon 14th WI

Sun 20th Greetham Church 9.30am Morning Praise

WI Soups and Sweets

Village Quiz Wheatsheaf 8pm

Last day for items for February newsletter

Sat 26th Institution and Induction of Rev A Oram Cottesmore 1500

Sun 27th 10.30 Benefice Holy Communion Cottesmore Free Bowls' session

Tues 29th Mobile library

#### New Year's Day walk

The Annual New Year's Day Walk from the Wheatsheaf to the Plough will depart from the Wheatsheaf at 11.00am on the 1st January 2019 after the now customary mulled wine and/or coffee. The party will proceed to the Plough via Fort Henry in a well disciplined manner (note, this is not a race). On arrival at the Plough a well deserved Bacon Buttie will be available to all walkers to re-vitalise failing energy levels for the year that lies ahead. Our thanks to Carol and Scott at the Wheatsheaf and Karen and Mark at the Plough for all their efforts in making this event the success its been in the past. Everyone welcome, including dogs on a lead.

#### **Greetham Good Neighbours**

Greetham Good Neighbour Scheme AGM 7<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm. Please contact Francis Marshall 01572724687 for more details.

#### Parish Council

The next General Meeting will be convened on Wednesday January 9th 2018 at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 19.30hrs. Correspondence will be available before the meeting from 19.20 hrs.

#### WI

The next Meeting is on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 7.45 at The Community Centre. 'A Passion for India' - Carol Fairbairn will talk about her recent trip to India.

## 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



20<sup>th</sup> January 2019 12.30 for 1.00pm Greetham Community Centre

Tickets
Adults £8.00
Children £5.00
Family ticket £24.00
(2 adults + 2 children)



For tickets please contact Helen McGarrigle 01572 812804



## GREETHAM BOWLS CLUB

We are in danger of closing and are looking for new members.

If you have ever wanted to try bowls please come along to our INDOOR sessions at Greetham Community Centre 2-4pm

27th January

17th February

24th February

17th March

24th March

There will be training provided and woods to practice with

#### Rutland Mobile Library in Greetham

Tuesday January 15th and 29th. Times are approximate Oakham Road Lock's Close 12.05—12.25

Main Street Bridge Lane 12.30 - 12.50

For information please contact Oakham Library 01572 72291



#### Greetham Monthly Sunday Quiz

At 'The Wheatsheaf' on Sunday January 20th at 8pm. Teams of four please. £1 per person entry (to include a



light snack) with the money going to good causes - also a lucrative cash snowball.

#### **New Rector**

Our new Rector, Rev Anthony Oram, will be installed and inducted at Cottesmore Church on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 3.00pm and his first service will be a Benefice Holy Communion on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January also at Cottesmore. Everyone is most welcome at both of these events.

#### **REVIEWS**

## HOPE AGAINST CANCER CHRISTMAS LUNCH - Sunday 25th November 2018

I am pleased to say that a total of £774.00 was raised, well done Greetham again.

I couldn't do it without my 'Team' of helpers and many thanks for all the raffle prizes and additional donations.

Once again thank you, wishing everyone a Happy Christmas and best wishes for 2019

Sally Cluley

#### **GENERAL**

#### 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.

#### 100 Club 2019

For newcomers to Greetham the 100 club is a church fundraiser in which there is a monthly draw with 4 cash prizes each month. In 2108 we were able to raise over £1200. Subscriptions are due in January and remain unchanged at £12 per annum. Collectors will be coming round in the New Year and new subscribers are always welcome. If you would like to join please call me on 812852.

Helen Macleod-Smith

#### Fix the Roof Update

Fundraising is progressing steadily and we are still awaiting the outcome of a couple of significant grant applications. The fund now stands at £48,500 so we need another c£20,000. Rutland Big Band entertained us with a great concert in the church on Dec 3rd featuring Roo Douglas and Darren Hutchins as a guest vocalist. Another £750 was added to the fund and the Band will be back next year.

We are very grateful to Gill and Pauline for organising the Living Advent Calendar in aid of the Church Roof Fund. What a great idea and everyone is enjoying the daily reveal, not to mention mulled wine/cider and nibbles. There will be another Numbers guiz in the spring in time for Easter.

It's not too late to sponsor a square yard of roof - there are envelopes in the shop if you would like to do so.

Meanwhile THANK YOU to everyone for supporting this important village project.

#### PARISH COUNCIL

#### Greetham Parish Council Agenda December 12th 2018 Greetham Community Centre @7.30 pm

Members: Mr K. Edward (Chair); Mrs J. Denyer (Vice- Chair); Mr P. Hitchcox (PH); Mr D. Hodson (DH); Mrs A. Jenkins (AJ); Dr R. Oakes (RO), Mr Cooper (MC); Mr R. Kinchen (RK)

Councillor Nick Begy (NB).

In attendance: 9 members of the public

Some of the points raised by the public: Farmer's viewpoints re issues with mud on roads. Overflights of aircraft. Drain blockages. Use of CC field. Donation board at CC. Bridge Lane planning concerns and Permanent Christmas Tree on green.

1 Apologies for absence.

Mr P Hitchcox: Mrs A. Jenkins. Resignation received from Mr M. Cooper (this position will not be replaced as the elections are in May)

2 Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda and dispensations granted None given

3 Approval of minutes from 14<sup>TH</sup> November

Proposed: RK Seconded: DH Carried unanimously

4 Matters arising

Ongoing:

Blocked drains – Stretton Road and rest of village. Action: Ward Member to contact RCC

Response from RCC regarding Church Lane at bottom of Shepherds Lane and corner with Main Street where flooding takes place. As above.

Plaques for benches. In hand.

Unmarked graves update. All resolved.

Feedback from Lovell's meeting regarding tree planting. Following a meeting at Lovell's work has commenced. This is being monitored by the Tree Warden. Burial Ground water. This has now been turned off to prevent issues with freezing.

5 Finance

For information:

Clerks salary: £166.53

Poppies: £80 Defib approx. £25

Seasonal expenditure: £40

For approval:

Parish council Newsletter. Three guotes received.

£380. (Local) includes artwork Quoin Print. £300. (Local) includes artwork Think Digital. Network Print and Design. £245 (in Yorkshire) includes artwork

Accept Think Digital print quote proposed: JD Seconded: DH Carried unanimously Laptop: £400 approx. Replacement lap top for Clerk. Proposed: KE Seconded: RK

Carried unanimously

Budget requirements for 2019. All Councillors are requested to submit financial requirements, in advance of the next meeting, for Focus Group commitments in 2019.

6 Planning – all planning applications can be accessed on the RCC website

Tree and hedge planning – Lovells. Covered in Matters Arising.

2018/1209/CAT Crown trees

3, Main Street.

Tree Warden report recommends support for this application.

Proposed: RK Seconded: RO Carried unanimously

#### 2018/237/LBA

#### 19. Main Street

PROPOSAL: Removal of internal walls between back hallway, old utility area, cupboard and garden room to make one large space. Removal of ceiling in the old utility area, hallway and garden room to expose roof structure. Support walls and ceilings following the removal of walls with RSJ and purlings

Planning Focus Group report recommends support for this application.

Proposed: RK Seconded:

Update re dangerous roof – Main Street. No response has been received from the report of this to RCC. Action: Ward MemberJD Carried unanimously

#### 7 Road conditions

Following beet harvesting in November Main Street was heavily covered in mud. Two accidents occurred as a consequence. RCC cleaned the road three times. Mud still remains for a portion of the road from Church Lane to The Old Post Office. Action: Ward Member to liaise with RCC.

#### 8 Focus groups.

Terms of Membership; all volunteers and P.C's to sign.

Mission statements for each focus group received.

#### Footpath and Clean Up Focus Group

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The Focus Group will regularly monitor the Greetham Footpaths, to ensure they are in good order and report any issues to RCC.

To organise village clean ups every 6 months.

#### TRAFFIC FOCUS GROUP MISSION STATEMENT

The Focus Group will:-

- 1. Lobby RCC to install average/or fixed speed cameras on Main Street.
- 2. Lobby for the restriction of HGV's through the village.
- 3. The group will investigate the possibility of monitoring and measuring the air quality, pollution noise and vibration on Main Street.
- 4. The group strongly advocates the re-instatement of a plan for a future by-pass around Greetham and Cottesmore

#### Jacobs Well and Tourism Mission Statement

- 1. To restore Jacob's Well to good condition in the next three years.
- 2. To provide tourist information boards at three locations around the village in the next two years.

#### Benches FOCUS GROUP MISSION STATEMENT

- 1. To look at possibilities for placing more benches within the parish
- 2. To ensure that current benches and seats are properly and regularly maintained Trees FOCUS GROUP MISSION STATEMENT
- 1. To continue -with support of RCC Forestry Officer-the current planting scheme to extend trees along the B668 towards Cottesmore and the A1
- 2 To seek out appropriate places within the parish to develop tree and hedge planting to benefit the environment and enhance our parish

#### **Planning Focus Group Mission Statement**

To provide appropriate information and recommendations on significant Planning applications to the full Parish Council

Identification of Coordinator for each group, selected with responsibility for presenting brief notes at meetings is required for the next meeting.

Traffic focus group information – Local Transport plan 4 response. Distributed to Councillors.

#### 9 Local Plan/ Neighbourhood Plan

St George's Barracks. Confirmation of final opinion of Greetham Parish Council.

#### 10 Community Centre

Request from GPC for protocol on use of CCTV.

Willow tunnel to be planted near the Copse..

Christmas tree on Village Green. A risk assessment has been submitted to GPC and monitoring will take place daily.

#### Welcome Pack

Map – division of village for delivery of welcome Pack distributed.

This will be amended to show RO as responsible for Lovells Estate (Begy Gardens)

#### 12 Parish Council Magazine

All Councillors are thanked for their input. This is now ready for printing. Volunteers are required for delivery

#### 13 Correspondence and Communication

Oak House - communication regarding RCC commitment to maintain the barrier until the path is widened

Energy Advise Centre (suggested method of publishing includes Facebook and the Noticeboard)

Street lighting proposed costs. Costs will increase in 2019. Please report any lights not working through the RCC website.

Request for defib training. Heartbeat contacted to arrange this.

#### 14 Reports from outside bodies

Parish Forum – 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. Report from previous meeting received and circulated. Exton and Greetham School lunch and concert both attended. GPC would like to express congratulations to the school.

#### 15 Items for a future agenda

#### 16 Date of next meeting and AGM

Wednesday January 9th 2019

Propose May AGM date 2019 to be changed to accommodate elections

#### Tree Planting

With the kind co-operation of Cottesmore and Greetham Parish Councils, Rutland County Council have recently planted hornbeam and walnut trees along the south side of the B668. It is hoped to continue this line of trees towards Cottesmore as part of the County Council's future tree planting programme.

I have made several visits to Lovells at Begy Gardens with officers from the County Council to ensure that the hedge unlawfully removed several years ago from the western boundary of the site is re-instated. Lovells has promised that this will be done before Christmas. We have also asked them to plant the appropriate trees as marked on their site plan and hopefully this will be carried out.

Peter Hitchcox Tree Warden

#### STAY WARM FOR LESS THIS WINTER

Rutland County Council is backing a new energy saving advice service, Local Energy Advice Programme (LEAP).

LEAP offers free in-home visits to any household already in or at risk of fuel poverty. Rutland residents receiving government benefits or allowances and those who meet certain health and vulnerability criteria may also be eligible.

The Council wants to ensure that all households are prepared for cold temperatures this winter. Cold weather can result in expensive electricity bills and increase the risk of a person experiencing health problems.

During a home visit, a LEAP Home Energy Advisor offers energy saving guidance and can install free energy saving measures such as LED light bulbs and draught-proofing. The advisors can also help people find funding for further energy saving home improvements and offer advice on energy tariffs.

Councillor Alan Walters, Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health, says: "Very cold weather can affect anyone, but you should take extra care if you're 65 or older, have a disability or have a long-term health condition, such as heart, lung or kidney disease. Cold weather can also affect people with mental health conditions, such as depression and dementia.

"LEAP is an excellent and free service that helps people to keep their homes warm and reduce their outgoings without costing them any money. I'd encourage all local residents to get in touch and arrange a home visit."

In addition to LEAP, the Council is urging local residents to seek advice from other official resources on increasing the resilience of their homes this winter.

The 'improving housing standards' section of the Council's website provides energy saving advice with links to other free re-

sources. Energy conservation organisation Energy Saving Trust also provides a wide range of energy advice on its website. Advice on how to find possible energy grants and ways to improve your energy efficiency is available on the 'energy grants calculator' section of the Gov uk website

Cllr Walters added: "It's important to stay warm and to keep a close eye on friends and family members who may struggle if the weather gets really cold – particularly if they're elderly. Visit them regularly to make sure they're warm enough, especially at night, and have stocks of food and medicines. We're here to help if you're worried about a relative or elderly neighbour so contact us straight away if you have any concerns."

To report any concerns about an adult in Rutland, please contact Rutland County Council straight by calling: 01572 758 341.

To find out if you're eligible for the services offered by LEAP, call 0800 060 7567, email <u>LEAP@agilityeco.co.uk</u> or visit <u>www.applyforleap.org.uk</u>.

#### **FOR YOUR DIARIES**

## Greetham Comedy night Saturday 23rd March

Doors open at 6.30pm, full bar and food on sale 4 professional comedians booked

Tickets available from Greetham Village Shop, The Plough & The Wheatsheaf from 2<sup>nd</sup> January. £15 per person, early bird price of £12 for purchases by 28<sup>th</sup> February



Tables can be booked in advance on table bookings of 8 or more

For more information call Stephen Calnan on 01572 813943 Stephen.calnan@btinternet.com

#### **FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER**

Please send details of all forthcoming events to Clare Hitchcox

#### by Sun January 20th please

The Walnuts, 69 Main Street, Greetham. LE15 7NJ email: greethamnews@aol.com

### The Greetham Advertiser

Promoting local businesses, tradesmen, handymen and others.

To advertise your services here please contact Pauline Kelly 07977575056

### Greetham Good Neighbour Scheme



For HELP just call 07763 750499 or e-mail

Greethamgns@hotmail.com

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### MONDAY 5.30pm and 7.30pm

#### Greetham

Greetham Community Centre, Great Lane, Greetham, Nr Oakham LE15 7NG Tel: Sally 07437 010235

slimmingworld.co.uk





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## PLOUGH

GREETHAM in RUTLAND

2 courses £15, 3 courses £19 Mon - Fri Lunch times 12-2

> Dine for £9 6-9pm Mon - Homemade pie Weds - Grill night Friday - Fish and chips

New tea room in a pub open daily

Open all day weds to Sunday

Please note we are closed Tuesday lunch times



23 Main Street, Greetham Oakham Rutland LE15 7NJ **01572 813613** <u>www.th</u>e-plough-greetham.co.uk



# Pie, Pud & a Party

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January

£15<sub>m</sub>

Two course meal and disco

To book, contact us on 01780 460444 or info@greethamvalley.co.uk

Greetham Valley, Wood Lane, Greetham, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 7SN

www.greethamvalley.co.uk



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

Serving the communities of Greetham and Exton

## Happiness is...



As I write, we have just finished our Nativity and Pantomime performances for another year. As always, our young actors and actresses did a fantastic job. The pantomime finished with a rendition of 'Happiness' – originally sung by Ken Dodd. You can't help but smile when you hear this song!

Happiness is one of our school values, chosen by the school community. It is lovely to walk through the school on any day of the week and see the children happily engaged in their learning, and at playtimes and lunchtimes, playing happily together. A prospective parent who recently visited the school commented on how happy our school is.

As we move into 2019, we hope that everyone in the community has a very happy new year. Please visit the school website to find out more about our happy school.

School website: www.extonschool.co.uk

Phone: 01572 812380 to arrange a visit.