

# GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## MARCH 2018 [www.greethamrutland.com](http://www.greethamrutland.com)

GCC COMMITTEE PROUDLY PRESENTS...

# GREETHAM'S COMEDY EVENING!

4 Professional funny men

**Saturday 24 March 18**

Doors open at 7pm

**£12 Per Person**  
(Early Bird £10 each by 28<sup>th</sup> Feb, on the night £15 if any left)



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Food and drink on sale

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All profits will be invested into Greetham's Community Centre & Playground project!

# COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

*Join your community café, 10:00 - 12:00*

*Ceilidh – a very entertaining night with about 70 people attending. It was great to see the young girls join in. Many thanks to McGoo who, as always, was superb.*

## *Comedy Night*



*Sold Out*

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# Summer Ball

*Tables for the Summer Ball are going really well.*

*Don't miss out – let me know if you want to join us.*

*Reserve either a table of 10 (subject to availability- selling fast) or individual tickets.*

*Ring Mo on 813061*

## Planning an Event?

### Contact us

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## **COMING EVENTS IN MARCH**

Thu 1st Mobile Library  
 Sun 4th Greetham Church said Communion 8am  
           Greetham Church 9.30am Morning Worship  
           Village Quiz Wheatsheaf 8pm  
 Mon 5th Parish Council meeting 7.30pm  
 Wed 7th Oak House Lunch  
 Sun 11th Greetham Church 9.30am Morning Worship with break  
           fast  
 Mon 12th WI  
 Thu 15th Mobile library  
 Sun 18th Greetham Church Morning Praise 9.30am  
 Tues 20th **Last day for newsletter items for April newsletter**  
 Sat 24th Greetham Comedy Night **SOLD OUT**  
 Sun 25th Greetham Church 9.30am Holy Communion  
 Thu 29th Mobile library

### ***Rutland Mobile Library in Greetham***

Thursday March 1st, 15th and 29th. 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 72291



### ***Parish Council***

The next General Meeting will be convened on Monday March 5th 2018 at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 19.30hrs. Correspondence will be available before the meeting from 19.20 hrs.

### ***Oak House lunch***

Our Oak House Over 60s Lunch Club will be on Wednesday 7th March - 1.15pm arrival. Two courses for £7.50. *'few spaces available, please book in advance, fabulous 2-course meal for £7.50 per person'. 'Must ring to reserve on 01572 812647'.*



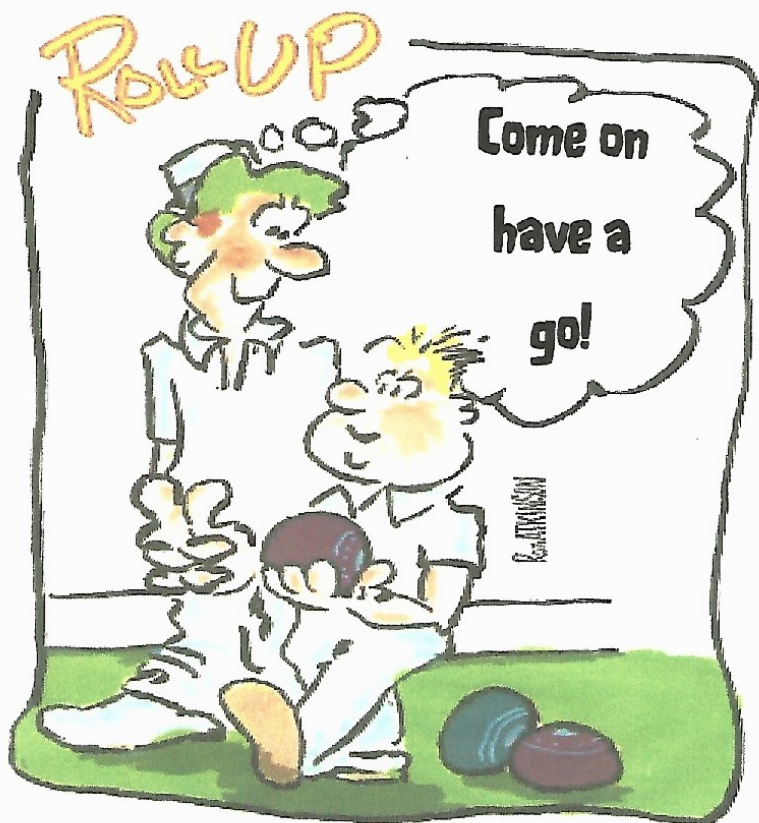
### ***Greetham Monthly Sunday Quiz***

At 'The Wheatsheaf' on Sunday March 4th 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.



### ***WI***

The next meeting will be held on Monday March 12<sup>th</sup>. Guy Hodgson (Stipendary Magistrate) will give a talk 'Tales of the unexpected'.



## **Greetham Bowls Club**

**We are looking for Ladies, Gentlemen, Boys and Girls of all ages to join us so we are holding Sunday afternoon free 'taster' bowling sessions at the Community Centre on February 4th, 11th 18th & 25th & March 11th 18th from 2.00 - 4.00pm**

## REVIEWS

### ***Greetham Women's' Institute Report of Meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018***

Twenty five members and one guest were present for the meeting. A birthday posy was presented to Gill Hodson. Our Speaker was Malcolm Britton who entertained us with an interesting, informative and at times humorous account of the history of Brooksby village. It appears that there has been a settlement in Brooksby from pre-historic times. Proof of this was found in the quarry on an archaeological dig. We were then taken through time to a Danish settlement right up to the present day. Brooksby Hall has a very rich history and was owned by the Villiers family from 1278. In 1592 it was owned by the 1<sup>st</sup> Duke of Buckingham, who it was said had the ear of King James 1<sup>st</sup> until he met an untimely end when he was murdered. The Villiers family resided in the hall for 500 years until 1711/12 when the line died out with the death of William and Anne Villiers. Malcolm explained to us that the uncertainty of the year was due to the changes made in the calendar at that time. We were also informed that the Villiers had many descendants and can claim 16 British Prime Ministers as descendants. These include Anthony Eden, Sir Alec Douglas Hume, Winston Churchill, and David Cameron to name but a few. This impressive heritage did not end there, apparently the Spencer family, Princess Diana, The Queen Mother and consequently our present royal family can all be traced back to the Villiers line. The Hall then became home to various families and it was used a great deal as a hunting lodge. In this period it is claimed that Lord Cardigan of the Charge of the Light Brigade fame resided in the Hall. To be followed in time by "Beatty of Brooksby" (so named by the people) who received the German surrender at the Battle of Jutland and whose flag hangs in Brooksby Church. There is also a bronze bust of him in the church. The Hall had many uses as a hospital, school, and finally as an agricultural college which today has in excess of 600 pupils. Tea Hostesses were Hazel Hinch and Gill Hodson. Vote of Thanks was given by Pat Kenworthy. Our next meeting is on 12<sup>th</sup> March. Tales of the unexpected by Guy Hodgson. Guests are always welcome.

### ***WI Soups and Sweets***

The WI annual Soups and Sweets event went very well this year. Over 90 people attended and there was a selection of 16 soups and 16 puddings all made by the WI members. It was a wonderful occasion enjoyed by all. We look forward to seeing you next year.

# GENERAL

## ***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.**

## ***Christmas Shoe Box Appeal***

Just to let you know, the boxes that were so lovingly packed before Christmas by so many of you were delivered to Libya. Thank you again for your support to this cause.

Patricia Hagger

## **Fix the Roof!**

Our fabulous historic church of St Mary's is in urgent need of repair. The roof is leaking and we need to replace it. It's not cheap!

We are looking at costs in the region of £80,000 and it is down to us to raise the funds.

When I say "us", I am looking to the wider village, not just the worshipping congregation as most of us use or appreciate the church at some time.

The church fundraising committee are applying for grants, but many require us to have raised half the money ourselves beforehand, so our first target is £40,000. We have raised £18,000 through events and donations and are confident of further grants or loans, but we would welcome your support.

How can you support us?

By direct donation, gift aided if possible.

By attending or helping with fundraising events, (which will be publicised in this newsletter and on the websites, Facebook and posters.)

By helping the fundraising committee directly.

Simply with your best wishes and prayers.

It seems a daunting task, but together and with God's Blessing, we will get there and will preserve our church for many more years to come.

Thank you

Jackie Gauntley for Greetham PCC

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# PARISH COUNCIL

## Greetham Parish Council Minutes February 5th 2018 Greetham Community Centre @7.30 pm

**Members present:** Mrs J. Denyer (Vice- Chair) Mr P. Hitchcox; Mr D Hodson;

Dr R. Oakes; Mrs A. Jenkins; Mrs S. Begy; Mrs R. Marshall (RM)

Members of the public - 6

Crash gates lamp post.

Drains – Thistleton Lane

Burial ground water pipe update.

Pavement and road at quarry

Construction of temporary car park at rear of Northbrook Close.

Builders waste at rear of Northbrook Close

Apologies received from Ward Member.

**1 Apologies for absence** Ken Edward

**2 Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda** None given

**3 Approval of minutes from January 15<sup>th</sup> 2018** Proposed: AJ Second-  
ed: SB Unanimous

**4 Matters arising**

**Ongoing**

Cycle path signage (Ward Member) – For next meeting

Jacob's Well (DH) – A meeting arranged to review the current situation and plan for the future. Update for next meeting. DH

New quotes for lawnmower insurance. A cheaper quote is not achievable.

Great Lane grit bin. RCC are unable to facilitate this at present but a review is due which may enable GPC to purchase grit for a bin not provided by RCC.

Lane to Burial Ground update. The adoption of the road by RCC requires for it to be kept at a given standard for 2 years.

Street Scene – research ongoing. For a future agenda. (JD)

**5 Finance**

For information:

Water bill (burial ground) £95.47

Playground expenditure:

Dave Green Gardens £200 (£2300 remaining ring fenced)

Instant Eden £15.00. (Fixing new dog waste bin)

Income

£25,000 Playground grant received from RCC

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



## **website**

2018/0037/FUL

PROPOSAL: Change of use of 5.1 acre field for use as a dog walking paddock. The site will be fully enclosed with a 2.1m galvanised mesh panel fence system, powder coated in green and trenched 0.3m underground to ensure no dogs can escape. A 200m<sup>2</sup> tarmac driveway area and a second set of double gates will be added within the hammerhead entrance area.

Land To The North Of Greetham Wood, Stretton Road, Greetham, Rutland

Comments: Support

Proposed: RM Seconded: SB Unanimous

## **7 Focus groups.**

Lighting appraisal. RM

4 places are identified as badly lit in Main Street – outside number 66; outside number 3; outside number 15; and at Locks Close (no pole).

Correspondence received from resident regarding lighting in Church Lane.

GPC are aware of the diverse views regarding additional lighting, including the consideration of light pollution.

Action: Further investigation of areas within the village; identification of key areas and submission of findings to a future meeting. (JD/RM/SB)

Tree focus group (PH) – The RCC Tree Officer is available for a meeting on 22/2/18 at 9.30 to draw up a long term tree planting programme for the village. To be presented to the Parish Council for a decision. Action: Tree focus group.

Traffic focus group (traffic survey NB) Carried forward.

Tourist Signage. Ongoing. SB/ PH to support fact finding.

## **8 Local Plan/ Neighbourhood Plan**

Response to letter to RCC regarding power to Quarry Site. RCC respond that no instruction has been given to Western Power to prepare for electricity provision at the proposed quarry site.

Response from RCC regarding selection of sites anomalies between Cottesmore and Greetham. No response has been received to date.

A letter to RCC regarding allocation of housing to Greetham in comparison to Ketton/ Market Overton / Ryhall/ Whissendine/ Cottesmore/ Langham/ Empingham/ Edith Weston/ Great Casterton is proposed, from the PC Proposed: AJ Seconded: PH Carried unanimously.

Lovell's houses are currently being marketed as being in Cottesmore. GPC will confirm with RCC that the addresses are in Greetham and clarify any post code anomaly.

### **9 Playground Project**

Update.

£25,000 grant received from RCC.

£6738 received from the Lottery Fund, specifically for the under 5's area.

2 remaining grant applications decisions awaited.

### **10 Floods, sewers and surface water / Conservation and environmental issues**

Defra/RCC Environmental Officer update.

An Avian flu update has been provided. Avian flu is confirmed as the cause of some of the duck deaths in Greetham. All requirements by Defra are being conformed to by local farmers. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

There is no evidence of contamination of the stream from any source.

The condition of the road and path outside the quarry is reported as unacceptable. The drains are also blocked by silt in this area. RCC to be contacted. Proposed: SB Seconded: R M Carried unanimously

Communication from a resident concerning high water levels in the stream has been discussed with RCC and attributed to high rainfall.

### **11 Community Centre Update**

RCC confirm that a grant will be considered to support the provision of a new heating system. Quotes are being obtained.

### **12 Boundaries and voting**

There are no changes to Greetham Ward.

The report shows that there is no national guidance on numbers in a ward, the costs involved are not available; there is no obtainable record of decisions.

### **13 Correspondence and Communication**

Lovells parking – Communication and photos from resident. RCC, Lovells, Rutland Police contacted and measures put in place.

LRALC – Data protection. For a future agenda.

LRALC in Uppingham. How local and neighbourhood plans impact. DH to attend.

Church Lane lighting (covered in the agenda)

Grit bins (covered in the agenda)

Bus stop enhancements. RCC require a list of improvements required.

Action: PH to compile and present to the next meeting.

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

Tree Warden – Copse at rear of Northbrook. Forestry Commissioner will

seek appropriate powers to enforce replacement of trees. Tree Warden to update the Forestry Commission on the construction of a parking facility in this place. Clerk to liaise with RCC regarding requirement for planning permission and to report building waste materials left there.

Parish Forum – Barrowden Parish Council have identified an issue with planning control and independent building control being used. It is advocated that pressure is placed on the government to bring these two elements back under one umbrella.

St Georges barracks development update. Plans indicate the development of a 'village' about the size of Uppingham, with substantial quarry workings alongside.

Financial update – Council tax will be rising by 4.9% this year and 5% in subsequent years. This is caused by lack of financial support from central government.

RCC Conservation Officer. Evidence is being compiled of any issues encountered by the lack of a designated Conservation Officer for Rutland.

### **15 Items for a future agenda**

Trees. RO.

Data Protection

Conduct training – LRALC

Surveys

Parking at bus bay.

Review of GPC meeting dates.

Quarry noise.

### **16 Date of next meeting – March 5<sup>th</sup> 2018**

Dates of future meetings –

Tuesday April Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Wednesday May 9<sup>th</sup> – AGM followed by May meeting.

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From Neighbourhood Watch Leicester and the Police

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**MONDAY**  
**5.30pm and 7.30pm**

**Greetham**

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arrange a visit.**