

# GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## MARCH 2019 [www.greethamrutland.com](http://www.greethamrutland.com)

*Nearly Sold Out!*

GCC COMMUNITY CENTRE PROUDLY PRESENTS

# GREETHAM'S COMEDY EVENING!

Saturday 23 March 19

Doors open at 6:30pm

DON'T MISS OUT ON A FANTASTIC  
EVENING OF LAUGHTER BROUGHT TO  
YOU BY 4 PROFESSIONAL COMEDIANS

£15 Per Person

Book 8 or more tickets and reserve a table

Over 16's only, Full Bar including Real Ale

Food available to purchase

TICKETS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM:

The Plough, The Wheatsheaf & Greetham Village Shop

CALL STEPHEN CALNAN ON 01572 813943

All profits will be invested into Greetham's Community Centre, MS & St Mary's Church roof fund.





Greetham Community Centre  
Fun-Family-Friends

*What's On !!*  
**Looking Ahead**

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Slimming World</i>	<i>5.30 pm 7.30 pm</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Fitness Group</i>	<i>6.30 pm</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>		
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Meet 'em in Greeth- am coffee morning</i> <i>Badminton</i>	<i>10.00 am</i>  <i>7.30 pm</i> <i>Every 3rd Thursday</i>
<i>Friday</i>		
<i>Saturday</i>		
<i>Sunday</i>		

***Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Comedy Night***

***Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Bingo - doors open  
6.30pm Eyes Down 7pm***

**We would welcome any Prizes – ring Mo on 813061  
for collection**

# Planning an Event?

## contact us

[www.greethamrutland.com/community-centre](http://www.greethamrutland.com/community-centre)

Find us on facebook

**01572 812389 or mobile 07500 079780**

**Alternatively email us**

**at [bookgreetham@gmx.com](mailto: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.

Kitchen 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

Hire of stage £25.00

Playing Fields Football pitch £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 MARCH**

- Sun 3rd Greetham Church 8.00 Holy Communion (said service)  
 9.30am Morning Worship—informal service  
 Greetham Vikings Petanque Club French Lunch  
 Village Quiz Wheatsheaf 8pm
- Wed 6th Oak House Lunch  
 Greetham Church Ash Wednesday Service 7pm
- Thu 7th Greetham Website Group AGM
- Sun 10th Greetham Church 9.30am Morning Worship with  
 breakfast from 9am
- Mon 11th WI
- Tue 12th Mobile library
- Wed 13th Parish Council
- Sat 16th Village Spring Clean
- Sun 17th Greetham Church 9.30am Morning Praise  
 McGoo at The Wheatsheaf
- Wed 20th Last day for items for March newsletter**
- Sat 23rd Greetham Comedy Night
- Sun 24th Greetham Church 9.30 Holy Communion followed by  
 the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) at 10.45
- Tues 26th Mobile library
- Thur 28th Exton and Greetham School Lenten Community Lunch
- Sun 31st Greetham Church 10.30am Mothering  
 Sunday Benefice Holy Communion



### **Greetham Monthly Sunday Quiz**

At 'The Wheatsheaf' on Sunday March 3rd 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.

### **Oak House lunch**

Our Oak House Over 60s Lunch Club will be on Wednesday 6th 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 Website Group AGM on 7th March 2018**

There will be an AGM for the Greetham Website Group at 7.30pm on 7th March 2019 at the Community Centre

There will be a proposal that:

An approach be made to the Parish Council with a proposal that they take over the management of the website

All residents of Greetham are eligible to attend the meeting and vote on the proposal.

David Hodson (Greetham Website Group Secretary)

01572 813 902

[hodson001@gmail.com](mailto:hodson001@gmail.com)

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The next Meeting is on 11<sup>th</sup> March 7.45 at The Community Centre. 'An introduction to Mindfulness' by Helen Tipper.

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

Tuesday March 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. 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

### ***Parish Council***

The next General Meeting will be convened on Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup> 2018 at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 19.30hrs. Correspondence will be available before the meeting from 19.20 hrs.



### **KEEPING GREETHAM TIDY**

We are having a Village Spring Clean on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

We would love as many people as possible to come and help us clear the village of litter and rubbish.

Equipment and gloves etc. will be provided and we will be meeting at the Community Centre at 10.00 a.m.

You will all be most welcome, so please volunteer and join our group of regulars and get our village back into shape for the spring. We are usually finished by 12.00 latest!

### ***Greetham Comedy night Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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,

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





**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.30pm**

**McGoo** return to the Wheatsheaf, Greetham after a 10-year separation, for a special all singing, all dancing, St. Patrick's Night celebration. All the favourite songs, reels and jigs plus a few new attractions.

**Entry free, but donations to local charities will be expected.**

**Everyone welcome.**

### ***Exton and Greetham School***

The School Lenten Community Lunch will be on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm in the school hall. The cost is £3.50 for bread and soup (our traditional Lenten lunch) and pudding. Please book with the school office. People might also like to join us for our Easter service on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April at Exton Church at 9.30am.

### ***Greetham Vikings Petanque Club***

Thinking about joining us this season?

We have two events in March - we would love to meet you

March 3rd                      French lunch at the Community Centre

**March 12th**

**AGM at the**

**Community Centre**

**Apologies but this had to be changed to a February date**

Look out for posters with further details or contact Peter Hitchcox 812585 or Pat Evans 813448

We are also planning a pre season open day.

## **REVIEWS**

### ***Greetham Women's Institute February 2019***

26 members and 3 guests were present at our February meeting, with apologies for absence from Hazel, May, Pat Kenworthy, Lorraine, Cathy, Sue Bamber, Janet Bianchi and Janet Dandeker. Tea hostesses were Chris Rigby and Jane Denyer. A Birthday Posy was given to Gill. Katie Crowe was our speaker. She is a style and image consultant and gave us a lively and very enlightening talk on "Wardrobe Detox". She told us that on average most women wear only 20% of their wardrobe 80% of the time. She told us how to start by sending to the charity shop those new items we have worn only once (or not at all) in the last year and those old items which are never worn but we think we might one day. Then decide about the rest. Try on each remaining item and answer "The Four F's" for it. Does it fit, flatter, feel good have a useful function in our lives? Keep items for which all four are "yes" and throw those which do not fit or flatter. Others are "maybes" for which you "Shop Your Wardrobe". This means you try putting items together; you might well find surprising combinations which you give you whole new outfits. Make particular use of your "wardrobe heroes", that handful of

items which you really enjoy wearing. Finally, Katie introduced us to the way to decide what sort of colours suit us. It was an interesting and entertaining talk and we now have to raise the energy to tackle those wardrobes! Next month's meeting on Monday, 11th March will be Helen Tipper "An Introduction to Mindfulness".

### ***Fix the Roof Update***

We have been greatly encouraged by the support we have received from the village in raising funds to repair the nave roof of our beautiful village church. We have raised £34,500 through donations, events and a loan from the Diocese and have secured a further £16,500 in grants. That means we are £51,000 towards our target of £66,000. Thank you to all who have supported us in whatever way. We have three further grant applications being considered so let's pray at least one of them is successful.

This month we will have another mind-stretching numbers quiz for you to enjoy and some of the proceeds from the comedy evening will also come to the roof fund so thank you to the organisers of that.

## **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.**

### ***Neighbourhood Watch***

A resident of a nearby village has been SCAMMED.

If you are aware of anyone who may be a become a victim of such a crime, please ensure that they understand this message.

*Message from Beat officer:*

*Dear all,*

*I have been contacted by a resident of Whissendine today to inform me of a current scam that sadly affected a resident of the village.*

*Contact has been made by phone by the suspects stating that they are police officers and making the enquiries about the victim's bank and fraudulent money they are issuing to their customers. The suspects are then asking for the victims to go to their bank and withdraw large amounts of cash so that the police can prove the bank is issuing fraudulent money to their customers. The suspects will then attend the home address and collect the cash and state that this is for evidence.*

*Please can I ask that you spread the word that this is a SCAM and that no Police Force would ask a member of the public to help them with this type of enquiry nor take CASH from them.*

*Many thanks*

Laurie  
PC 1742 Appleton

*On the 13/02/2019 a Rutland resident received a call from the suspect purporting to be a Police Officer. The suspect advised the victim they were working on a fraud case concerning the victim's bank account and requested assistance with an investigation. The victim was then asked to withdraw a large sum of money from their bank account to be sent for forensic analysis. The victim withdrew the money and was given a password and told to go home and await the arrival of an Officer. An hour and half later a black male aged between 22 – 30 years old with plaited pointy hair, smartly dressed wearing a suit, tie and long coat arrived at the victim's house and said he was from the collection agency and gave a password previously given. The male was then given the money. No ID was shown. No vehicle was sighted. The person that previously called also said the victim would receive a refund for the taxi fare to the bank and a £500 reward for their assistance, later that evening.*

*The Police will never ask for money to be withdrawn/handed over to assist with an investigation.*

*There are currently no identifiable suspects and enquiries are currently ongoing. If anyone has any information please call 101 quoting 19000079339.*

**Message Sent By**

*Will Ryan (Police, Enquiry Officer, Rutland)*

**Community Centre Friends**

A number of people in the village have offered to occasionally help with activities at the Community Centre.

We are now setting up a system of being able to make requests for help for specific activities as they arise.

e.g. setting up before an event, helping during an event with refreshments, tidying away after an event, occasionally helping to tidy up the grounds, helping to run an event, etc.

When an occasion arises where help is required, a message will be sent out by either WhatsApp or e-mail.

The intention is that people will only respond if they want to help with this specific activity and there will be absolutely no pressure to do so. If you do not want to help just ignore the message.

If you are willing to be added to the list of potential helpers, please e-mail [hodson001@gmail.com](mailto:hodson001@gmail.com), with your name, mobile telephone number, e-mail address and your permission for the Community Centre to communicate with you as above.

We have a great community spirit in Greetham. Please help us to keep it going.

David Hodson 01572 813 902

[hodson001@gmail.com](mailto:hodson001@gmail.com)



## ***Dog Poo!***

A plea has been put out for all dog owners to be particularly vigilant in cleaning up after their dogs - particularly in the areas around the bus stops where young children will be congregating while waiting for the school bus.

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

**Greetham Parish Council inutes February 13th 2019**

**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 R. Kinchen (RK)

Ward Councillor: Nick Begy

In attendance: 17 members of the public

Points raised: Land to the rear of Northbrook ; Church Lane (pot holes)

(action:NB); car parking on corner of Church Lane and cones ( action: NB);

Church Lane signage (action: NB); drains; Church Lane pot holes (action: NB); chicane in Main Street.

Narrowing of road –

Update from ward Councillor – the law is that this must be looked into.

**1 Apologies for absence.** Roger Oakes

**2 Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda and dispensations granted** Ann Jenkins – planning

**3 Approval of minutes from January 9<sup>th</sup> 2019** Proposed: JD Seconded: DH

### **Matters arising**

#### **Ongoing:**

Blocked drains – feedback. Following investigations RCC report a reduced capacity in Main Street and plan to repair in April. The drains and path at the quarry require re-reporting. Action: NB

Update on Church Lane street light. Job completed.

Lovell's - tree planting update. PH has visited and reports there are insufficient trees replanted. Only 12 in situ. Action: for March agenda.

Letter to Chief Constable. No reply received as yet. PH to phone. NB to email.

### **5 Finance**

Monitoring of incomings and outgoings (Finance) process.

Financial year at end of April. Monthly figures will be prepared by DH.

For information:

Clerks salary: £166.53

Litter bin: £287.02

For approval:

Annual street lighting £358.30 proposed DH Seconded: PH

Approval of final costs for Clerk's computer. Propose £650 KE / RK

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

Update:

Update re dangerous roof – Main Street. The owners will be contacted by RCC Officers as this is considered dangerous.

Bridge Lane planning query. This has been addressed by the Enforcement Officer who reports that no further action is required.

2018/1240/CAT. Bridge Lane. Robinia tree crown reduction. Approved.

Ram Jam extension to shop. Approved.

For approval:

2019/0111/CAT. 3, Main Street. Fell one lime tree. Tree warden has no objection.

GPC will report their agreement to RCC planning.

2019/0031/CAT Larkrise. 38, Church Lane. Walnut tree – reduce height by 6 metres and remove overhanging branches up to 7 metres. The tree warden reports no objection. GPC will report their agreement to RCC planning.

2018/1333/FUL Erection of 4 detached dwellings. Land to the rear of Northbrook Close.

GPC response to be placed on RCC website (attached as separate document)

GPC request that RCC are addressed regarding their input into planning permission.

Retrospective approval of solar array Main Street

## **7 Road conditions**

Mud on Main Street. Update.

A permanent chicane is now installed at Pond Lane. Positive feedback received from Oak House. RCC report that one bollard is already damaged, this was observed by a member of the public. GPC welcome this safety measure for the residents of Oak House.

Action: Review priority for another month. Request to RCC for monitoring by CCTV.

Parking restriction outside shop. This does impact on the priority for the chicane.

## **8 Standing Orders**

*Proposal:* Greetham Parish Council adopts an Equality Policy and Safeguarding Policy as per drafts circulated to Parish Councillors with the Agenda.

Safeguarding Policy Proposed: KE Seconded: PH

Equality Policy: Proposed: AJ Seconded: JD

## **9 Focus groups and committees**

**Terms of Membership; all volunteers and P.Cs to sign. To be collected by JD and collated by Clerk. Forms available at the meeting.**

**Litter pick focus group:** Propose a village litter pick on March 16<sup>th</sup>. 10.00 am at Community Centre.

## **Community Centre Focus Group**

Proposal to co-opt Linda Edward as a member of the public on the Community Centre focus group. Proposed: JD Seconded: AJ

Grant application to RCC. Update. GPC have submitted an application to RCC for a grant to support refurbishment at the Community Centre

## **10 Local Plan/ Neighbourhood Plan**

Feedback from RCC meeting regarding ST George's barracks.

The application to apply for the Hif bid was agreed by 12 votes to 10.

NB will supply the date for the next draft of the Neighbourhood Plan ?

## **11 Community Centre**

CCTV update on protocol. Advice will be sought from the Rutland Police before this is completed and presented to the CC Committee for adoption.

Events – Banana Band Feb 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **12 Welcome Pack Great Lane. (DH)**

**13 Parish Council Magazine** Feedback received is positive.

#### **14 Correspondence and Communication**

Youth Volunteer Promotion Scheme – request more info. Action: Clerk to request.  
Commemorative horseshoe. Now displayed in Church.

Grow together. Budding gardeners. DH

Health bus for Rutland. Interested in scheme.

Safer Village Scheme box of equipment. Clerk to respond.

Agenda for Parish Forum. Please submit any items to DH

Redesign Public Health Services.

TRASP – letter regarding traffic survey. Action: Reply to TRASP (NB)

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

RCC budget. Out for consultation.

26<sup>th</sup> January – induction of new Vicar

#### **16 Items for a future agenda**

Accounts update

Update on deer poaching

#### **17 Date of next meeting and AGM**

March 13<sup>th</sup> 2019

May 22<sup>nd</sup> proposed for AGM and subsequent meeting.

#### **Welcome to Begy Gardens**

Your Parish Council offers a special welcome to all our new residents in Begy Gardens. The building work is nearly all finished and hopefully the building site debris is cleared and away. At this time we would like to explain why the road name is Begy Gardens. Three years ago a very dear friend and colleague passed away, his name was Roger Begy. Not only did he head the Rutland Council for many years, but also was a Ward Member and Parish Councillor for Greetham. So much of what is now available to us in Greetham is due to his dedicated and selfless work on all our behalves. He was also a resident of Greetham with his wife Sandy and he and his family always did and his family still do, take an active role in all Greetham's many organisations and groups. This permanent memory of his name is a fitting way to honour such a good man.

Ken Edward

Chair of Greetham Parish Council

### **FOR YOUR DIARIES**

#### ***GREETHAM OPEN GARDENS 2019***

Here we go again! We are planning to have Greetham Open Gardens on Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2019 – 1.00 to 5.00 p.m.

As usual we will have a plant stall, so if anyone would like to supply plants on the day, it would be much appreciated.

Anyone interested in opening their gardens please make contact on 01572 813061.

Regards, Trevor Hubbert.

**GREETHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April**



**DOORS OPEN- 6.30PM**

**EYES DOWN- 7.00PM**

**FANTASTIC PRIZES**

**LICENSED BAR**

**Save the date!**

The Greetham Church Fete will take place on Saturday, 13th July starting at noon. Please put it in your diaries now and come along to support us!

## **Your Health Matters**

Get Health Ready without the Hassle  
Join us for information here at 'The Castle'



**Come along to The Castle in Oakham on  
Thursday 27 June  
10:00am to 2:00pm**

There will be lots of information on early diagnosis of cancer and how to live well and healthy with and beyond cancer (and other long term illnesses).

BMI Checks, Blood Pressure Checks and Cholesterol Checks will be available on the day.

Taster Sessions on Reiki, Exercise and Nurse Specialists available to talk to.

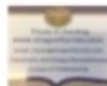
Limited free parking, Refreshments & Goodie Bags Available.

For more information please call Elaine Rootham on

**01572 823 942**

email [elaine.rootham@ageukleics.org.uk](mailto:elaine.rootham@ageukleics.org.uk)

or visit [www.ageukleics.org.uk](http://www.ageukleics.org.uk)



## APRIL NEWSLETTER

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

**by Wed March 20th please**

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

## **Greetham Good Neighbour Scheme**



**For HELP just call  
07763 750499  
or e-mail**

**Greethamgns@hotmail.com**

## **The Greetham Advertiser**

Promoting local businesses,  
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To advertise your services here  
please contact Pauline Kelly  
07977575056

## **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.co

## **THE PLOUGH** GREETHAM in RUTLAND

Book for Mother's Day 12-7 (bookings will get a glass of fizz and gift for mum)

March steak offer - 2 steaks with chips and peas with a bottle of house wine £35 available weds to Saturday lunch and dinner

Dog friendly bar  
Open every day for lunch and dinner  
12-2.30 and 6-9pm bar opens at 5pm  
Open all day Friday to Sunday  
(Closed Tuesday lunch )



23 Main Street, Greetham Oakham  
Rutland LE15 7NJ **01572 813613**  
[www.the-plough-greetham.co.uk](http://www.the-plough-greetham.co.uk)



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## Easter Sunday Luncheon Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019

3 course and a chocolate egg for every child

12 til 3pm

**£18.95 per person**

Children 0-4 years complimentary, 5-10 years half price

*Booking essential*

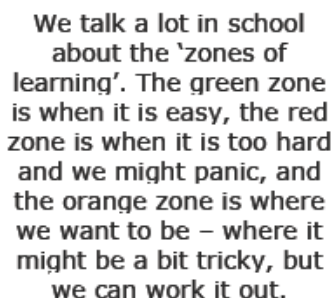


To book your table, please contact us:  
01780 460444 info@greethamvalley.co.uk  
www.greethamvalley.co.uk





## Being Resilient



Each term we explore one of our 6 'Rs' of learning. During term 3 we looked

at how resilient we are in our learning when things get tricky. Do we keep going when things get tough? Are we good at looking for another way?

This culminated with a 'resilience day' on the last day of term in February. The children were still expected to get on with their learning, but on this day, the teachers were not allowed to talk! The children had to find other solutions when they were unsure, rather than going straight to an adult. This could be asking a friend, looking in the classroom or books for clues, or trying their own strategies.

This day proved hardest for the staff in staying quiet – but the children were brilliant in showing us how resilient they are!

**School website:** [www.extonschool.co.uk](http://www.extonschool.co.uk)

**Phone: 01572 812380 to arrange a visit.**