# GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2021

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Greetham Comedy evening



#### Planning an Event?

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	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		

# Lots of great things happening at your Community Centre in the next couple months starting with

5 Nov FIREWORKS family fun night for all

Friends night cancelled to later date.

**20 Nov 7pm SHODDY WADDY** get your tickets from the Village shop or Plough £2.00 or £5.00 for family ticket, Going to be a fantastic night with lots of dancing, singing for everyone.

## 3rd Dec Christmas Bingo

eyes down!

Bingo or raffle raffle prizes needed. Louise Smith is collecting items 5 Church Lane 01572 813007

Dec 18 Children's Party

Dec 19 Santa through the village

**Dec 31** New Years Eve for all the family. Come along and enjoy, relax have fun and meet new people

Stay safe Greetham Events & Engagement Team

## Thank you

We would like to thank Peggy Butcher for her many loyal years of delivering the newsletter. She has decided to retire!



#### Wanted

A volunteer to deliver the newsletter to a portion of Main Street. Contact the editor, Clare Hitchcox, greethamnews@aol.com or 01572 812585

#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **Church services for November**

Sun October 31 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	Benefice Holy Communion at Thistle ton Church
Tues November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6.00pm	All Souls Service remembering those who have died
Sun November 7th	9.30am	Our World Service with Guest Speaker  – Sue Bamber on Saffires
Sun November 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Remembrance Service including the 2 minute silence
Sun November 21st Sun November 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am 9.30am	Morning Praise Holy Communion

#### Church Autumn Clean Saturday November 6th 10-12

Come and help us to give St Mary's Church a good clean in preparation for Christmas. The more helpers the better. Churchyard tidying too weather permitting.

Saturday November 6th 10-12 - there will be cake!!

Jackie and Helen (Churchwardens)

#### Parish Council

The next General Meeting will be convened on Wednesday November 10th 2021 at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 18.30hrs.

**Please note the change of time.** Correspondence will be available before the meeting from 18.20 hrs.

#### HOPE AGAINST CANCER CHRISTMAS LUNCH

**GREETHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE** 

SUNDAY 28th NOVEMBER 2021 AT 1.00PM

2 Course Christmas Lunch Tea/Coffee and Mince Pies

£10.00 per person, under 10's £5.00

**This must be pre-booked** Please contact: Sally Cluley Tel: 01572 813639

Raffle Prizes welcome

# <u>University of Leicester Poppy Pilgrimage Monday 8th November 2.00pm</u>

The end of the First World War marked the beginnings of a university in Leicester as a living memorial to honour those who made sacrifices during the Great War.

On Remembrance Sunday in 2018, the University of Leicester embarked on a mission to honour those who lost their lives and made sacrifices during the War, with a commitment to lay 100 wreaths across memorial sites in Leicestershire and Rutland.

The University representatives will comprise students, staff and/or alumni. They will arrive on site, meet the nominated site representative, lay the wreath and take a few photographs. The visit will take approximately 20-30 minutes, at most.

Viscount Campden will lay a wreath in Greetham Church on **Monday 8th November** at 2.00pm and everyone is invited to attend. We hope to ring the bells which are this village's memorial to those who died in WWI.

#### **REVIEWS**

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING** raised a total of £560.00 Many thanks to all who came to the coffee morning, made cakes, donated raffle prizes or made donations. Well done, thanks Sally

#### Greetham Comedy Night Saturday 25th September

It was third time lucky following the postponement due to COVID back in March 2020, as the Greetham Comedy Night finally went ahead. However, it was not without last minute drama! Due to the panic buying of fuel the main act Mike Gunn could not get any petrol and was unable to travel from London. So, at the very last minute the director of First Laugh's Comedy Tony Vino stepped in, giving up his Genesis tickets and driving all the way down from Manchester to be our head line act!

The evening was a total success! During lockdown comedians have obviously been honing their skills, using different props and trying out new things, all which they used and worked extremely well on the night: guitar, drums, Lion King audience participation & the final balloon act where Tony Vino blew up a massive balloon around himself and when it popped he emerged in a totally different set of clothes!! The audience of 80 were treated to comedy of the highest order and in my opinion the best comedy night yet in Greetham.

I would like to thank all the helpers for setting the hall up and then clearing everything away at the end of the evening, Katy for managing the half time hot dog sales, Roly for the lend of his PA/speakers/lights/mic, Steve B for setting the stage up and drawing the raffle, Ollie for assisting Jock with the sound decks & music and finally the bar staff who had a very busy night!

The profits from the evening go towards the Community Centre tennis court upkeep

Ticket Sales Profit £150

Raffle ticket Profit £117

Hot dog sales profit £114.48

I might be tempted to book another comedy night for Saturday 26th March 2022 if there is enough interest!! Stephen Calnan, Organiser

#### The Great Big Green Mess!

We were all a bit green for our messy play session a few weeks ago, but not to worry, we all were quite well. We were among thousands of events happening nationwide to raise awareness of the growing impact of climate change. The Great Big Green Week which took place on the 18-26th September this year united communities across the UK with one message-act now for climate change for the sake of our future generations.



Our babies and toddlers (and mummies, daddies, grannies and grandads) all dressed in green and enjoyed a messy play experience with a difference.....everything was green! (you'll need to trust me with this one!)



Some of the activities included were: homemade, taste-safe playdough; green pasta; green ice (that we painted with) green rice; green chalk on green paper (of course!); peas; green instruments; green sensory scarves; green chia seeds; and green dinosaurs and cars!

We ended all that excitement, as we also do, with a calming music and (green!) light show. Our wonderful families proving to us that it is easy being green 62.



You can read more about the campaign and other events that took place here www.greatbiggreenweek.com

Are you green with envy? Would you like to join us next time? We run messy play sessions every Thursday morning during term time at Greetham community centre from 10am. Come and meet other families in the local area, enjoy quality time with your little one(s) and stay for cake and a drink at the coffee morning afterwards.

To register your interest go to : www.teachingmum.com/join

For more photos of what we get up to visit www.facebook.com/theteachingmumuk

#### 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 Meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021 @ 7.30pm held at the Community Centre

#### **Finance**

#### Approval of orders to be placed

New wooden gates to Burial Ground are to be installed during the next 6 months. A resident has kindly agreed to install them.

Bluebells for planting at the Spinney and Community Centre. After discussion, it was agreed to order 500 bulbs.

PH reported on the tree planting offer. A donor is prepared to give £2,500 to support the planting of trees from Greetham Village to Cottesmore. RCC will plant the trees free of charge.

2 trees for Burial Ground. There has been a donation from a member of the public to replace the small trees in the existing cremation beds.

There has been a suggestion from the Lord Lieutenant of Rutland of planning trees for the Jubilee.

The planting of 7 blossom trees around the Community Centre by the Spinney has been suggested and approved

#### Planning Application 2021/0297/MIN – NW Extension to Greetham Quarry

"This was due to come before the Planning Committee on 21<sup>st</sup> September. However, our legal counsel advised that we should inform RCC that a decision could not be considered until a full study of background dust emissions had been undertaken in order to meet the precautionary principle. Without this data it is not possible to determine if the proposed quarry activity will exceed the legal particulate matter emissions limit with or without mitigation measures.

Our letter was received by RCC in time for them to take advice and they removed the application prior to the deadline. A dust monitor has now been installed by contractors on behalf of MGL. We have today had a meeting with Peterborough Environmental Health and RCC to ascertain how long these measures will be in place, the monitoring programme and protocol and audit of procedures."

#### Alternative proposal to MGL to reduce size of quarry

During recent discussions with the legal advisor, it was advised that GPC should offer a possible acceptable alternative proposal to MGL to allow their application, with modifications to be consented.

The basis of the proposal is for the NW extension proposal to be reduced in size from the current 3m M3 to approximately 1m M3 and that this be located towards the area bounding Thistleton Lane, thereby located some 500m further from the village boundary.

## **Extension to Restoration Timeline on Existing Quarry**

Both applications were taken to Planning Committee on 21<sup>st</sup> September and both applications accepted. This means that the extension of time to restore the old quarry has been accepted (now 1/9/2022), however, the use of the haul road was ruled out of bounds on this application and will be discussed under the Northwest Extension when it next comes to committee. Mick George will be expected to pro-

duce a phased restoration plan, and Dust and Noise Mitigation Plans for RCC to review within 3 months of the decision notice being issued. The Decision Notice was issued on 30<sup>th</sup> September. RCC will be responsible for monitoring completion by 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2022 following this plan.

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

"We are still awaiting confirmation of when both applications will come before Planning Committee.

However, I am pleased to report that Highways have finally submitted their Highways Consultee Report and they have objected to the Warehouse Application on the grounds that

"The HGV movements associated with this size of development would remove all of the reserve capacity and more, through Greetham. Furthermore, the B668 through Greetham is not suitable to take the amount of HGV's associated with this development due to how narrow the carriageway is and the lack of suitable pedestrian footpaths. The routing agreement proposed by the applicant cannot be conditioned as it will not be enforceable or reasonable based on the end user and the number of end users being unknown".

This is a good outcome and a big thank you goes to the Traffic Focus Group who have continually brought the traffic issues to the attention of Highways. A big thank you also goes to all those people in the village who contributed photos and information to the SWAG team in respect of traffic jams and damage to buildings. All this information was forwarded to Highways and discussed with them in detail by the Quarry Focus Group."

#### **Decision Notices**

**Application Number 2021/0983/CAT** – At back of house take out the crown on 1 no. wild Apple Tree and take out the crown on 1 no. Portuguese Laurel. They are both causing problems for the house next door no. 41 Main Street.

Location: 43 Main Street, Greetham, Rutland LE15 7NJ

RCC has decided not to exercise its powers to make a provisional Tree Preservation Order in this instance.

**Application Number 2021/0857/FUL** – Proposed temporary static caravan for onsite occupation whilst works are being carried out in relation to the agricultural conversion to a dwelling under approved application 2020/1346/PAD

Location: The Old Piggery, Far Wood Lane, Greetham

Planning permission granted subject to conditions

**Application Number 2021/0971/MIN** – Proposal: S73 application for Variation of condition 2 in relation to Application M/1999/0326/09. Amendment of condition 2 to "Unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Mineral Planning Authority this permission shall expire on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022, by which time the site should be fully restored in accordance with a scheme approved under Condition No. 26".

Location: Greetham Quarry, Stretton Road, Greetham LE15 7NP

**Application Number 2021/0972/MIN** – Proposal: S73 application for Variation of condition in relation to Application MIN/2004/1051. Change condition 3 to "Unless otherwise agreed in writing with the County Planning Authority mineral extraction shall cease and the site full restored in accordance with a scheme approved under Condition No. 43 below and condition number 26 of planning permission 1999/0326/09 by the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022."

Location: Greetham Quarry, Stretton Road, Greetham LE15 7NP

RCC have granted planning permission in accordance with the above applications and plans submitted, subject to conditions.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

# Overview of the Rutland "Draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy – A Plan for Places 2022-2025"

AJ reported on the Draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy which was very disappointing. There is no up to date analysis of Rutland's health needs and travel is an issue, with having to go to Leicester. Nearly all the agreements and contracts have been set up with Leicester. Funds have been cut and there is a request not to shut the General Hospital until other alternatives are in place. It is evident that more primary care is needed in Rutland.

#### Safety issues regarding the old quarry

Safety concerns at the Old Quarry have been reported by members of the public. There is bad fencing and gaps in the hedges posing as potential access to children and pets. The cliff edge and severe inclines are especially dangerous. With a closed quarry no safety surveillance is being offered.

It was agreed for a letter to go to MGL asking for the area to be surveyed and carry out work to make it safe.

#### **Forum for Rutland Quarries Group**

The overall purpose of the Rutland Quarry Forum will be to seek to establish if there are any issues of common concern, which can be raised with RCC and have broad based support.

One specific goal which Greetham would like to achieve is the inclusion in the new Local Plan of a policy specifying that there should be a minimum separation distance of 500 metres between any quarry and sensitive receptors such as residential property.

#### **Focus Groups**

#### Fix my Street and Highways

There has been a notification from RCC that they are not going to replace the road signs near the crash gates at Hooby Lane and Thistleton Road. They have inspected them and do not feel a repair is necessary at this stage.

It is noted that there are dangerous corners of the road in the village which pose danger for children and adults crossing the road to access bus stops. It was agreed for PH to write a proposal to RCC to request zebra crossings for dangerous spots in the village to give safe crossing points.

#### Trees, Nature and Environment

PH reported that a Tree Warden Meeting was held on 21<sup>st</sup> September. It was stated that 2 trees were due to be replaced by RCC (at no charge) at the Great Lane gated area, and that the grass verges were due to be cut shortly.

During the Green Week, GPC participated with an event held at Greetham Community Centre hosting key speakers. 20 residents attended and this proved to be very successful. Bulbs were also planted on the main approach from Cottesmore.

The Sustainable Land Trust launched their nature project during the Green week. There will be a focus on the Spinney (nature area) in the top corner of the Community Centre field, over the course of the autumn.

#### **Burial Ground**

Update on unconsecrated flower bed

There are a number of ornaments in the beds around a memorial plaque in the name of Stephen William Leonard (1955 – 2018). GPC have no record of this person.

#### Reports from outside bodies

Rutland North Beat Report for September:

Residential Burglary – Ashwell, Greetham

Assault – Cottesmore x 3, Whissendine, Great Casterton, Hambleton, Thistleton.

Theft – Market Overton, Stretton, Great Casterton

Theft from Vehicle – A1 x 4

Bilking (Theft of fuel from garage) - Stretton

Public Order - Ryhall

Criminal Damage - Cottesmore, Little Casterton

#### **Next Meeting**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at **6.30pm (earlier time)**No December meeting unless there are urgent matters
January meeting planned – 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

#### Greetham Burial Ground.

There are a number of ornaments in the unconsecrated flower bed around a memorial plaque in the name of Stephen William Leonard (1955 – 2018). Greetham Parish Council have no record of this person and his ashes thought to be in the burial ground need to be official recorded.

If anyone knows of the deceased please email the Clerk - Jayne Isaac at 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.

## Lest we forget....



In November this year, the Parish Council would like to place a life sized cut out image of a Tommy soldier on the

village green, to remember our fallen of the two world wars, and every conflict since. Purchasing this Tommy will support the Royal British Legion.

If you would like to help sponsor this tribute to the brave men and women who have laid down their lives to keep us all safe, please let the Parish Clerk, Jayne Isaac, know.

The suggested contribution is £5, and your generous support will be recorded on a list of Sponsors, displayed on the Village No-

ticeboard.

### Greetham remembers its fallen heroes.

Contact the Clerk on <u>Greethampc@gmail.com</u>
Or send your contribution to 73 Main Street, Greetham, LE15 7NJ.
Cheques payable to Greetham Parish Council. Please include your name as you would like it to appear on the list of Sponsors.

#### **DECEMBER NEWSLETTER**

Please send details of all forthcoming events to Clare Hitchcox

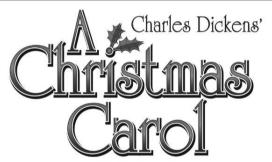
#### by Saturday November 20th please

The Walnuts, 69 Main Street, Greetham. LE15 7NJ email: greethamnews@aol.com 01572 812585



#### **Stamford Shoestring Theatre proudly present**





john mortimer

#### stamford arts centre

from 8-II and I6-I8 of december at 7.45pm with a matinee performance II december at 2pm

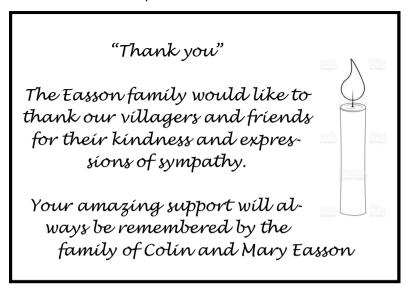
A large cast of 23 will be bringing this classic tale to life in John Mortimer's lively, witty version of the famous story. Full of music and laughter, thrills and chills, it promises to be ideal family entertainment for the Christmas season.



Tickets £12.00 (Concessions £10.00) from stamfordartscentre.com and 01780 763203



Thanks to all who have sponsored the newsletter this month



This newsletter has been sponsored by Andrew & Nicola Cross of Arcus Taxation & Accountants. We have recently moved into the village this summer and look forward to being a part of village life. Our business is in Gaol Street, Oakham and we specialise in Personal Taxation and Business Accountancy. You can get in touch with us on 01572 770552 or at <a href="mailto:arcus-rutland.co.uk">arcus-rutland.co.uk</a>.

Thanks to Stamford Shoestring Theatre who have also sponsored this newsletter

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or 01572 812585

# Tammi's icecream parlour, Tearooms and Veg shed at The Plough, Greetham \_\_\_\_\_

# Christmas is coming...

Tammi's Ice Cream Parlour



We have many events happening...

- \* Thursday 2nd December: Wreath Making 6pm
- \* Monday 6th December: Christmas coffee morning
- \* Wc:13th December: Christmas afternoon tea (pre booking required)
- \*Saturday 18th December: Breakfast with Santa 9am - 11am Booking required
- \*Monday 20th December: Santa Paws Bring your dog to see Santa
- \*Tuesday 21st December Childrens Christmas party
- 12:30pm 3:00pm (booking required)



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## Our community is....

As part of an RLT art project, all of the children have completed artwork with a title of 'Our Community is...' As part of this the children were asked to consider what makes our school community

special, what makes our local community special and to think about British Values. The children were all keen to represent the inclusive nature of what a community should be, and that their artwork should also represent our school behaviour statement: 'We are kind, we are honest, we forgive'. Different children approached the artwork in different ways. Pictured (from the top)are pictures from EYFS, year 6, year 3, and year 2.







We are happy to show prospective parents around the school. Please contact the school office on the phone on 01572 812380 or by email at extonoffice@rltschools.com.