# Around Pattishall



# Pattishall Parish Spring Clean Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 9.00am

Each year the Parish organisations come together in concerted effort to collect the rubbish that has accumulated over the last twelve months, before the grass starts to grow too vigorously!

This is an appeal to all willing volunteers who would like to help this year. Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at the Parish Hall at 9.00am. Come suitably dressed for the weather!

High viz vests, bags, gloves and picking utensils will be provided and hopefully we can complete the 'clean up' by lunch time.

Routes will be allocated and the facility to leave full bags by the roadside for someone to collect should make the job quite simple. All full bags will be heaped in the Parish Hall car park ready for collection on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March.

Coffee and soft drinks will be available in the village hall during the morning.

Health and Safety will of course be of paramount importance at all times, so there will be a clear briefing before we start.

Roger Clarke 830509

## Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch

Well the day may have been dull and gloomy but the atmosphere inside the hall was far from it.

Yet another wonderful turnout from our Parish. A total of 67 guests were greeted with a glass of sherry before sitting down to a traditional roasted Turkey lunch, followed by a really tasty Christmas pudding and custard. Washed down nicely with either

wine or soft drinks. We were then entertained this year by a lovely Duo from the Towcester Songbirds. Then tea, mince pies and the raffle before going home with a lovely plant. It is really a wonderful Parish occasion and we hope that old and new guests will join us

again next year.

Thanks go to the brilliant volunteers that help make this traditional event. The kitchen staff that work behind the scenes: the turkey cookers and carvers, the front of house waiters and waitresses including our youngsters Ben, Mia and Rosie.

It really is about time I passed on the organizing of this event and if anyone would like to volunteer then please contact me. You could ether take straight over or shadow me for a year. Then I will sit down as a guest! It is not an onerous task, just a case of coordinating and shopping really. There is a great team of volunteers that are ready and willing to carry on their roles.

Contact Libby 830501 or Iris 830829

# Pattishall Neighbourhood Watch

Are you aware:

Our NHW scheme has been running for 10 years. We have 24 street wardens covering most roads in the Parish and there are over 150 residents on our email loop.

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In South Northants there are 68 registered NHW Schemes. The NHW Schemes are supported by SNAST (South Northants Area NHW Support Team).

SNAST holds meetings 4 times a year to which all NHW Coordinators are invited to attend. These meetings are also attended by the Police who update us on local crime and criminal trends. We also discuss the Neighbourhood Alert System and phoning 101.

In the last 10 years Policing has changed. We used to have a dedicated PCSO but now there are only 7 PCSO's covering Towcester and Brackley. Nationally the Police have to deal with more gun crime, drugs and serious organised crime. This is putting pressure on the force.

At our last meeting NHW Coordinators were informed about County Lines (drug lines). Organised gangs sending their drug gangs into the shires and taking over areas. This is happening everywhere.

If you notice anything at all suspicious in our Parish phone the Police on 101 straight away – **don't wait!** 

If you would like to receive up to date information on crime and suspicious incidents in our Parish it is easily accessible by:

Joining our email loop Contact the Coordinator

Pattishall Parish Website There is a quick link to the NHW page Facebook PattishallParishNeighbourhoodWatch

Linda Hemming (NHW Coordinator) Linda\_hemming@hotmail.com Tel 01327 830744



# Gardening Club

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March we welcome back Michael Brown, a historic gardener from Northampton who is coming to talk about

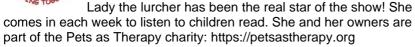
Death in the Garden which will cover poisonous plants, myths, magic, passion and murder. Apparently, many of these plants may well be growing in our gardens. The April meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> will be more light hearted as Douglas Goddard, Chairman of Beds/Northants Butterfly Conservation has agreed to come and talk about the butterflies that we might find in our gardens.

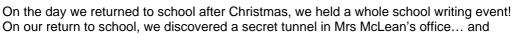
New members and guests always welcome.

Christine Russell

## Pattishall School

Christmas seems like a long time ago as we continue on our learning journey through the Spring Term.





Mrs McLean was nowhere to be found... The children wrote the most amazing tales of my adventures, which brightened up a cold, dark January day!

This term, we have started working with S4A – a sports coaching company who provide our PE lessons, as well as before and after school clubs such as badminton and invasion games. We work with Amy Clavey who runs 'Acro' and Dance before-school clubs; as well as Premier Education who teach well-being and healthy-living during the day and run Street Dance on a Friday afternoon. GLK, Hotshots and Freestyle provide gymnastics, basketball and football after school. We are also grateful to Linda Sherry

for her on-going coaching support for our teachers and Sports Crew.

As a result of our continued focus on healthy living, we have had some successes in

local competitions. On 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019, we took a team of Year 5 and 6 children to Magdalen College for an athletics tournament where we came second! On Thursday 7th February, we took a team of Year 3 and 4 children to Campion for a basketball competition. A special mention goes to Bradley, who wowed us all with his skills!

All the children were a credit to the school and looked so smart in their new kit.

We were lucky enough to take a group of children to Old Trafford, on 6<sup>th</sup> January, to watch Reading v Man United: it was an incredibly exciting match and a great atmosphere.

We are very excited to announce the imminent opening of our Coding Suite and subsequent enrichment clubs. We have a class suite of Raspberry Pi computers thanks to FoPs. These tiny, but powerful, computers will enable us to think outside of the box when it comes to teaching programming.

Starting after half term, we are also launching Warm Welcome Wednesdays. To further develop our ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support), nurture and well-being culture. Each Wednesday, there will be an activity to promote positive mental health, growth mindset, community and self-regulation. One of these events will be the half-termly parent and tots group, where anyone with a



pre-school age child is welcome to come into school for a coffee and a chance for the children to play. The first of these will be Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 8.45am – 9.45am.

As we move towards Easter, we look forward to an Easter bonnet parade, Music Café for the families of the children who play instruments (26% of the school), Year 1 and 2 Mother's Day service and Year 6's Stations of the Cross service, both in Holy Cross Church.

In May, we are praying for fine weather so that our May Day celebrations can be enjoyed by the whole community. We are planning a traditional sports day, cream teas, bunting and may pole dancing! We will also be welcoming Messy Church On Tour back into the school building on 11th May 2pm – 3.30pm: all welcome.

S4A run holiday camps for Reception – Year 8 children; not just for Pattishall school children! They will be making use of our coding suite as well as running art and craft activities – something for everyone! Sign up here: https://s4asports.co.uk/pattishall-c-of-e-school/ for February half term

Until next time, best wishes, Mrs McLean



# Voluntary Drivers Urgently Needed

TADD is a long-established local charity operating a door to door community transport service for the people in the SNC area. The service enables members to attend medically related appointments and services, is affordable and allows them to

retain independence in the absence of suitable public transport and avoid reliance on family, friends and neighbours.

For the first time in over 30 years, the charity has a waiting list of over 100 for membership due to a shortage of volunteer drivers. There are a number of areas and villages in the TADD catchment area, including Cold Higham and surrounding villages where we have a shortage of drivers, which means we have to use drivers from much further afield. This goes against the principle and cost effectiveness of volunteering to support one's local community

Drivers need to have access to a car, be available on a fairly regular basis for a minimum of half a day a week and complete a DBS check. Mileage is reimbursed at the HMRC rate, insurance premiums are not affected and journeys are allocated weekly by mutual agreement.

To learn more about volunteering for TADD visit <a href="www.towcesterareadoor2door.com">www.towcesterareadoor2door.com</a> or email volunteer@towcesterareadoor2door.co.uk

# Greens Norton and Weedon Medical Practice

#### **Announcements**

We are pleased to welcome Nurse Claire Lowe to the practice. Claire is a Diabetes Nurse Specialist and will be seeing patients at both Greens Norton Medical Centre and Weedon Surgery. Dr Rabia





Younas, GP Registrar, has just started her maternity leave. The practice wishes her all the very best and we look forward to her return in the future.

#### **Charitable Donations**

Thank you for helping us support the Medical Detection Dogs during 2018. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated. In 2019 we will be supporting the Northamptonshire Carers.

Northamptonshire Carers support Carers of all ages. They provide a Carers' Support Line with access to 1:1 support from trained staff and peer support; carer's assessments; gym membership and holistic therapies; social activities like groups, cafés, trips and breaks to alleviate loneliness, depression, isolation and to give time out from caring. If you wish to find out more about the Northamptonshire Carers please ask reception for a Carers Pack or visit their website: <a href="https://www.northamptonshire-carers.org">www.northamptonshire-carers.org</a>.

#### **Important Appointment Information**

We are continually reviewing the amount of nursing and GP time offered to meet patients' requests for appointments. On occasions patients fail to attend their appointments and we ask that you cancel appointments that you no longer require to enable us to offer them to someone else.

The most recent attendance results are as follows:-

1<sup>st</sup> Oct – 31<sup>st</sup> Dec Patients Attending
GPs 97%
Nurses 95%

Appointments Can Be Cancelled by Contacting Reception or through Systmonline on-line Services. Thank You.



# Pattishall District Poppy Collection

The collection for the Poppy Appeal in the Pattishall District last November raised a total sum of £2,088.88. Many thanks to the 19 collectors and the residents of Pattishall / Eastcote / Dalscote /Astcote

/Fosters Booth / Cold Higham / Potcote / Grimscote and Cornhill for their time and generosity.

The total raised for the larger area Towcester and District was in excess of £27,000.

Roger Clarke

# Picnic in the Park Family Music Festival 2019 Saturday 13 July Pattishall Playing Field

Plans for this year's event are now well in hand and we are busy finalising the details. We have lots of exciting entertainment lined up for you from great bands on the big stage, to the huge variety of activities for children, and everything in between – craft fair, acoustic lounge, wide range of food and drink, fab weather (first thing we ordered), and more.



Before our summer event we are holding a QUIZ and CURRY evening on FRIDAY 13 MARCH. We are holding this joint fund-raiser in association with Prostate Cancer UK, supporting our Picnic Committee member Jon Hibbert. Jon sadly lost his father, Alan, who was one of Picnic's biggest fans, to this disease late last year. Jon and his brother are raising funds by doing an epic bike ride of 115 miles on the first stage of the Tour de France later this year. So help us support them by coming to our fabulous quiz evening – there will be a raffle, auction, great value bar, music, and fun all round. Check out the advert on page 29 for all the details and contact Suzanne to book your tickets and table. See you there!

Suzanne Picnic in the Park 2019



A beautiful and useful spiral bound cook book with lots of deliciously exciting and mouthwatering recipes has been produced by members of Pattishall WI with more than 80 delicious recipes including starters, main courses, desserts and cakes etc.

The recipe book is now priced at a very reasonable £3.50

To obtain your copy please contact: Jeanne Gulliford - 01327 830519 or any Pattishall WI member.





# **Campion School**

It has been a most successful start to the new year for Campion students. Our Year 13 students completed their mock exams and continue to receive excellent university and apprenticeship offers. Our Year 11 students are

also showing great commitment to their studies. We were delighted to welcome our new Deputy Headteacher, Kim Bradley. Kim is an experienced and successful senior leader and teacher of English; she brings proven expertise in the development of good and outstanding teaching and it is great to have Kim in our Campion team.

We have welcomed special guests, such as sporting ambassador and world record-holding cyclist James Golding. James spoke with students in Years 7 and 8 and held them, and staff, spellbound with his story. He certainly provided an inspirational experience and embodies the Campion motto of Care. Commit. Contribute. Year 8 students enjoyed a Logistics World of Work Day led by colleagues from Wincanton. The day showed just how many career paths there are in an industry which is huge in our local area.

We have celebrated some significant sporting achievements in the past five weeks; our Year 8 girls hockey team won the recent Spratton Hall hockey tournament and four students represented the District in the county cross country championships in January. Our Under 16 football team enjoyed national success as they made it through to the last 16 of the National Cup from 528 teams. Well done to all our students and coaching teams for their continued success!

We were also delighted for our chef, Sara Franklin who is the Regional Winner of the School Chef of the Year. We wish Sara all the very best as she heads to the national finals.

It has been a busy five weeks and the text above gives just a small flavour of all that takes place each week at Campion. If you would like to keep in more regular touch with us, our weekly newsletter can be found on our website

www.campion.northants.sch.uk/47/newsletters

and please do sign up to our Twitter feed https://twitter.com/Campion School

Claire Whitmore, Headteacher



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# Cold Higham Fish & Chip Quiz

The next Quiz will be held at Cold Higham Village Hall on Saturday 27th April 2019 at 7:30 for 8:00.

Teams of 6 (approx). If You Want to Enter a Team Please Contact Gill on 830990 or Michele on 830040.

Fish and Chips will be provided (just bring your own drinks). Costs will be £10 per person.

Come along and meet friends and neighbours!

# Cold Higham Parish Hall Annual General Meeting

Cold Higham Parish residents are cordially invited to the AGM which will be held at 8pm Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at Cold Higham Parish Hall.

The parish hall is a charity which provides a venue for local activities for people in the Cold Higham, Fosters Booth and Grimscote areas.

If you are looking for an easy way to become more involved in the local community why not come along to the meeting, take a look at your local facility, make suggestions, meet the people involved and have a cup of tea.

Gill Rowe Chair person 01327 830990

# Volunteers Needed to Listen to Children Read In Local Primary Schools

Can you spare an hour or two a week to listen to children read in a local primary school? Schoolreaders is looking for more volunteers in Northamptonshire to carry out this important role.

Reading time for many children at home and at school is often insufficient and one in four children are now leaving primary school unable to read to the required standard. This can have a lifelong consequence. No qualifications are necessary, just a good command of spoken and written English.

Schoolreaders is flexible and will match your availability to an appropriate, local school. Our volunteers find the scheme incredibly rewarding, knowing that a few hours helping a child learn to read each week can have such a great impact on their life chances.



Please visit the website <u>www.schoolreaders.org</u> to join or call 01234 924111 for further information.

Charity Number: 1159157

# Local History Project for Pattishall Parish

A study about the parish is being undertaken by a local group as part of the Victoria County History based at the University of London. This work will eventually be part of the Towcester edition for publication. The project at present is to record all the buildings, including houses, in the parish. We have recorded the buildings in Astcote, Dalscote, Cornhill and some others in outlying areas with the help of many residents for which we are extremely grateful. We intend to survey Pattishall, Eastcote and Fosters Booth in the coming months. Research on the shoe industry in the villages is also underway as part of the project.

This is a long term project which will record life in the parish from past to the present day. It includes all aspects including social history, religious, education, work, notable events and organisations. If you would like to know more or be involved please look at the website <a href="https://www.victoriacountyhistory.ac.uk/counties/northamptonshire">https://www.victoriacountyhistory.ac.uk/counties/northamptonshire</a> or email me, iris@pattishallparish.org.uk.



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# Pattishall Parish Hall Association Pattishall Playing Field Association



The Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch was again a successful event enjoyed by 67 residents – see separate article. A date for your diary, this year's lunch is on 7<sup>th</sup> Dec.

We have received grants towards new chairs and tables for the hall from the New Homes Bonus, Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation and Maud Elkington Charitable Trust. Suzanne has been steering the fund raising for this new furniture so we are nearer our target with these grants and hope to achieve this by the end of the year.

Come along and enjoy Afternoon Tea at the Parish Hall on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April from 1 till 4pm. There will be a sale of plants, books, bric a brac and a local history display of photographs of the parish in previous years.

The trees in the Playing Field have received a trim and some have had to be removed due to health of the remaining specimen trees. It is hoped to replace them with new ones in other places in the park. A New Homes Bonus grant has been received to replace the matting on the bonfire site and to help with the improvement of drainage to the football pitch.

The Playing Field Association maintains the park area, the Parish Council are responsible for the play equipment. In looking after this community space we need to raise funds for the maintenance. We intend holding a Sponsored Walk around the parish in June to raise funds. A short or longer walk for all abilities. Further details in the next Around Pattishall. Please come along and enjoy a walk as well as helping to look after our playing field.

Iris Illingworth

# Salvation Army Clothing Bank

A clothing bank will shortly be installed in the car park at the Parish Hall and Pattishall Playing Field. Please support this charity with unwanted clothes, bags, shoes, bedding etc.

Iris Illingworth



# Pattishall & District Food & Produce Show

#### Fruit, Vegetable & Flower Sections

As we look forward to the lighter evenings and warmer days (no 'Beast from the East' this year, please), many of us are planning what fruit, vegetables and flowers we will grow in our gardens or allotments. To help you make your

choices here are the relevant sections for the Pattishall Food & Produce Show – to be held this year on Sunday 8th September in the Village Hall. New this year, we have extended the 'tallest sunflower' category to everyone, not just the younger members of our community. Make sure the fruits (and veg) of your labours are represented in all their glory, and may the best pumpkin win!

Barry Evans, sixpencesheep@aol.com

# SECTION A: VEGETABLES

5 onions

5 potatoes

3 carrots (with tops)

5 pods of French

beans

5 runner beans

5 standard / large

tomatoes

5 smaller / cherry

tomatoes

3 courgettes

3 beetroot (trimmed)

One cabbage

3 leeks

Longest runner bean

Longest parsnip

Heaviest marrow

One pumpkin

# One squash (not pumpkin)

Strangest shaped vegetable

4 culinary herbs

#### **SECTION B: FRUIT**

3 cooking apples

3 dessert apples

Largest apple

3 pears

5 plums / damsons

Tray of mixed fruit &

veg – minimum 5

varieties



#### SECTION D: FLOWERS & PLANTS

3 roses of same or differing varieties

Rose, one specimen

Dahlia, 3 blooms

3 stems of

Michaelmas daisy /

chrysanthemum

(same variety)

Pelargonium /

geranium in pot

Flowering pot plant

One cacti or succulent

in a pot

One fuchsia in a pot

or tub

Vase of sweet peas Vase of mixed flowers

Tallest sunflower

## Pattishall Cricket Club

Here we are preparing for the third season for Pattishall Cricket Club. We thought last year might be a time to consolidate but we went from strength to strength! 2018 brought us more players (including our first female and overseas players), an extended fixture list and our first trophy!

As always the focus has been on having fun but this year, we managed to pick up a few more wins! We picked up fixtures against new teams, Stoke Bruerne, Bodicote and Maids Moreton as well as continuing our fixtures with Farthingstone and Blakesley. We are well matched teams so have agreed to repeat these fixtures for the 2019 season.

#### Dates for the diary:

Practice sessions will resume at the playing fields from Tuesday 23/04/19 at 19:00 for around an hour (depending on the light) and will then continue every Tuesday at 19:00 until 10/09/19

Signing on afternoon at Pattishall Playing Fields on Sunday 28/04/19 from 14:00 to 16:00

#### 2019 Fixtures

- ☐ 19/05/19 @ 14:00 Stoke Bruerne (Away)
- □ 02/06/19 @ 14:00 Blakesley (Home)
- ☐ 16/06/19 @ 14:00 Maid Moreton (Home)
- ☐ 23/06/19 @ 14:00 Farthingstone Nomads (Away)
- □ 07/07/19 @ 11:00 Blakesley Charity 7's
- □ 21/07/19 @ 11:00 Bodicote (Home)
- □ 28/07/19 @ 14:00 Stoke Bruerne (Home)
- ☐ 11/08/19 @ 14:00 Farthingstone Nomads (Home)
- ☐ 18/08/19 @ 14:00 Maid Moreton (Away)
- □ 08/09/19 @ 14:00 Blakesley (Home)
- ☐ 15/09/19 @14:00 The Drunken Duck Kislingbury (Away)

If you are interested in playing or joining as a social member please get in touch and come along to the signing on afternoon at Pattishall Playing Fields on Sunday 28/04/19 from 14:00 to 16:00 or come to a training session on a Tuesday evening. If you haven't ever played or it's been a while please don't let that put you off! We have had a wide range of ages and abilities in the side but everyone buys into the club ethos that we are here to have fun (and drink beer)!

Pattishall Cricket Club pattishall.cricket@gmail.com

# Derrick Wallage

Anne Wallage, Julie and Caroline would like to thank everyone for their kind wishes and support and for attending the funeral of Derrick after his death on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018.

# Keeping Involved at Pattishall Parish Hall

At this time of the year there is plenty of opportunity to keep fit and active or enjoy leisure activities at the Parish Hall with the following weekly or monthly groups.

 Monday
 1.30 - 5.00 pm
 U3A Bridge
 01327 831083

 Tuesday
 6.15 - 7.15 pm
 Dance fitness class
 kt.lou@live.com

 Saturday
 8.45 - 9.45 am
 Keep Fit
 01327 830792

Camera Club meet on the last Wednesday in the month 7.30pm 01327 830744 Gardening Club meet on the first Wednesday in the month 7.30pm 01327 830012 WI meet on the second Wednesday in the month 7.30pm 01327 831330 Good Neighbours meet on the second Thursday in the month 1.15pm 01327 830892 Pre-School everyday in term time 07901 734460 Cubs/Scouts met on Mondays in term time 01327 830245 Sixfield Rangers FC Sixfields Rangers Football play Sundays 10am Pattishall Cricket Club will start the season in April 07979 575793

Iris Illingworth







## Friends of Pattishall School

We have had a busy few months here at FOPS HQ, arranging all of the Christmas activities and celebrations. We have welcomed the calm and quiet of January, which has enabled our relatively new team to reflect on

our successes and challenges. I would also like to take this opportunity to wholeheartedly thank our wonderful team and all of the teachers, who have been amazing and a great support to me personally whilst I find my feet. They also give a tremendous amount of their time and energy to ensure that all of the events run really smoothly. I am so very proud of them all and very grateful to have them on board. However we would always welcome new volunteers.

We continue to drive our community agenda forward and have arranged some events that we are excited to share that are happening.

On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May Joules Seconds are returning for another sale in the village hall, tickets are available now: <a href="www.pta-events.co.uk/pattishall/">www.pta-events.co.uk/pattishall/</a> The last sale raised over £800 so is a great opportunity to boost our fundraising efforts.

When I moved to the village and before I became a parent, I went to a FOPS Fancy dress disco at the village hall and we had such a great time. So on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May we have decided to hold a disco, with a movie themed fancy dress code. Why not buy a ticket? Details of how to buy tickets will be published very soon. This event is for all of those who live in Pattishall and the surrounding villages, regardless of whether you have children currently at school. We would love to see you there!

Keep your eyes on our Facebook page, (please search for 'Friends of Pattishall School') and the local notice boards for upcoming events. We are also hoping to inspire volunteers from all areas of the community, please feel free to get in touch friendsofpattishallschool@outlook.com

As you have read, we are very keen, along with the Head Teacher and Governors, to raise the profile of the school as the 'heart' of our community. If you could offer a little time or support, however small, suggestions or ideas, then we would love to hear from you either on the forum or contact us via email.

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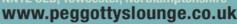
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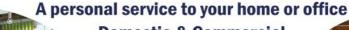


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## Pattishall Parish Council

The council meets at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall on the second Thursday of each month throughout the year, except for August when no meeting is scheduled. An agenda and draft minutes are available on the Pattishall Parish website (<a href="www.pattishallparish.org.uk">www.pattishallparish.org.uk</a>) and all notice boards. Parishioners are very welcome to attend or contact one of the council members listed below, should they wish to raise a point but cannot be at the meeting in person.

#### The Parish Council

Roger Clarke (Chairman) rogerwas.clarkeltd@btinternet.com 830509
Ann Addison (clerk) a addison@btinternet.com 01604 858226: finance
Barry Evans (Vice Chairman) sixpencesheep@aol.com 830523:

Environment & Around Pattishall & School Liaison

David Keeble keeble855@btinternet.com: grass cutting
David Hodges 830679: highways
Robert Hart roberthart885@btinternet.com 830746: maintenance
Mark Mitton mbm@pwc.uk.net 359400: planning
Martin Gardner gardnermjuk@vahoo.co.uk 831671: Neighbourhood Plan

Should parishioners have a concern or require advice on any of the above then please contact the councillor concerned and/or Ann Addison, the parish clerk.

#### **County News**

Northampton County Councillor, Adam Brown, has reported that this year the Council will use the £70 million proceeds from the sale of Angel Square to pay off last year's deficit and replenish reserves and they remain optimistic that there will not be an overspend on this year's budget.

#### **Bus Service**

The number 87 bus service will now call at Sainsburys in Sixfields in addition to the normal route.

#### **Parish Council Vacancies**

Two vacancies have arisen on the Parish Council. All residents over the age of eighteen are invited to apply for these positions and should contact the clerk, Ann Addison, for details and/or to submit an application.

#### **Parking**

Please would residents be considerate when parking their vehicles and not obstruct others, either pedestrians or motorists. The main areas of concern are at the top of Butchers Lane, outside the school at drop off and pick up times & Astcote Village Green. A member of the council suggested wooden stumps be placed on the verge along School Lane.

#### **Grass Mowing**

It will soon be time to think about grass cutting and it is requested that painted pebbles not be placed in the grass verges around the parish. Last year considerable damage was done by these painted pebbles to the contractor's mower blades which the parish duly had to pay for.

#### **Wheely Bins**

The council has received complaints about bins blocking pavements. Where possible please do ensure that your bins are not in a public walkway.

#### **Pattishall Pre School**

There is a decline in numbers at the Pre-School and the Parish Council has been approached to see if there is anything that may be of help either financially or creatively. The hours increased since September and now children may stay for longer in to the afternoon which may help working parents.

#### Gritting

The council have purchased 20 bags of road salt to fill bins around the parish and it may be necessary to purchase new bins in the future.

#### Zip Wire-Pattishall Playing Field

Parents and children in the village will have noticed that the Zip Wire has been out of commission for some time. The Parish Council who are responsible for all the play equipment in all our play areas are currently at odds with the installers.

Eight years ago this piece of equipment was installed by Komplan, a reputable company still in operation. More recently we had to repair one of the upper struts as the welding had sheared. Once repaired, we re-commissioned the apparatus until it was brought to our notice that two of the posts had whittled lose!

At the time of installation we were disappointed because the underlying rubber type matting was laid in a hollow thus leaving the edges protruding and thus becoming damaged by the grass mower.

The installation process should have had concrete around the footing of each post, we have subsequently found that no concrete was put around the posts to secure them, therefore, we are about to claim that the apparatus was 'not fit for purpose' and now unsafe for use. Until we have resolved this issue the apparatus will remain out of commission with the safety of our children in mind.

# Cold Higham Parish Council

#### **Parish Council Elections Delayed**

The next elections to the Parish Council (PC) have been delayed from May 2019 to May 2020. This is along with all other council elections in Northamptonshire, and is due to the local government reorganisation.

#### **Christmas Gathering**

Many thanks and congratulations to Josie, Kim, Steve and Karl for an excellent social occasion on 30<sup>th</sup> November, which was enjoyed by all. Our local group, the Highamettes, once again starred, leading us expertly in singing Christmas carols. The event proved an excellent start to Christmas.

#### **New Parish Councillor**

There has been some expression of interest in the vacant parish councillor position. The Council hope to have good news at the next meeting.

#### **Speeding Through Cold Higham**

The police speed van was positioned in Cold Higham village on 18 occasions during 2018. Twelve occasions were in the morning, six in the afternoon. A total of 233 offences were recorded, an average of 13 per occasion. Of these offences, 14 (6%) attracted no further action; 182 (78%) qualified for a driver education course; 33 (14%) attracted a fine and penalty points; 4 (2%) were recommended for prosecution. The Parish Council urges all drivers to observe the speed limit going through the village.

#### **HGV Damage in Grimscote Village**

On the evening of 29th November an HGV delivering supplies locally tried to go through Grimscote village. Having failed, it spent, reportedly, over 90 minutes turning around, and in the process caused considerable damage to kerbs and verges. The PC arranged for a site meeting with an agent from Northants County Council, to see what can be done to prevent future incidents of this



kind (this was not the first). As a result, they have proposed that signs are erected warning lorries not to turn into Manor Road from Mill Lane. This work will, of course, depend on funding, and is unlikely to be carried out soon, but the PC will monitor progress and keep affected residents updated.

#### Parish Litter Pick - 24th March 2019

The annual parish litter pick will take place on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March. As ever, there will be meeting points at the corner of Church Lane in Cold Higham, and at the telephone kiosk in Grimscote. Meeting time will be 10am. Please come and help clean up the parish – vests, litter sticks and bags will be provided.

#### **Street Lights**

The parish council is examining the possibility of replacing the street lights within the parish. The current ones are old, and will need to be replaced at some stage. There are significant advantages in replacing them with modern LEDs. As well as greatly reducing our carbon footprint, there would be considerable annual cost savings (up to 80%). New lights also provide greater flexibility in brightness, colour and times of lightup. The council is hoping to obtain a grant for the capital costs involved.

#### **Finances**

The PC set its budget for 2019/20 at its meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November. This can be viewed on our web site, <a href="https://www.coldhigham-pc.gov.uk">www.coldhigham-pc.gov.uk</a>.

#### **Towcester Area Door to Door (TADD)**

TADD are urgently appealing for volunteer drivers in our area. They currently have a waiting list for support of over 100 people. Could this be you? Please see their article elsewhere in this issue of Around Pattishall.

Digby Carter, Chairman, 01327 830521

# † The Year at Holy Cross, Pattishall †

Last year was an exciting time for our church as we were delighted to welcome our new Rector, Revd. Canon Karen Jongman, who was instituted in March. Karen has been very active in the four parishes of the Amelcote Benefice, with weekly visits to all three church primary schools and weekly Sunday services at all the churches on a rota basis.

Many of the dog-walkers will have met Karen and her black retriever, Austin on daily walks around the area.

She gives tirelessly of her time, although she is only officially expected to work two days a week plus Sundays, on a House for Duty, basis, not receiving a salary. This means that we are very fortunate to have such a dedicated Parish Priest.

During the Summer work took place to install a new combined heating/lighting system. Fortunately permission was given by the Diocesan Advisory Committee to apply for a faculty to commission the scheme, most of which was funded by a generous donation from a parishioner, together with grants from two trusts and other donations. Some of you will have seen the six chandeliers that grace the arches of the nave, providing a much higher light level and instant heat. We didn't want to experience another cold winter without adequate heating!

In September three members of the congregation raised £800 through sponsorship, for the Northamptonshire Historical Churches Trust on the annual Ride & Stride day. One joined the Benefice walk visiting each of the four churches and Astcote chapel, another cycled to several churches in the southern Northampton area and the third chose to walk to eight churches and chapels in Kettering town centre. Half the money raised was then returned to our church, whilst the rest was kept by the Trust to help with grants to help with conservation of churches/ chapels throughout the county.

With the servery and toilet, installed in 2016, the new heating/lighting makes the church a very useful facility in the village of Pattishall, where lunches and teas are served on the first Sunday in each month. Messy Church afternoons for the family now tour round three venues; Pattishall School, Astcote Chapel and Holy Cross.

A 'Come and Sing The Messiah' day was held in early February, a Big Band group will be playing in March and in April the Northampton Male Voice Choir will be giving a concert. (See the new church website - A Church Near You and this Around Pattishall). If you have a future event and you are not sure where to hold it, please consider Holy Cross!!

# Do you know...?

Parish churches in this country receive no state subsidy and so as individual churches they have to be self-sufficient. They do not receive money from the Diocese or central funding, but rather pay money to the Diocese towards the salaries of clergy and clergy pensions. For Holy Cross church this is £12,500 this year, increasing year on year.

The work of ministry and mission - services and support provided- cost us Holy Cross at about £1700 each month. This is apart from any reserves we can build up for any major repairs or improvements.

Every 5 years our church building has to be structurally surveyed, usually involving some expenditure for the upkeep of the fabric. This is to ensure that it will remain for the use of future generations.

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#### **Towards Towcester**

MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS exce	pt Pub	lic Hol	idays
Northampton The Drapery bay 19	0918	1350	1750
Northampton Rail Station	0921	1353	1753
Sainsburys Gambrel Road		1359	1759
Sixfelds Football Ground		1400	1800
Hunsbury Meadows Banbury Lane	0930	1405	1805
Rothersthorpe Banbury Lane	0933	1409	1809
Eastcote Greenway	0940	1416	1816
Pattishall Church Street	0942	1418	1818
Fosters Booth Butchers Lane	0944	1420	1820
Astcote Main Street	0948	1424	1824
Duncote Main Street	0952	1430	1830
Greens Norton Butchers Arms	0957	1434	1834
Towcester Tesco/A5	1004	1439	
Towcester Brackley Road	1005	1440	

We believe that the bus service has been secured until the end of March 2020, as Parish Councils along the route have agreed to contribute financially to subsidise the service. However, usage of the bus continues to be a vital ingredient to its continuation: **USE**IT OR LOSE IT!

If you have any comments or suggestions about the service I would be pleased to hear from you: please ring 830907 or email ann.atkin51@btinternet.com

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MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS except Public Holidays						
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Towcester Brackley Road		1008 1257				
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Duncote Main Street	0712	1020 1309				
Astcote Main Street	0717	1025 1314				
Pattishall Church Street	0720	1028 1317				
Fosters Booth Butchers Lane	0723	1031 1320				
Eastcote Greenway	0726	1033 1322				
Rothersthorpe Banbury Lane	0734 0851	1040 1329				
Hunsbury Meadows Banbury Lane	0737 0855	1044 1333				
Pineham Village	0739					
Sixfields Football Ground	0744 0900	1048 1337				
Sainsburys Gambrel Road	0745 0901	1049 1338				
Northampton Rail Station	0751 0907	1055 1344				
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# EASTCOTE BAPTIST CHURCH

#### **Services**

Start at 3pm unless otherwise stated, everyone welcome. Looking forward to seeing you at the following services:

March 3<sup>rd</sup> Rev. Romeo Pedro

April 7<sup>th</sup> Mr I Markey

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## ASTCOTE METHODIST CHURCH

Team Ministry
Rev Romeo Pedro, Rev. Phil Snelson
Deacon Richard Beckett, Rev Brian Kennard, Rev Francis M'Itiiri
To contact a Minister please ring the Circuit Office: 01604 702178

- **Sunday Services**, 10.30am. Services are generally informal. Family Services on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month but families with children are welcome at any service and activities for children are always available. Refreshments served after all services.
- **Lunch Club** For the elderly or retired on the second Tuesday in the month. Please contact Maureen Corbett on 830296 if you are interested.
- **Well Group** 12-2pm Ladies group meets monthly for lunch followed by a speaker. Contact Alison Brierley on 830770 to book a seat.

28<sup>th</sup> March – Rev Brian Kennard : *Prison Chaplaincy Today* 25<sup>th</sup> April – Caroline Gooch : *Age UK Northamptonshire* 

- **Flowers** can be placed in the Chapel on Sundays to celebrate an anniversary or in memory of a loved one. Please contact Kate Stretton 830115.
- **Family Services** 45 minute service with John Atkin for all the family (usually) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month. Refreshments after the service: All welcome.

17th March – John Atkin

#### **Easter Services**

Good Friday Service 19th April 3pm – led by Rev Phil Snelson

Easter Day Family Celebration 21st April 10.30am – Deacon Richard Beckett (Easter Breakfast 9.30am – contact Kate Stretton on 830115 to book a place – all welcome)

#### **Other Events**

**Messy Church** 2-3.30pm 9<sup>th</sup> March at Astcote Chapel and 13<sup>th</sup> April at Holy Cross

Fairtrade Afternoon Tea Saturday 16th March 2-4.30pm – Tombola etc

By popular demand - **Sarah Spade & The Noisy Boys** – Astcote Chapel – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm. Ring Ann on 830907 to reserve your tickets.

## **Praying for the Community**

There is 'Prayer Box' on the wall outside the Chapel. This is for any member of our Community to be able to drop in the name of someone they would like us to pray for. We don't need to know the details, just a first name is sufficient. That person will be included in our time of prayer on the following Sunday.

In addition, at 9.30am on the first Sunday of the month, there will be a half hour of prayer specifically for the Community. Anyone may join us for a time of quiet or simple spoken prayer. Our normal 10.30am service will follow after a cuppa.

# The Parishes of Holy Cross Pattishall and St Luke, Cold Higham

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February						
3rd Presentation of Christ		09:30:00 Family Communion	11:00:00 Family Service Holy Baptism	11:00:00 Morning Prayer		
Wednesday 6th			9.30am BCP			
10th 4th Before Lent	09:30:00 Family Communion		18:00:00 Evensong	11:00:00 Family Communion		
Wednesday 13th			9.30am CW			
17th 3rd Before Lent	09:30:00 Morning Prayer	11:00:00 Morning Prayer	09:30:00 Family Communion			
Wednesday 20th			9.30am BCP			
Sunday 24th 2nd before Lent			10:00:00 Benefice Family Communion			
Wednesday 27th			9.30am CW			
		March				
Sunday 3rd Sunday before Lent		09:30:00 Family Communion	11:00:00 Family Service	11:00:00 Morning Prayer		
Ash Wednesday 6th			09:30:00 BCP Communion Imposition Ashes			
Sunday 10th Lent 1	09:30:00 Family Communion		11:00:00 Morning Prayer	11:00:00 Family Communion		
Wednesday 13th			9.30am CW			
Sunday 17th Lent 2	09:30:00 Morning Worship	11:00:00 Family Service	09:30:00 Family Communion			
Wednesday 20th			9.30am BCP			
Sunday 24th Lent 3		10:00:00 Benefice Family Communion				
Wednesday 27th			9.30am CW			



## March

- 3rd The Great Central Big Band, Holy Cross Church, 2.30-4.00pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meetings, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 6th Gardening Club: Death in the Garden, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 9th Messy Church, Astcote Chapel, 2-3.30pm
- 13th Hansons Valuation Day, Cold Higham Hall, 11am-3pm
- 13th Pattishall WI: Life as an Artist, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 14th Good Neighbours: AGM, Quiz, Bring & Buy, Pattishall Parish Hall, 1.45pm
- 14th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 16th Fairtrade Afternoon Tea, Astcote Chapel, 2-4.30pm
- 21st Cold Higham Annual Parish Meeting
- 21st Cold Higham Parish Council Meeting
- 23rd Pattishall Parish Spring Clean, meet Pattishall Hall 9am
- 24th Cold Higham Parish Litter Pick, meet 10am
- 27th Pattishall Camera Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 28th Well Group: Prison Chaplaincy Today, Astcote Chapel, 12-2pm

# **April**

- 5th End of Pattishall School term
- 4th Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 3rd Gardening Club: Butterflies in the Garden, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- $10^{\text{th}}$  Hansons Valuation Day, Cold Higham Hall, 11am-3pm
- 10th Pattishall WI: Pattishall/Eastcote Prisoner of War Camp, Patt. Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 11th Good Neighbours: *Homestead Singers*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 1.45pm
- 11th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 13th Messy Church, Holy Cross, 2-3.30pm
- 23rd Start of Pattishall School term
- 24th Pattishall Camera Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 25th Well Group: Age UK Northamptonshire, Astcote Chapel, 12-2pm
- 27th Cold Higham Parish Hall Fish & Chip Quiz, 7.30 for 8pm
- 27th Northampton Male Voice Choir, Holy Cross Church, 7.30pm
- 28th Afternoon Tea at the Pattishall Parish Hall,1 till 4pm

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