



Around Pattishall

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May-June 2019

Footpath from Bugbrooke to Pattishall, June 2018, by Andy Stewart

2019 Pattishall Village Spring Clean

On a glorious March morning more than 40 volunteers including Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Mums, Dads and some older people met at the Pattishall Parish Hall for a Health & Safety briefing before setting off around the whole parish collecting rubbish, all regaled in high viz vest with pickers and gloves.

I have failed miserably by not taking a picture of this happy group of volunteers who obviously are intent on looking after their parish in this concerted effort to keep it tidy.

However, I am also very pleased to report that far less rubbish than usual was collected, although we remain a convenient distance from McDonalds in Towcester for customers to eat their burgers on the journey north just in time to throw the empty carton onto the verge as they turn into Astcote. It is so disappointing to think that local people are in fact contributing to the waste!

A huge thank you to everyone involved it really is a tribute to the pride you feel for your community. The heap of full sacks was gathered in the village hall car park ready for South Northants Council to collect on the Monday morning.

Roger Clarke, Chairman, Pattishall Parish Council



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 www.towcesterareadoor2door.com or email volunteer@towcesterareadoor2door.co.uk

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



Lots of exciting news for Picnic goes this year. The music is all lined up with some great bands and singers performing on the main stage. Pattishall Primary School choir will be singing this year which we are delighted about. We will get the opportunity to dance with **Swing Dance UK** from Milton Keynes, can't wait to check that out. **Woolford Scott** and **Kings Gambit** band perform on the main stage this year. They both performed to much acclaim in the acoustic lounge last year. Hot tip from me – do catch their performances, you will be so glad you did! We also have **The Buggs**, **The Barratts**, **Mystic Crew** and headlining this year are **The Whiteroom** who perform modern rock and pop from last 30 years and really bring that party vibe, so join in and get your groove on! We are buzzing with this wide range of talented musicians and singers and so pleased that they are all joining us this year.

Once again, craft fair in the Large Hall during the afternoon, which will transform into the acoustic lounge in the evening for more great music performances.

HOT NEWS – we have just heard that the **RAF** are going to honour us with a flypast in a Hurricane during the afternoon – what a thrill especially as they honoured us with a Spitfire last year. Well done Johnny for pulling this off, again!

KIDS' ZONE - Lots of favourites back this year plus new additions too.

Party Workshops are back, also stilt-walker, giant bubble blowing, footie, games, bouncy castles, basket ball competition, go-carts, book corner, movie and Terry in da house kids' disco. Also joining us this year we have **Aspire** from Towcester who will be doing singing, drama and ukulele workshops and **Mayhew School of Dance and Performing Arts**.

Check our website – www.picnicinthepark.org.uk for all this year's info. Tickets are on sale right now using PayPal, and those great deal early bird tickets are available again. Kids go free again this year. Don't miss out; get your tickets ordered right now. Hey, like us on **Facebook** to keep up to date.

Suzanne, Picnic in the Park 2019



Pattishall Parish Hall Association Pattishall Playing Field Association



We have been selected to have a TESCO box at Towcester from 1st May until the end of June. Please support us and the money will go towards new chairs for the hall. We have received a grant from Garfield Weston so we are well on our way to our target for the much needed new furniture for the hall.

The pavilion has been restored by Pattishall Cricket Club and is now well used by them as well as Sixfields Rangers FC and GLK Youth team. The Playing Field has also received a grant for some additional refurbishment of the pavilion.

The AGMs for both the Parish Hall and the Playing Field are on Thursday 2nd May at 7pm. All residents are welcome to attend. Please come along and find out about the work that the committee do to maintain the hall and field for the community.

The sponsored walk that we were hoping to arrange in June has been postponed until the autumn.

Iris Illingworth

Salvation Army Clothing Bank

A clothing bank has been installed in the car park of Patishall Parish Hall and Pattishall Playing Field. Please support this charity with unwanted clothes, bags, shoes, bedding etc.

Iris Illingworth



Gardening Club

On Wednesday 1st May, Juliette Butler from the Wildlife Trust is coming to talk to us about bats! This will include not only an illustrated talk, but if conditions are right, Juliette may invite us to "go batty" and walk around outside to see if we can spot some of these "stars of the night".

As in previous years, the June meeting will take the form of a summer outing to a nearby garden. This year we have arranged a guided tour of the gardens at Broughton Grange, near Banbury, in the afternoon of Wednesday 19th June. Please note the change of date from that published in this year's programme. Lunch will be available at a pub close by. Please contact me for further details.

Christine Russell

ca.russell@btinternet.com 01327 830012

Pattishall Neighbourhood Watch



Thefts and Burglaries

Recently there have been a series of offences within Pattishall Parish including thefts from vehicles, gardens, number plate stolen and an attempted burglary (in which the burglar was disturbed and managed to get away). This is happening in surrounding villages too. The Police believe this is part of a much bigger series of offences being perpetrated in South Northants.

Please make sure your vehicles, sheds, houses and gates are locked. If you are a victim of a theft please report to the Police (even if you didn't lock your property).

CCTV

The Police are very interested in any CCTV footage showing suspicious persons or vehicles.

CCTV must be produced to the Police by persons owning it so that it can be exhibited properly and provides continuity of that evidence for CPS and ultimately Court.

CCTV will only be evidential if it shows a person committing an offence.

Any Stills or CCTV forwarded by a third party may be used in intelligence – to allow the Police to quickly circulate to officers to try to identify an offender but they still need the original footage.

CCTV that just shows a person only can be used to corroborate that they were present in a location but does not prove they committed the offence.

If residents are struggling to create stills or a copy of the footage then they can contact the Police direct. They will try to get an officer to come and assist.

Please remain vigilant and continue reporting any suspicious incident/persons/vehicles on 101. Sometimes the phone is not answered – this is because 999 phone calls at that time are so high there is no one to answer 101. However, if you phone 101 from a mobile there is a call back option.

If Offenders are nearby	call 999
If a crime is in progress	call 999
Injury caused/threatened	call 999
In an emergency	call 999
If a life is at risk	call 999

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

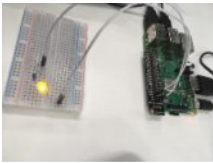
Linda Hemming (NHW Coordinator)
Linda_hemming@hotmail.com or tel 01327 830744



Pattishall School

Easter is upon us already! As a school community, we look forward to the Summer Term.

As ever, we have been working hard behind the scenes to provide an excellent curriculum with many additional opportunities, delivered by a highly motivated and skilled team. Our Year 6's are eagerly awaiting their end of year examinations; in particular the breakfasts we provide each morning of the exams! They are also discussing their preferred options for an end of year treat before we wish them *bon voyage* on their secondary school learning journey.



Learning at Pattishall CE Primary is not just for the children. We are a centre of learning and really value the continuing professional development of our team. Mrs Green, our Year 4 teacher and Computing Lead, visited the Raspberry Pi HQ in Cambridge last month to discover the potential of our new Programming Suite. We are looking forward to sharing these opportunities with the children!



As a TAMHS (Targeted Mental Health in Schools) Silver award winning school (March 2019) we recognise the importance of mental health and well-being. Our *Well-Being Wednesday* approach has been well received by staff and children – on 12th February, we were one of 200 schools to take part in the *Talk Out Loud* campaign. After an assembly, the whole school went out on the playground to blow bubbles to blow away the stigma associated with talking about mental illness. Next step – Gold.



As we all know, keeping a healthy body can help us keep a healthy mind. We continue to go from strength-to-strength in our sports provision. This term we have taken part in cross-country, basketball and athletics events, with several personal bests for individuals. Our most proud moment was winning gold at the Champion Cluster netball fixture. We have a hockey tournament coming up, which we are looking forward to. We are also delighted to announce that we are a Silver award winning School Games school – a fantastic recognition of everything we are doing with sport. We are going for Gold!



On 1st March we celebrated World Book Day. This year, in a change to tradition, each child dressed up as a word. Some of the new vocabulary we encountered was: *ambivalent*, *lethargic*, *elegant*, *compassionate*, *impecunious*, and *somnolent*! On the 2nd March, we welcomed West End in Schools to lead dance workshops linked to texts we have recently been reading. The children had a wonderful time, learning some very complex dance routines in a day!

The Easter Bonnet parade winner was Harriet in Reception Class – she was so excited to receive her prize in Celebration Assembly! Well done to all who took part.

Our first Music café was a huge hit. Thanks goes to NMPAT for supporting us with peripatetic music lessons and to FoPs for providing an excellent spread!

Thanks also to the Reception class team for the beautiful Mother's Day Tea Party they put on Friday 29th March, and to Key Stage One for the Mother's Day service in Holy Cross Church.

Year 6 also did us proud, setting the perfect tone for the Stations of the Cross service in Holy Cross Church on Thursday 28th March. We were pleased to be able to share the event with Peter French, the recently appointed Deputy Diocesan Director for Education in Church Schools. He was very impressed with our school.

On Thursday 23rd May, we welcome the Bishop to school to share his role in the Church and also for Year 4 to share their prayer stations for Pentecost. The theme this year is *Give us this day, our daily bread*.

Forthcoming events – all welcome:

Friday 3rd May, 11:30am - 3:30pm, May Day celebrations

Wednesday 8th May, 8:45am – 9:45am, Stay and Play for pre-schoolers

Saturday 11th May, 2pm – 3.30pm, Messy Church 'On Tour' is back in the school

Thursday 23rd May, 2pm, Year 4 Prayer Stations in Holy Cross for Pentecost

Don't forget:

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 May half term and the Summer holidays.



Until next time, best wishes, Mrs McLean

Cold Higham Parish Hall Annual General Meeting

Cold Higham Parish residents are cordially invited to the AGM which will be held at 8.00pm on Wednesday 15th May 2019 in 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 Grimscore 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, meet the people involved and have a cup of tea?

Gill Rowe Chair person tel 01327 830990





Campion School

We have enjoyed a very successful Spring Term at Campion. The whole school community joined together for our House Launch which brought together students from across all year groups and showed great teamwork in action. We were supported by our HandS Parent Team who continue to raise funds for the school - new members are always welcome!

Congratulations must go to our Year 10 Young Enterprise Students for winning the trophy for Creativity and Innovation at the recent regional competition. Our Duke of Edinburgh programme continues to be hugely valuable and popular too. Most recently 21 students completed their Silver Award expedition. This involved 3 days and 2 nights out in the country using maps and compasses to navigate, whilst carrying all kit and equipment with them. All students were successful; they showed great grit, determination and support for each other. Well done!

Our Spring Term closed with a brilliant talent show and an Anti Bullying Showcase - congratulations to all who participated in these super evenings and to my colleagues for making these special events happen.

School will still be busy over the holidays with revision sessions taking place during the first week in readiness for GCSE and A Level exams which start very soon after we return. Some Year 11 students have already taken some exam modules with excellent results. We wish all the very best to years 11 and 13 during the forthcoming weeks.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our summer term production of *Lord of the Flies*; this will take place at 7pm on 24-26th April. Please see our website for details and how to book tickets. <http://www.campion.northants.sch.uk/40/school-news/article/211/lord-of-the-flies>

Claire Whitmore, Headteacher

Pattishall Good Neighbours

In March we had our AGM – after 10 years Alan stood down and Clive Millman was elected. The rest of committee was re-elected.

We had a return of the Homestead Singers in April which was, as usual, enjoyed by all. In May Margaret Burgon will be telling us about India.

June brings our first outing and we are visiting Milton Keynes Museum. Tea and biscuits on arrival and a light lunch all included.

We will always welcome new members to join us, or if you like come along as a visitor.

Ann Twyford 01327 831069

Cold Higham Garden Fete

Saturday 6th July 2-5pm. (Entrance Free)

Tombola, Games, Arts & Crafts

Children's amusements, Tea & Cakes

+ more

In Aid of Hall Funds

Come along and spend a pleasant afternoon with friends and neighbours at Cold Higham Village Hall. If you are interested in participating, such as

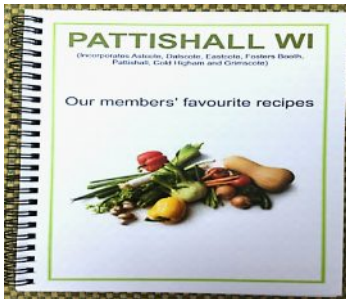
having a stall or display etc

providing homemade cakes/scones

donating to the tombola stall

or just helping out on the day

Please contact Steve Rowe tel 830990 email steve.rowe2@btinternet.com or Karl Lange tel 830040 email karl@langefamily.fsnet.co.uk



WI Recipes

A beautiful and useful spiral bound cook book with lots of deliciously exciting and mouth-watering 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.

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Tiffield Open Gardens

Monday May 27, 11.30 – 5.30pm

£5 per ticket per person

Many gardens will be open again with – we hope! – some new ones for you to enjoy. There will be a FREE bus going from garden to garden – it's a long way from one end of the village to the other!

Refreshments & light lunches served all day in the Church Room.

Pattishall Cricket Club

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 Kislbury (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

Gayton Open Gardens and Teddy Trail

Enjoy an afternoon out in Gayton on **Sunday 9th June** from 1pm to 5pm. Village Gardens will be open and there will be a **Teddy Bear Trail** to entertain younger visitors. **Stalls** include bric-a-brac, books, DVDs, jigsaw puzzles and plants. You can also enjoy **afternoon tea** with homemade cakes and cream teas in the church.

Admission adults £5, children £2.50, Family Saver Ticket £12. Get your tickets and maps from the church. Follow the signs for Parking.

Raising Money for St Mary's Church, Gayton.

Further information: 01604 859645 or Gayton Village website gayton-northants.co.uk



Canons Ashby

This year we've been focussing on improving the biodiversity of our green spaces. In April we ran seed bombing in the paddock, where the public helped us fill the space with wildflower seeds by throwing seed bombs at our targets.

Hopefully over May and June you will see these wildflowers thriving in the paddock, and plenty of happy bees and other insects buzzing around them. Over the next few years we hope to continue to focus on improving the health of our habitat and making our space a welcoming environment for plants and wildlife.

On 25 May we are launching a new children's trail about moths and butterflies, so the kids can learn something new about nature too. Little ones can explore the parkland and earn a sticker for having a go!

Check visitor opening hours, events and find out more about the work that's going on to care for Canons Ashby on our website. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/canons-ashby

What's on?

We have plenty of events and activities listed on our website. Here are just a few highlights.

Information about visiting, our history, work and projects, and upcoming events can all be found on our website www.nationaltrust.org.uk/canons-ashby. You can follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram at @CanonsAshbyNT

**25 May –
23 August
10-4pm**

**Moths and
Butterflies
Family Trail**

Flitter and flutter across the parkland looking for our British butterflies and moths, then pick up your sticker from the Coach House shop. Normal admission prices.

**8 – 23 June
10-4pm**

**Father's Day
Trail**

Explore the grounds and discover fascinating parts of Canons Ashby you might not normally notice. Also suitable for Grandads, Mums, Aunties and anyone else who wants to have a go. Normal admission prices.

**Sat 6 July
6-8ish**

***Sense and
Sensibility*
performed by
Pantaloons**

Elinor Dashwood has a lot of good Sense. Her sister Marianne Dashwood has an excess of Sensibility. Together they make a snappy title for Jane Austen's classic novel of scandals, scoundrels and severely sprained ankles. This funny, fast-paced and faithful new adaptation from the critically-acclaimed The Pantaloons Theatre Company features live music, audience interaction, romance and heartbreak. Adult £15, Child £10, Family of 4 £40 (2 adults 2 children) Pre-booking essential.



Pattishall & District Food & Produce Show

Spring Update

We hope that everyone has Sunday 8 September 2019 in their calendar for the annual Produce Show; the full schedule will follow in the summer edition of 'Around Pattishall'. We wanted to draw your attention to a few changes and reminders:

The children's and young people's age groups are now

- ☐ Up to and including 6 years old
- ☐ 7-9 years old
- ☐ 10-14 years old

New cups are being purchased for these age groups, which we hope will encourage more children and young people to enter.

Remember, anyone who lives, attends school, or has grandparents in Pattishall or Cold Higham parishes may enter items in the show.

Children may also enter any other section of the show (except the age groups in section L that they aren't in).

Since our younger villagers might be giving us a run for our money this year, we thought it only fair to open the "tallest sunflower" category to all ages – grown-ups included. Let's see a bit of friendly family competition to see who can produce the biggest & best sunflower!



Pimms & Pudding with Chocolate Fountain

Sunday 7th July *Pimms & Pudding with Chocolate Fountain* at Holy Cross 3-5 pm.

Primary school age free, otherwise £5 entry. Proceeds for New Carpet and Repairs.

Birthday Thank You

Just to say a big thank you for all my beautiful cards, flowers, presents and lovely comments made in my Memories Book in celebration of my birthday.

And a special thanks to the ladies of Pattishall WI for all your kindness and friendship.

Thanks all.

Val Stephenson xx



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PATTISHALL WI - MONTHLY PROGRAMME

**Resolutions
8th May 2019**



**Members Evening
12th June 2019**



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**Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in
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For further details please contact

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Preview Entry 6 - 6:30pm: £9
Pre-Booked General Admission 6:30 - 8pm: £5
On the Door General Admission 6:30 - 8pm: £6

On the Door tickets will only be available if the venue has not reached capacity. Cash is the preferred payment method on the night.

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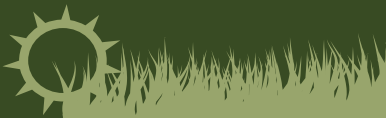


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or Ann: ann.atkin51@btinternet.com 01327 830907

WOMEN'S LUNCH AND TALK AT ASTCOTE CHAPEL THURS. 12-2PM

23rd May (1 week early)

**Helen Walton,
Leprosy Mission**

27th June

**Caroline Gooch,
Age UK Northamptonshire**



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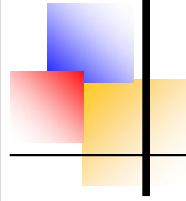
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Cold Higham Parish Council

New Councillor. At its meeting on 21st March, the Council co-opted Danny Everest Hayes to fill the vacancy on the Council. Danny lives in Cold Higham village. The Council thanked him for his interest, and welcomed him most sincerely.

Litter Pick. Very many thanks to the gallant crews who turned out in Cold Higham and Grimscote on a bright, sunny Sunday morning on 24th March. The general consensus was that slightly less rubbish was collected than in previous years – a good sign, perhaps? (Post script. Why do coke cans and fast food wrappers appear again immediately after the litter pick?!)



Getting on parade in Grimscote



Recuperating in Cold Higham

Annual Parish Meeting. This was held before the Parish Council meeting on 21st March. A summary of the year's activities was given, including: the turnover of personnel; introduction of GDPR; parish upkeep (trees and grass cutting remain our largest financial commitment); Remembrance Sunday. The full report can be viewed on the web site (<https://www.coldhigham-pc.gov.uk/uploads/apm---chairmans-report.pdf>).

New Street Lights. The PC has been lucky to be granted money from the New Homes Bonus scheme, run by SNC, to replace some, at least, of our aging street lights. This will save the Council a considerable amount of money over time, cut our carbon footprint and give greater flexibility in running the lights. The PC will now be seeking the best providers of the new LED lights, and working out which lights are highest priority for replacement. The project will take several months to complete, and before contracts are awarded there will be a parish consultation/briefing. This has provisionally been booked for Thursday 8th August at 7pm in the parish hall. More details will follow, on the web site and in Around Pattishall. The PC is most grateful to SNC for the grant.

Local Crime. There would seem to be a sharp increase in local crime, particularly theft from and/or damage to vehicles. Both have been reported in Cold Higham and Pattishall. The PC advises all residents to be particularly vigilant at present, and report anything suspicious to the police on **101**.

Communicating within the Parish. The PC has been looking for efficient ways of keeping parishioners informed about very local information/activities. The recent spate of crime locally has propelled this to the fore. We are therefore trialling a scheme called Nextdoor. Each neighbourhood (e.g. CH Parish) creates a private Nextdoor website that is accessible only to the residents of that neighbourhood, and is password protected. Once someone joins they can find neighbours in the resident directory, view a neighbourhood map, ask for and give advice (e.g. a good babysitter), exchange local recommendations (e.g. a decent restaurant), and share information with each other (e.g. crime activity, village fete) etc. But only people within the defined neighbourhood will be allowed to join.

The PC has set up the CH Parish Nextdoor web site and arranged for invitations to CH Parish residents to be sent (usually by post card). Each address has to be verified to ensure that the scheme is truly local. Once enrolled, a member can opt to be emailed new posts and comments as soon as they occur; receive everything in a daily digest; or turn off all emails and check the website for new content when convenient. Nextdoor can be used on a computer, tablet or smart phone. The scheme is completely free, and no personal data will be used or sold for marketing purposes.

For more information see https://help.Nextdoor.com/s/?language=en_GB. The PC hopes this will greatly improve the sense of community within the Parish.

Good Neighbour Scheme. As part of our continued support of our community the PC is also considering introducing the "Good Neighbour scheme". This is run by local people to provide day-to-day support for other residents who may need help on an occasional or regular basis. The scheme provides a social 'safety net' for our villages and the local area. As part of the scheme volunteers complete practical tasks (such as driving or shopping) and/or provide emotional support (befriending).

The Good Neighbour Scheme is for residents of all ages. All the scheme's services are free, unless expenses such as petrol or parking have been incurred. Donations for running costs are usually welcomed with funding provided at a national level. It is open to all residents within an area, and people can be both users of the scheme and volunteer.

Rural parishes are having to become more resilient and self-supporting, particularly with the impending local government reorganisation. This is why we believe the Good Neighbour Scheme would be a welcome service to the Parish. Tackling loneliness and social isolation is something we can all help and support with, especially when the hard to reach & possibly loneliest are not on anyone's radar. More details later.

Parish Council Meetings. The PC meets eight times a year, generally on the 3rd Thursday of the month (not in April, August, December or February) at 7.30 in the parish hall. All the year's dates are on the web site. Members of the public are always welcome to attend. Agendas and Minutes are available on the web site (meeting papers can most easily be accessed via the relevant meeting on the 'What's On' pages). The next meeting, on 16th May, will be the PC's AGM.

Digby Carter, Chairman, 01327 830521

Pattishall Parish Council

The council meets at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall on the second Thursday of each month, except for August when no meeting is scheduled. An agenda and draft minutes are available on the Pattishall Parish website (www.pattishallparish.org.uk) 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
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Mark Mitton	mbm@pwc.uk.net 359400: <i>planning</i>
Martin Gardner	gardnermjuk@yahoo.co.uk 831671: <i>Neighbourhood Plan</i>

Two new councillors joined the Council in March and we welcomed Jayne Hawtin (Jayneyh40@gmail.com) and Phil Parris (philparris@hotmail.co.uk)

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.

Grass Mowing

The mowing around the parish has started, perhaps a sign that spring and better weather have appeared! The feedback to date has been good and we would like to know your thoughts about the verges, greens and play areas around the parish.

Play Equipment

The chairman, Roger Clarke, has attended a course on how playground equipment should be tested for safety. He has produced a very comprehensive working paper for fellow councillors to use when they inspect the play equipment during the first week of each month of the year. Sadly, the zip wire is still out of use as the council are in dialogue with Kompan, the company that installed the equipment, insisting that they make good their faulty installation as it is still under guarantee.

Dogs & Footpaths

It has been noted that there are dogs roaming around fields and not being kept to footpaths. At this time of the year with pregnant sheep and young lambs skipping around it is important that dogs are monitored more closely. Please ensure that your faithful friend is either walked on a lead or is kept to footpaths at all times.

Neighbourhood Watch

There has been a spate of burglaries in the area, mostly from parked vehicles, including removal of number plates. It is important to report any such activity straight away either to 999 or 101 and, whenever possible, to get the number plates of any suspicious vehicles. The police would be interested in any appropriate CCTV footage. This

criminal activity can be reduced by all residents being more aware and do please be an active participant in your local Neighbourhood Watch. Details may be obtained from the Parish Website.

Allotments

It appears that all the available allotments are allocated and that the Association is deciding if more plots can be made available by tackling a rather overgrown area that presently is covered in brambles.

Old Burial Ground

The old hedge has been removed and new planting will ensue. The rest of the perimeter will be trimmed but there are no plans afoot to remove any more hedging.

Around Pattishall

The parish of Cold Higham has kindly donated £50 towards the printing costs of Around Pattishall as all households in that parish also receive a copy.

Litter Pick

The annual litter pick held on March 23rd was well supported with over forty people joining forces to collect litter throughout the parish. This year it was noted that there were considerably fewer bin bags – perhaps this could be a good omen for the future with there being less litter and less plastic.

Meetings

There will be two meetings on 9th May 2019: the Annual Parish Meeting at 7:15pm immediately followed by The Annual General Meeting of The Parish Council. The Chairman will also be giving a report on the charities supported within the parish.

The Parish Meeting is an opportunity for residents to raise any issue they wish to bring to the Council's attention. It is less formal than the monthly meetings and it is hoped that it will be well attended.



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Towards Towcester

MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS except Public Holidays

Northampton The Drapery bay 19	0918	1350	1750
Northampton Rail Station	0921	1353	1753
Sainsburys Gambrel Road		1359	1759
Sixfields 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	

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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
Northampton The Drapery	0755	0911	1059 1348

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Services

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Sunday Services, 10.30am. Services are generally informal. Family Services on the 3rd 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.

23rd May Helen Walton : *Leprosy Mission*

27th June 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 for all the family (usually led by John Atkin) on the 3rd Sunday in the month. Refreshments after the service: All welcome.

19th May & 16th June

Other Events

Messy Church 2-3.30pm 11th May at Pattishall School

Messy Church Picnic 3-5pm 8th June at Pattishall School

Plant Sale & Afternoon Tea – Saturday 1st June 2-4.30pm

Sarah Spade & The Noisy Boys – Friday 26th July 7.30pm – tickets from Ann Atkin on 830907

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

Date	Cold Higham	Gayton	Pattishall	Tiffield
May				
1st			9.30am BCP	
5th			10am Benefice Communion Archdeacon Richard	
Wednesday 8th			9.30am CW	
12th	9.30am Family Communion		11am Morning Worship	11am Family Communion
Wednesday 15th			9.30am BCP	
Sunday 19th	9.30am Family Service	11am Morning Prayer	9.30am Family Communion	
Wednesday 22nd			9.30am CW	
Sunday 26th		10am Benefice Communion		
Thursday 30th Ascension Day			7.00pm Holy Communion	
Daily Service from ascension to Pentecost				
Friday 31st	7pm Evening Prayer			
June				
Saturday 1st		9.30am Morning Prayer		
Sunday 2nd		9.30am Holy Communion	11am Family Service	9.30am Morning Prayer
Monday 3rd			7pm Evening Prayer	
Tuesday 4th				7pm Evening Prayer
Wednesday 5th	7pm Evening Prayer			
Thursday 6th		7pm Evening Prayer		
Friday 7th			7pm Evening Prayer	
Saturday 8th				9.30am Morning Prayer
Pentecost Sunday 9th	9.30am Family Communion		6pm Evensong	11am Family Communion
Sunday 16th Fathers Day	9.30am Morning Prayer	11am Family Service	9.30am Family Communion	
Wednesday 19th			9.30am BCP	
Sunday 23rd			10am Benefice Communion	
Wednesday 26th			9.30am CW	
Sunday 30th		10am Benefice Communion		

DIARY

May

- 1st Gardening Club: *Let's go Batty*, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 2nd Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field AGMs, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 5th Afternoon Teas at Holy Cross, 3-5pm
- 8th Hansons Valuation Day, Cold Higham Hall, 11am-3pm
- 8th Pattishall WI: *Resolutions*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 9th Good Neighbours: *India*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 1.45pm
- 9th Pattishall Annual Parish Meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.00pm
- 9th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 10th Acoustic Evening, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30-11pm
- 11th Messy Church, Pattishall School, 2-3.30pm
- 16th Cold Higham Parish Council Meeting (AGM), Cold Higham Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 23rd Well Group: *Leprosy Mission*, Astcote Chapel, 12-2pm
- 24th End of Pattishall School term
- 27th Tiffield Open Gardens, 11.30 – 5.30pm
- 29th Pattishall Camera Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm

June

- 1st Plant Sale & Afternoon Tea, Astcote Chapel, 2-4.30pm
- 2nd Afternoon Teas at Holy Cross, 3-5pm
- 3rd Start of Pattishall School term
- 6th Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 8th Messy Church Picnic, Pattishall School, 3-5pm
- 10th Hansons Valuation Day, Cold Higham Hall, 11am-3pm
- 12th Pattishall WI: *Members Evening-all to be revealed*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 13th Good Neighbours: *Outing*
- 13th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 16th Cold Higham Parish Council Meeting, Cold Higham Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 19th Gardening Club: *Summer outing to Broughton Grange*, 2pm
- 26th Pattishall Camera Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 27th Well Group: *Caroline Gooch, Age UK Northants*, Astcote Chapel, 12-2pm

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