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Daventry Brass Band

Concert at:

NEWNHAM CHURCH

Friday 7th June 7:30pm

Tickets £10

From Mary Wood 01327 872670

Janet Rees 01327 705394

Refreshments available



June 2024

No. 394

Badby ☿ Newnham ☿ Charwelton ☿ Fawsley ☿ Preston Capes

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Services for June 2024

	2 June I Trinity 1	9 June II Trinity 2	16 June III Trinity 3	23 June IV Trinity 4	30 June V Trinity 5	7 July I Trinity 6
Badby	11:00 Holy Communion CW [GS]	11:00 Morning Worship [Lay]	10:00 United Benefice Service of Holy Communion CW at Newnham [LT]	11:00 Morning Worship [Lay]	10:00 United Benefice Service of Holy Communion BCP at Fawsley [+EC]	11:00 Holy Communion CW [GS]
Newnham	X	X		09:15 Holy Communion CW [CP]		X
Charwelton	09:15 Holy Communion BCP (Church) [GS]	X		17:00 Evensong BCP (Church) [Lay]		09:15 Holy Communion BCP (Church) [GS]
Fawsley	X	11:00 Holy Communion BCP [CP]		X		X
Preston Capes	X	09:15 Holy Communion CW [CP]		10:00 Morning Prayer BCP [Lay]		X

OTHER SERVICES

Tuesday 18 June

6.30 pm

Badby

ESOW

SUNDAY READINGS

Principal Service CW

- for other services see Lectionary

Date	Feast	OT Reading	NT Reading	Gospel
2 Jun	Trinity 1	Deut 5, 12-15	2 Cor 4, 5-12	Mark 2.23 - 3.6
9 Jun	Trinity 2	Gen 3, 8-15	2 Cor 4.13 - 5.1	Mark 3, 20-end
16 Jun	Trinity 3	Ezek 17, 22-end	2 Cor 5, 6-10 & 14-17	Mark 4, 26-34
23 Jun	Trinity 4	Job 38, 1-11	2 Cor 6, 1-13	Mark 4, 35-end
30 Jun	Trinity 5	Wisdom of Sol 1, 13-15 & 2.23-24	2 Cor 8, 7-end	Mark 5, 21-end
7 Jul	Trinity 6	Ezek 2, 1-5	2 Cor 12, 2-10	Mark 6, 1-13

Interregnum services

As announced last month the service pattern has changed for the duration of the Interregnum. There may be further changes from time to time due to things such as illness, but the Benefice Council are working hard to try to keep such changes to the minimum so as to provide a consistent pattern, so please keep a careful eye on the Link to take account of that, and if in doubt consult your churchwardens.

FROM THE REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM



at Badby
on 12 May
Philippa Grace Marshall

at Preston Capes
on 15 May
Alice Matilda Clements

IN MEMORIAM



at Badby
on 26 April
Stephen John Hyatt

*Grant him peace,
and let light perpetual shine upon him*

*Shine as a light in the world,
to the Glory of God the Father*

EDITORIAL

I have over recent weeks spent many hours (which could probably, so I am told, have been put to more profitable use) sitting in my study watching a pair of robins building their nest, and now I suppose feeding their young, in the hedge opposite my window. It is a wonderful and heart-warming sight.

Sadly however, while the garden is buzzing with blue tits, none of them has taken up the offer of a home in either of our nesting boxes. It is the first time for many years that we have had no lodgers - I wonder what we have done to upset them.

Hedgehogs however are another matter. We seem to have a great number, and they are clearly moving up and down the village with little difficulty. At least 2 or 3 visit the feeding station outside our kitchen window every evening at dusk and seem to relish what one of our neighbours has dubbed the "high class food at Chez Pound!" Yesterday at Philip Turvil's Open Garden in Badby we obtained a hedgehog themed plastic arch to decorate the feeder. I hope they appreciate it!

Recently I discovered the origin of the phrase about something being a "red herring". Apparently it arises from the fact that when herrings are turned into kippers they turn red (well sort of anyway) and develop their very distinctive and powerful smell. If the kippers found their way (or were maliciously placed) in the countryside the smell would put the hounds off the scent of the fox. Incidentally if, like me, you are a fan of kippers, do try sometime to visit the traditional home of kippers at Craster. It is well worth a visit.



Childish joke of the month: "Why are there no painkillers in the Jungle?" "Because the parrots eat 'em all!"

And finally, looking around us at the state of the world today, a much more serious reflection from one of Blaise Pascal's Pensées:

"Man's unhappiness arises from one thing alone; that he cannot remain quietly in his room".

How very true, and how very sad.

David





Ruth Mackman, celebrant

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PASTORAL LETTER

Summer Thanksgivings

As we approach the 80th anniversary of D-Day, I visited the lovely Church of St James, just off the main street in Grafton Underwood near Kettering, to see the memorial window for members of the United States Air Force who flew from Northamptonshire to take part in supporting the Normandy landings and helped free Europe from evil tyranny in World War II.



The very striking window, entitled "Coming Home", shows a plane returning to base from a mission, but is primarily in honour to those who never made it home. On this most recent anniversary, it's good to remember with thanksgiving those who gave their lives for others.

Since 2022, the Church has also been beautified by the installation of three new sets of remarkable windows by the leading stained-glass artist of our time, Thomas Denny. A gift by the former Lord Lieutenant David Laing who died this year and his wife Mary, their

family motto is "Let your light shine". The light truly shines through the glass, warming the chancel with a rich depth of colour. Their themes are sun and moon, darkness and light, pilgrimage, the Sower, the walk to Emmaus, and Jesus the light of the world. They feature butterflies and planets! I think they are absolutely stunning. It is a beautiful witness to Christ and his transforming light.

St James's is open every day and well worth a visit for a few hours of reflection. I cannot recommend it highly enough. And as a bonus, the story of the windows' creation is told in a fascinating 30 minute film available at www.thomasdenny.co.uk

With my love, thanks and prayers,

John, Bishop of Brixworth

BENEFICE PAGE

EVENING SERVICE OF THE WORD

This short service is held once a month on the Tuesday evening following the third Sunday at St Mary's Badby at 6.30pm. There is always a brief talk about someone inspirational. All welcome! The next dates are 18 June and 23 July.

FAWSLEY'S CONTRIBUTION TO D-DAY

John Giles was a young boy living on the Fawsley estate during the war. The Hall had stood empty since the end of the first world war and John's father, as Estate Foreman, held the keys. On 8th September 1940 an army officer called for the keys as he wanted to survey the Hall for possible use by the army. Shortly after he had left for the Hall the telephone rang and John's mother was told to get a message to the officer as soon as possible. So, she cycled up to the hall and delivered the message to the officer who departed immediately. Only after the war did John and his mother find out that the one word message "Cromwell" was a code word devised by Winston Churchill to be sent out if intelligence indicated that a German invasion was imminent.

The invasion alert was a false alarm and in 1941 the army turned up at Fawsley Hall and established the headquarters of a unit which became the 27th Armoured Brigade. The regiments forming the Brigade had their own training areas but to train the headquarters staff a firing range was established in the park together with various hard stands for tanks and for tank turrets. This Brigade played a key role on D-Day as it was equipped with amphibious tanks and they went ashore with the infantry on Sword beach as support. Thereafter the Brigade was involved in heavy fighting through Normandy and the fighting for Caen.

As well as the British army the park was used by the US Airforce. A special unit of B24 Liberator bombers, (the "Carpetbaggers") had been converted for night flying and was tasked with dropping supplies and agents to resistance groups in occupied Europe. This unit flew from nearby Harrington and used the park to practice these night-time drops. Nearer to D-Day American paratroopers from the 101st Airborne Division (the "Screaming Eagles") practised airdrops in Fawsley park. They were dropped behind Utah beach on D-Day to secure the exits.

On one occasion the Americans requested that a boat be made available on the largest lake in case any of the paratroopers landed in it. John had a small boat and accompanied a service man in it. His parents were horrified as he could not swim at the time and as the boat was very small it would have probably capsized had a fully equipped paratrooper tried to climb aboard.

Luckily the exercise went off with no incident and the US Airforce supplied some films which were projected in the Great Hall and much appreciated by the British service men and the locals, including John.

(With thanks to Pam Giles for the memories)

BADBY & DISTRICT FILM SOCIETY

Friday 28th Jun: Drawn to War (2022) Documentary profile of British wartime artist Eric Ravilious (1902-42), a much loved but hugely underestimated British Official War Artist. The film recounts a life as compelling and enigmatic as his art. You'll hear the voices of Tamsin Grieg, Jeremy Irons, Freddie Fox and Harriet Walter. "Ravishing Ravilious - a visionary who celebrated England in war and peace. [87 mins, Exempt certificate]

CONCERT AT EVERDON

Come and join The Knightley Singers at our wonderful summer concert. We will be singing songs from the stage and screen on Friday 12th July at 7.30 pm at the beautiful Church of St Mary in Everdon. The fantastic Platinum Boys jazz trio will add to what promises to be a great evening.

Tickets - £12 incl refreshments children free. Contact 01327 361386 or 01327 312433.



SUDOKU

[With thanks to Robin Baker]

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[Solutions on page 12]

PARISH NOTICES

BADBY

Correspondent - Geoff Pullin (gcsspullin@yahoo.com)
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	Reader	Sidesman	Coffee
2 June	J. Hall, J. Jordan	C. Nelson G. Nelson	A. Syred
9 Jun	F. Williams C. Wakeford	P. Wakeford C. Wakeford	C. Richards
23 Jun	J. Jordan F. Williams	C. Richards F. Williams	G. Morley

CHURCH SERVICES

Please check the Knightley Benefice website calendar for latest details of current Church services.

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR JUNE

W/b 3: Jan Cooper, Moira Cooper
W/b 10: Jo Hind, Judy Jordan, Gill Nelson
W/b 17: Ann Cotton, Monique Shortt, Ann Syred
W/b 24: Gillie Morley, Ann Skinner.

CHURCH FLOWERS

25 May - 8 June: Catherine Wakeford
8 - 22 June: Jackie Peel.

BELLRINGERS' OUTING

On 6 May a group of 14 Badby regulars rang at Tyringham, Lavendon and Cranfield followed by lunch at the Cross Keys. In the afternoon ringing was at Steppingley, Flitwick and Milton Keynes Village. A profit of £80 was made to go towards the rehanging of our bells!

Look out for Bell Sunday on 9 June and the branch ringing meeting on Saturday 15 June afternoon.

BADBYSINGS

Sing for fun every Tuesday from 7.30 to 9 pm in the village hall. We welcome you, whatever your ability. £1.50 per session. If interested, please email badbysings@gmail.com.

COFFEE MORNING

St. Mary's coffee morning will be on Tuesday 18 June, 10.30am till noon. All are welcome to share in the coffee, cake and chat.

PARISH COUNCIL

Michael Thompson, a resident for 30 years, has been elected as the Chair of Badby Parish Council, replacing Steve Chandler who has worked tirelessly for the village and remains a councillor. Michael is happy to be contacted by villagers who want to give feedback or offer support.

The council has appointed a new clerk - Paul Hymers. Paul will be taking up his duties fully in August. Warmest thanks go to Frances Williams, whose excellence and professionalism in the role have been recognised and appreciated by the village during her term of office.

There is a vacancy for another parish councillor. How about it? Whatever your skills are, I'm sure we can use them.

VILLAGE HALL OPEN EVENING AND AGM

We will be holding an Open Evening and AGM at 7.30pm on Monday 24 June. Come along and see what the hall can offer for your event or party over a glass of wine, including a demonstration of the new sound and video systems. We will be electing a new Chairman when Ken Morris steps down after 9 years. If you are interested in standing, contact Peter Cooper (Treasurer, 01327 703292) or Zeld Shapter (Minutes Secretary, 01327 872118).

SCARECROW FESTIVAL

Help is still needed on Sunday 8 September. Please get in touch with Ruth McBeth if you can offer your time before or during this community event.

BADBY AND FAWSLEY WI

We will be learning how to do the Charleston on Thursday June 13th with Emma Pettit. Promises to be a great fun evening for participants and spectators! Female visitors to this modern, lively WI are always welcome. If you would like to come along for a free taster session please contact Jan Cooper via email at jancooper2012@me.com or phone Moira Cooper on 01321 703292.

NGS OPEN GARDENS IN BADBY - May 2024

We had beautiful weather for Badby's NGS open gardens on 19 May. Five gardens were open and we had around 200 visitors, raising over £1,100 for the NGS nursing charities from ticket and plant sales. The delicious cakes and teas raised over £600 for the church too. Our grateful thanks to all involved in making this such a successful day.

Karen Brown



NEWNHAM

Correspondent - Ellen Henning
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THANK YOU

On behalf of our family thank you all for the huge number of cards and messages we received following Pat's passing. At the Church service Celebrating her life, so affectionately led by Rev Sue, we were overwhelmed by the love and support. She will always be remembered

Jeff Lawrence.

APRIL AT NEWNHAM CHURCH

Sunday 7th. There was a Holy Communion service followed by refreshment. This was the Rev. Malcolm Ingham's last service at Newnham before he leaves the Knightley Benefice.

Thursday 18th. The History Society held an event in the church at which there was a talk on the history of shoes.

Friday 19th. The Rev. Dawn Stokes acting Rural Dean and her curate visited the church to discuss services during the vacancy. A vacancy in a church is known as an interregnum.

Wednesday 24th. There was a Benefice Council-Meeting at Newnham Church. A Benefice Council-meeting is where representatives from all five churches in the Knightley Benefice meet to discuss matters that affect all the churches.

BRASS BAND CONCERT

Daventry Brass Band are playing at Newnham Church on Friday 7th. June at 7.30pm. The concert, with a break for refreshments, will last approximately

2 hours. The band will play light music, with some film music, as well as well known proms music. Ticket cost is £10. These are available from Mary Wood 872670, Janet Rees 705394 and Nick Beer 07544398463. You can pay at the door, but it helps, if we have an idea of how many are attending. We do hope you can come and enjoy an evening of light music.

**COFFEE MORNING AT HOME OF
MARY AND JIM WOOD**

There will be a Coffee Morning, in aid of church funds, at the home of Mary and Jim Wood, Hillside, School Hill, on Thursday 11th. July from, 10.30am to 12.noon. Tea, coffee, cheese scones and cake will be served. We hope the weather will be better than last year, nevertheless I think people enjoyed the morning even if we did have to stay inside.

NEWNHAM CLEANING ROTA FOR JUNE

2nd. June Mr. and Mrs Ferguson
9th. June Mr and Mrs Rees
16th. June Mr. and Mrs. Wood
23rd. June Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Wood
39th. June Ms. J Minor

MAY DRAW

Here are the prize winners for May
£50 prize - Mrs S Dolan No 37
£25 prize - Mrs B Taylor - No 47
£25 prize - Mrs A Brown - No 160

D DAY 80

Don't forget the Beacon on the 6th June. Correction from the last Link – the Beacon will be on Walkers Hill (the top of Poets Way) as usual. Fish and Chips on sale from 8pm. Music and a National Tribute before the Beacon is lit at 9.15pm

**NEWNHAM VILLAGE OPEN GARDENS AND
CRAFT FAIR**

30th June 1pm until 5pm

A range of gardens are open including some new to the event. They include some inspired by wildlife, art and sculpture and those maximising impact with minimum space.

A variety of local craft and food makers will have stalls. Refreshments in the Village Hall. £5 for adults children free.

**MUSIC ON THE GREEN
Saturday 13th July from 4pm**

Back once again, the event will feature music from Skatrain and our own village band, Nathan and Friends. BBQ from Maria's Kitchen, cakes by Hayley, a huge Prize Draw (please buy tickets to support the continued running of this event) and the ice cream van will be here too. Bring your chairs and enjoy the fun.

NEWNHAM WI

This month in the Village Hall at 7.30pm Newnham WI will be listening to Harriette Thomas on her subject The Hypnotherapist Zeitgeist. This sounds very intriguing and if you would like to join us to find out more about this interesting subject please do not hesitate to come along. We welcome visitors to our meetings for a small fee on the door, of £3.00 including refreshments. We look forward to meeting you and for further information about Newnham WI please contact Sophie on 07711123981 or Liz on 01327 704063 or Chris on 07927465404



CHARWELTON

Correspondent - David Pound
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	Reader/Sidesman	Flowers
2 Jun	Fiona Spencer	Graham White
23 Jun	Meryl Nicholls	Christine Burgess
7 Jul	<i>Penny Cory</i>	

Chapel cleaning	
June	Graham White
July	Meryl Nicholls

**CHARWELTON OPEN GARDENS
Sunday 30th June 1pm-4pm**

Charwelton village will have a wonderful eclectic mix of 10 gardens to view on Sunday 30th June from 1pm-4pm. Some of the gardens could be at the

Chelsea Flower show, some are equally informally beautiful and some are just there to enjoy. A couple of the gardens will have impressive artwork on display including stained glass, ceramics and paintings. Parking will be sign-posted off the A361 for £1.00 (cash) including a map showing which gardens are taking part. Weather permitting refreshments will be hosted at one of the gardens; if raining then at the Village Hall (cash). Plants and cuttings will also be available to buy (cash).

OPEN GARDENS HELPING HANDS

Are you able to help out with car-parking duty for the Open Gardens (signposting cars to the parking area, collecting monies and handing out maps). If you could spare an hour or two between 12.30pm and 4pm please get in touch with Dawn 07866 5572328 or Trish 01327 261817. Thank you.

VILLAGE HALL WIFI

The village hall now has Wifi!

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST PANTOMIME Sunday 29th December 1.30pm

Save the date! The Village Hall has booked the Northamptonshire based Laugh out Loud Theatre Company to perform their wonderful pantomime on Sunday 29th December 1.30pm. More details to follow but make a note in your calendar now.

100 CLUB

March No. 104 Graham Cory
April No. 1 June and David Pound
May No. 56 Kate Robotham.

WHIST DRIVE

The monthly Charwelton Whist Drive will be on Monday, 17th June at 7.30pm.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The APCM took place in the chapel on Wednesday 15th May where Graham White was duly elected as church warden. The other serving members of the PCC (Meryl Nicholls (Acting Chair), Elizabeth Bird, Norman Blenkhorn, Penny Cory and Peter Merrills) agreed to stand again and were re-elected.

FAWSLEY

Correspondent - Vacant

POTHOLES

The council has mended a few potholes in the road through the estate but left many which are just getting worse by the day. Potholes can be reported at fix.westnorthants.gov.uk and if we all report them as we find them they will have to come out and assess them for repair. As well as reporting their location on the map for the estate it is a good idea to report their size as only the deepest potholes will get repaired.



PRESTON CAPES

Correspondent - Claire Hoare
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	Reader	Sidesman	Cleaning
9 Jun	Luke Bridgeman	Heather Wilson	Beverley Brain &
23 Jun	James Delingpole	V Brassey	Ruth Quilter
Flowers Scilla Smith & V Brassey			

INTERREGNUM

The Benefice is now in interregnum until a new Rector is appointed. Please check the Link for service times.

Any other enquiries, please contact the Church Wardens

PERFECT PLANT SALE

We had a very successful morning on 13th May. The rain held off and over 100 people came [record attendance].

Many thanks to those who helped on the day: Anabel Lewis-Bowen, Maureen Franks, Roma Hughes, Penny and Mike Eves, Pauline Clarke, Peter and Scilla Smith, V Brassey and Tim Coleridge, without whom it could have not happened.

Huge thanks to those who supplied extra plants and cakes: Heather and Tim Wilson, Tic Bridgeman, Penny Eves, V Brassey and David Grahamslaw. The cakes were completely sold out, most of the

plants too.

Thank you to all those who came and supported this event. We hope to have raised over £2,000 to support our church expenditure.

EDUCATIONAL CHARITY APPLICATIONS 2024-2025 Academic Year

The annual circular inviting applications will be circulated by email, shortly [or hard copy to a few]. If you are under 25 years old at 1st August, you are probably eligible to apply, so please read carefully.

If by any chance you miss or lose your Application Form EGT. It can be resent if you email the Hon Secretary Beverley Bayne on educationalcharityprestoncapes@gmail.com or telephone her on 361627. Applications for the Charity before 29th June please

ALICE MATILDA CLEMENTS

It was with great pleasure that Alice Matilda Clements was baptised and welcomed into the Church of England on Sunday 15th May, by Bishop Edward Condry.

Alice's parents Lee and Charlotte got married on a dull, cold and wet day during lockdown in October 2020, with a congregation of 15. Their wedding postponed from the previous April due to Covid restrictions [when it had been a glorious day!]

Kevin and Suzie Smith, Charlottes parents, along with Lee and Charlotte have been most loyal supporters of our church. So it was a happy day to have the church full of their friends and family at the Christening.

CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY

On 27th April nine volunteers made an excellent improvement to a number of key tasks. Thank you to them all.

The Church roof rainwater gullies and drains are cleaned six monthly. The dry stored seat was put out. The main church pathway was smartly edged and mould on the railings was treated. Much fallen dead wood from the winter storms was cleared away and everything left looking so much better, thanks to the efforts of Tim, Roger, Sarah, David, Juli, Jason, Scilla, Peter and Claire.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our speaker this month will be from Northamptonshire's official bat conservation group and the meeting will take place at the village hall on Tuesday, 25th June, starting at 7.30pm.

Speakers/activities for the remainder of the year include a Dot Mandala Workshop on 23rd July, a talk by Steve Pateman, owner of the shoe-wear business that inspired the *Kinky Boots* film and musical on 24th September, and on 29th October Mark Francis will be telling us about his experiences at a contestant on the BBC's *Great British Sewing Bee*.

Guests and prospective members are welcome to attend up to three meetings per year. We make a charge of £5.00 to cover refreshments and expenses – for further information, or to book a place, please email PennyEves@aol.com or phone 01327-361656.

VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNING

This month's coffee morning will be held on Friday, 28th June, from 10.30am to noon. Just £1.00 for "bottomless" tea/coffee and biscuits (small extra charge for cake). Everyone welcome!

BYFIELD MEDICAL CENTRE

The Medical Centre has announced some changes to the provision of blood tests. Where such tests are requested by a hospital, as opposed to one of the Byfield GPs, they will now need to be done at that hospital who will make suitable arrangements. For further information contact the Medical Centre.



DIARY

This diary records the proposed dates of any benefice, parish or village events. We hope that this will help those planning such events to know what else is going on and therefore be able to avoid any unhelpful clashes of dates.

If you know, or become aware, of events which ought to be recorded please let David Pound, or your village Link correspondent, know.

Events known about so far are:

June

- 6 Newnham D-Day 80 Beacon
- 7 T4U Badby VH
- 7 Newnham, Daventry Brass Concert
- 13 Badby WI
- 15 District bell ringers at Badby
- 17 Charwelton Whist Drive
- 18 Badby Church coffee morning
- 24 Badby VH AGM
- 25 Preston Capes WI
- 28 PC VH Coffee Morning
- 30 Charwelton Open Gardens
- 30 Newnham Open Gardens & Craft Fair

July

- 2 Newnham PCC
- 3 Charwelton PCC
- 11 Newnham coffee morning
- 13 Newnham Music on the Green
- 16 Badby Church coffee morning
- 26 PC VH Coffee Morning
- 30 Badby PCC

August

- 23 PC VH Coffee Morning

September

- 3 Newnham PCC
- 4 Charwelton PCC
- 8 Badby Scarecrow Festival +
- 21 District bellringers at Newnham
- 21 Charwelton Macmillan Coffee Morning
- 24 Badby PCC
- 27 PC VH Coffee Morning

October

- 25 PC VH Coffee Morning

November

- 5 Newnham PCC
- 6 Charwelton PCC
- 12 Badby PCC
- 22 PC VH Coffee Morning
- 29 Charwelton Christmas Prize Bingo

December

- 29 Charwelton Beauty & the Beast Panto



SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

Solution No. 92

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Council Update

There have been two Parish Council meetings since the last update in the Link. We used the space in the May edition to advertise the vacancy for the Parish Clerk's role. Unfortunately, we have still not recruited to the position and would welcome any enquiries. Please contact us using the details above if you are interested.

Much discussion in our April and May meetings has focussed on end of year financial reporting, and preparing for some upcoming events. Our internal auditor has given our 2023-24 accounts a clean bill of health and they will soon be available for public viewing.

We continue to focus on **reducing vehicle speeds** in and around the village. We met a representative from the Highways Department at the Mounts Lane/Poets Way junction to highlight the poor visibility there, and the speeds at which vehicles have been recorded by the Weedon Road camera. As a result of the meeting, the Highways Department are exploring feasible options for reducing speeds around that site. The 30mph 'roundels' have been painted on the road at all the 30mph entry points and we have been awarded a grant of £1,500 towards the installation of entrance 'gates', which also serve as a speed reduction function.

It has been the busy time of year for **grass cutting and strimming** of the open spaces for which we're responsible. This year we opted for weekly cuts in the first half of the growing season which has proven to be a good decision in the light of good growing conditions. If anyone has issues or concerns with the grass mowing and strimming, please let us know. We continue to make progress with other village organisations on a **website for the village**, which will provide a single point of contact for all village information and updates.

We are supporting the **D Day Beacon on Walkers Hill on the evening of Thursday, June 6th**. We are hiring portaloos and arranging the taxi service from various points in the village, but the main attractions will be the traditional beacon, the fish and chip van and possibly some musical accompaniment....

On Sunday **June 9th**, **we are organising a Village Spring Clean**. We are appealing to people to help with cleaning the play equipment, washing the village signs or litter picking, meeting at 10.30am on the Village Green

Work by WNC Highways to tackle the **flooding around the village greens** and Badby Road has been ongoing to raise the kerb levels, with work still to do to clear drains and gullies.

The next Parish Council Meeting is Monday 3rd June, starting at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.

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