

Clarborough & Welham

Summer 2018 Newsletter

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From the Editor

2018 is quite a year with the RAF Centenary already celebrated, a Royal Wedding approaching and massive preparations already underway for the centenary commemorations of the end of the Great War in November. Local preparations for the latter, **Battle's Over** programme, are already underway, headed by your Parish Council. Of course, more immediately, we have Clarborough's Festival to look forward to!



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Hedge Planting

In January the Friends of Parish Pasture (FoPP) group was informed that their bid to the Woodland Trust for 420 free hedging 'whips' (small plants 150-400 mm tall) had been successful and would be delivered in early March. A planting schedule was planned and the dates published with a request for you, the residents, to come along to help plant the 'whips'. These dates were advertised on posters around the Parish.

Snow, snow and more snow arrived at just the wrong time! This delayed the delivery of the 8 boxes of 'whips', bamboo canes and tree guards and then prevented them being planted when they did arrive. Emergency contact with 'Muddy Fork', the wellbeing and mental health support charity based at the Idle Valley Centre in Retford, led to a quick positive response and the first 240 'whips' went in on 23rd March. The FoPP group are very grateful to 'Muddy Fork' for all their work. Paul Willcock, Chairman of the FoPP group said "It was a big day for all involved in both the Neighbourhood Plan and the FoPP group as this is the first planting in this major project for the Parish. We are very pleased that 'Muddy Fork' are part of this."



Editor's Note: see page 16 for more from Muddy Fork.

The following day the FoPP group, aided by three residents, planted another 180 'whips' to complete the second hedge. The two hedges, at either end of the



allotment area, total 90 metres of new hedgerow, which include ten species of plants to give food for wildlife and year-round colour in the hedgerow. A new home for wildlife. In addition, the same group planted a further 46 tree 'whips' in four areas of the Parish Pasture to produce 4 small copses. Supplied by the Retford Rotary Club, the

tree species are Hornbeam, Wild Cherry and Beech. On 26th March the FoPP group was given around 800 Snowdrops 'in the green' and these have been planted around those parts of the Pasture which will not be disturbed by work needed on the land. In addition, some Bluebells (English of course) have been planted and there will be more to come as the group has been given £100 by the Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust to buy pollinator plants to help promote pollinating insect species such as bumble bees and early butterflies.

Land work

During the spring (if it ever arrives) and summer the Parish Pasture will be sprayed, ploughed and, if necessary, sprayed again. This is necessary work to enable wildflower seed planting in late August. Users of the land are asked to observe all notices at these times.

Footpath

The current footpath across the land does not follow the legal line of the public right of way and has not done for 41 years! Currently the correct line is shown by red & white topped posts. Following the ploughing, the new line will be rolled in and residents are asked to use this new line, which is only slightly different to the current line.

Now the bad news!

While all this positivity was going on the FoPP group received good news and bad news from the BDC Tree Officer. The good news is that the large Ash Tree which is right next to the current footpath across the Parish Pasture is sound and looks healthy. The bad news is that many of the multitude of self-set Ash saplings have contracted Ash Dieback disease – *Chalara*. The diseased saplings are in the process of being cut out and will be burnt on site as they cannot be removed from the land. Residents are asked to be careful in the area where the saplings have been removed as there are very many small tree stumps left. These will take many months to remove. The FoPP group apologises for any inconvenience which this burning may cause – or may already have caused.

Parish Councillor Paul Willcock
friendsofpp2018@gmail.com

Broad Gores Housing Development: where are we now?

You will remember that as a major part of the Neighbourhood Plan it was proposed that there would be 38 homes build on 3.9 acres of the land between the two ends of Broad Gores. This is currently owned by Bassetlaw District Council (BDC).

The Parish Council was recently informed by BDC that Mee & Co Associates together with Lydia Mee Homes are in the process of buying the land. Immediate contact was made for a meeting where the developers outlined their plans for the site, including the hope that they will start building in March/April 2019.

The Parish Councillors present highlighted the main points of the Neighbourhood Plan as they apply to the site. The developers agreed to take these comments into account and provide an outline plan for the Parish Council to consider.

At the Parish Council meeting on 26th March 2018 the Parish Council established a sub-Committee to handle all contact with the developers.

WANTED!! – Dead or Alive

Are there any old, unused, computers or mobile phones lurking in your cupboards that you would like to get rid of? Laptops, desktops, printers, monitors, projectors, phones, all these things can be disposed of very safely and may benefit what, in my opinion, is a very worthwhile charity.

I am a member of a charity called, NPAC (National Police Aid Convoy), a charity founded by four policemen twenty five years ago, in response to a major international disaster. The charity is run completely by volunteers, with one paid member, the secretary. We fund and send approximately 26 containers a year to different countries around the world. The containers are full of unwanted furniture and other items from our schools and hospitals, items that would otherwise be destroyed. We are also supported by companies that provide new and unwanted items such as paper, pencils, uniforms, clothing, shoes etc.

Members of the charity visit, at their own expense, the countries that the containers are sent to in order to check that items are arriving at their destinations, and to assess further need. We also have trusted people we know, on site of delivery, to oversee distribution.

In order to fund the containers we send out we do house clearances, and we store items we receive in a warehouse near Mansfield from where, on Saturdays, there is a sale of second hand furniture.

NPAC has recently started dealing with a very highly accredited IT disposal company called Stone. When we collect a minimum of twenty five IT items Stone collect, clear and dispose of the items securely. In return, we buy from the company new computers suitable for use in the schools we send goods to, where children need to demonstrate IT skills in order to achieve their qualifications.

So, if you are cluttered with IT items that you need to dispose of securely, please think of NPAC, and contact me on Retford 708 181.

Val Waring

Clarborough Festival & Scarecrows

Clarborough Village Ventures's Clarborough Festival will take place in and around Clarborough Village Hall on Sunday 20th May from 10:00-16:00. Entrance is FREE.



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A packed programme will include our usual wide range of activities and spectator opportunities including classic cars, tractors, martial-arts and dance demonstrations, Add to these face painting, bouncy castle and a wide range of local craft stalls plus refreshments, ice-creams, BBQ and beer tent. Oh, and of course, our traditional dog show. The Festival also includes the culmination of our annual Scarecrow competition.

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Community spirit recognised

Paul and Sandra Harpham were presented with an Achievers Award at a packed celebratory evening at Worksop Town Hall on March 20th along with others who had given to their communities. They were nominated as



they are always at the heart of the village and always help out whenever there is a need. They belong to a group from Clarborough Church which over 10 years ago started a monthly car boot sale, first in Jill's field and then in the village hall as a table top sale. This developed, not only into a fund raising situation but also a friendly coffee morning where, browsing amongst the 23 stalls, everyone can have a chat and catch up with village news. With their helpers they have raised approx.£3,500 per year for church funds, and so far paid for a toilet and tea bar as part of the major renovation.

Paul at Christmas also appears as a certain gentleman in red and this year had a helpful elf with him !

Thank you Paul and Sandra for all you do for us.

Kath Sutton

North Notts BID to Bring Free Wi-Fi into Town Centres by Early Summer

North Notts Business Improvement District (BID) is launching its second major project to install free Wi-Fi into the four key towns of Retford, Worksop, Harworth and Tuxford. The move is part of the BID's ongoing work to boost footfall and increase visitor interaction.

The system is being installed by Elephant Wi-Fi, a company that specialises in public Wi-Fi installation, management and support.

Elephant Wi-Fi's Dan Coombs said the system will ensure visitors to the town centres can access and receive a variety of information during their visit. "The Wi-Fi will allow the BID to engage with people and let them know about things such as special offers and other information.

"There will be a continuous signal which means people will be able to get connected and stay connected."

"All four locations will have infrastructure built in, which will mean we can future proof these areas to allow for future technologies such as digital signage."

Sally Gillborn, North Notts BID Chief Executive, said the Wi-Fi will be a real help to people visiting the town centres. "Being able to access the free Wi-Fi will enhance further the visitor experience to our towns and we're pleased the

system will be installed and operational in a matter of a few months."

Surveys, ahead of the actual installation of the Wi-Fi, are currently taking place, with the system planned to go live at the beginning of the summer.

There are currently around 300 Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) in the UK and these are generally towns, cities or industrial areas. North Notts BID is the UK's first ever district-wide, place-shaping BID.

The BID will receive £3.2m in funding over a five-year period, which is being introduced through a capped levy on businesses in the area.

Visit www.northnottsbid.co.uk for more details or North Notts BID Chief Executive, Sally Gillborn, at sally.gillborn@northnottsbid.co.uk

Retford Library Talk: In Search of Mayflower Pilgrim Susanna White Winslow

A talk by Sue Allan on Thursday 10th May 19:00 - 20:30.

Susanna White-Winslow

was one of only five of the original 18 women passengers of the



Mayflower to survive the first winter in the New World.

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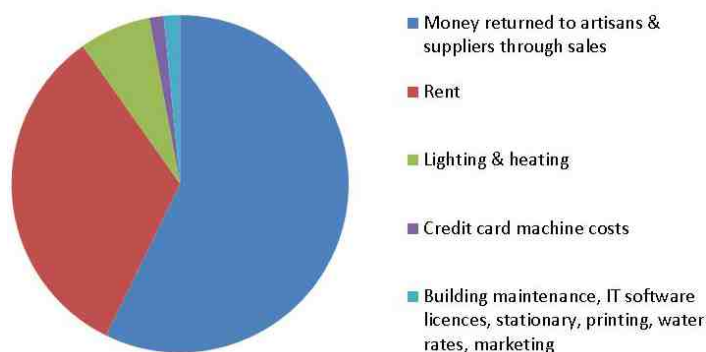
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The Retford Hub is now almost three years old, and, since opening, has returned over £50,000 to the local community. The pie chart below shows where the money goes.

Where the money goes



15,000 hours of volunteer time has gone into making this a viable and thriving concern. Volunteers, both young and not-so-young, have worked hard to provide local Tourist Information, to provide a showcase and outlet for local artists and artisans, and to sell local foods.

If you have not yet visited, do come to see what is on offer, look at the exhibitions in the gallery, and the Mayflower Pilgrims Museum, and have refreshments. You will be assured of a warm welcome.

Make Friends with Retford Hub

Our Friends is a growing group of supporters who feel passionately that The Hub is of social, cultural and economic benefit to Retford. By joining us as a Friend, you will help us to continue promoting Retford and its unique heritage, its artists and artisans, and its local products; ensuring the survival of our Tourist Information Centre and improving the area's economic well-being is vital for us and future generations.

How to join:

Contact The Hub online or call 07940 166 692.

Cost: £15 single £25 couple £30 family

Benefits:

- Invitations to our 8 Exhibition launches, including wine and nibbles

- Free Museum ticket per adult
- 10% discount on certain items in the shop and café
- E-newsletter and regular updates
- For families, in addition to the above, the offer of the chance to enjoy a year of family-friendly activities, including 1 exclusive special event.

Book through chris@retfordhub.org or (01777) 860 414

Local artist on display

Retired local art teacher Derrick Spence is to have an exhibition of animal artwork at The Hub in Cannon Square.

This will be his first exhibition for some years; he is delighted to have the opportunity to display his skills at The Hub. He has chosen to exhibit animal drawings and paintings, having recently joined the Association of Animal Artists. Derrick works mainly in pen and ink for his animal drawings, but also uses pencil and pastel, depending on the subject matter. The



pen and ink originals are then copied and he applies a watercolour wash on the copy for a coloured version. "I use this method, as the person who receives the picture has both a black and white original drawing

and an original colour-washed print."

The exhibition will be open to the public from 14th April 2018 until 19th May 2018. Derrick will be working in the exhibition area on some mornings should you wish to see him at work.

Another exhibition, by local artist Christine Howard, opens at the Hub on 26th May 2018. The exhibition, called "Hive", features bees, beehives and other busy insects that reflect Christine's ongoing fascination with the natural world. Christine's exhibition closes on 30th June. For more information about both of these events, see our community website (www.clarborough-welham.org.uk) then **Out-and-About ► Retford Hub**.

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Bassetlaw District Councillor Kath Sutton



Contrary to my last entry in the spring issue I have much to report as I have attended many meetings recently. I have attended three parish meetings which were *The Central Bassetlaw Forum*, the *Bassetlaw Parish Forum*, and the *Bassetlaw Rural Conference*. Here the following topics were covered:

One of the most important discussions concerned the General Data Protection Regulations which are passed through Parliament by May this year. These regulations place the data subjects, who give you their personal information, at the heart of the regulations. Our Parish Council has to check whether or not they are with the Information Commissioner's Office and check that they have declared themselves as a Public Authority. The Regulations are quite detailed and complex and a training session I attended later, confirmed that even the highly trained lecturer thought it was disturbingly complex!

Another change for our Parish Council is that Bassetlaw District Council have arranged for each parish to have a Parish Portal where they will be given much information which will prove helpful to them.

There was an event on March 15th in the Retford Town Hall Ballroom where the Planning Department held a session where villagers with information concerning their Neighbourhood Plans could share their expertise with others. I know that the experiences in our Clarbrough group were most valuable.

The Devolution update is that mayoral elections are progressing for the Sheffield City Region. Bassetlaw is still a member and with DN 22 is working with both for any possible funding opportunities.

We have our First World War commemorations to look forward to and Notts County Council has funding to help with this. Bassetlaw District Council is also hoping that we will support our local British Legion commemorations.

One of the most heart warming meetings I went to was a Safety Partnership presentation which outlined what is being achieved between the Bassetlaw/Newark and Sherwood Safety Partnership which deals with Community Safety. This involves multi-agencies – Police/Fire/Social Care/Councils/Charities, and deals with homelessness, rough sleeping, alcohol and drug abuse. There has been slow but steady progress in these areas, and various stories illustrated how hard this partnership works, the difficulties they encounter, but too, the many successes which spur them on.

Another positive meeting was a presentation by the South Yorks Bassetlaw Accountable Care System where one of the interesting facts stated was that Bassetlaw has the largest older population, but has been classed as having the best clinical care service in this larger area.

I also attended a planning training session which discussed the Revised National Plan Policy which stressed how there is now a requirement for planners to cooperate across boundaries. As Bassetlaw borders many authorities this has serious time and recourse implications and can infer

that we have to consider sharing unmet housing needs. Do we want to accommodate more housing for our neighbours? This was a sobering document and certainly there could be consequences for us all.

An interesting consultation concerns Bassetlaw District Council wishing to add to their regulations that any dog owner who is asked by an official to produce their cleaning materials to collect their dog's faeces and is unable to do so will be found to have committed an offence. Most people who were questioned appeared to agree with this as it stresses the importance of clearing up after your dog.

In conclusion I would like to thank our Parish Council for all their hard work. I attend many such meetings but I am continually surprised by how much individual hard work and involvement is shown by our local councillors. Many of them, outside the meetings, spend many hours working to improve our village life. I know that, like me, you appreciate all their hard work, and only have to read the lengthy agendas of our Clarbrough Parish Council to realise how much is involved.

Editor's note: see page 22 for Kath's contact details.

Volunteering Opportunities with Bassetlaw Action Centre

Bassetlaw Action Centre are eager to continue their much needed good work across the Bassetlaw area, but to do this they need residents like you.

Do you have a spare hour a week? Could you visit a lonely vulnerable person and have a chat and a cuppa? Or do you have your own vehicle and minimum 2 years driving experience, and could take someone to a doctor's appointment or to the shops. If so, please complete the volunteer application form online at

<http://www.bassetlawactioncentre.org.uk> or contact Bassetlaw Action Centre, Canal Street, Retford, Notts, DN22 6EZ Tel: 01777 709 650

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Flood Update

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Plans were made then for improvements so that the risk of flooding was reduced. Bassetlaw District Council planned to spend around £320,000 in 2021/22 on work, particularly to the course of Howbeck below Main Street. The money would come from a national fund, Nottinghamshire County Council and Bassetlaw District Council.

BDC has started to detail the project and has engaged specialist engineers. The initial work, modelling water flows, has identified that the risk of flooding is less than expected and the opportunity for winning funding from national sources may be reduced.

The Parish Council has published a Flood Prevention and Flood Management strategy (you can find a copy on the Parish Website). Parish Councillors recently met with experts from BDC and Nottinghamshire County Council to identify what can be done.

It was agreed that there will be a "Working Group" with members from the three councils. The working Group will investigate:

- what the modelling of flood risk shows;
- how this modelling relates to the experience of 2007 and 2014;
- what funding can be won for improvements
- what is the best action to take to remove trigger points causing flooding and
- what changes can be made in the catchment area above the villages to reduce the volume of water arriving down Howbeck and over the fields into Little Gringley Lane and along the A620 through the villages.

There is no definitive list of properties that were flooded in 2007. If your home or business was flooded then, please let us know by email to candwflood@btinternet.com. This information will help build the case for national funding.

People living in properties adjacent to a watercourse are *Riparian Owners*. The Environment Agency has a guide to your rights and responsibilities as a riparian owner called

Living on the Edge This is available on the website www.environment-agency.gov.uk.

Nottinghamshire County Council also publishes a leaflet titled *Riparian Owner Responsibilities & Roadside Ditches*. This is available on the website www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/flooding.

If you have any questions or comments about flooding issues, please email candwflood@btinternet.com

Andrew Avery
Clarborough & Welham Parish Councillor

Retford Business Forum presents cheque to Bassetlaw Hospice

Retford Business Forum recently agreed to donate the funds achieved from the fair at the Retford Christmas Market in 2017 to Bassetlaw Hospice.



[Left] Bassetlaw Hospice Community Fund Raising Co-ordinator, Debbie Rawlings, accepting a cheque for £400 from Rick Brand, Chair of Retford Business Forum and Steve Walker, Vice-Chair of Retford Business Forum.

Debbie Rawlings said: "Bassetlaw Hospice is delighted to be Retford Business Forum's partner charity. The Hospice

serves all of the people in Bassetlaw and we look forward to continuing to work closely with Retford Business Forum in the future."

Rick Brand said that Retford Business Forum has some exciting plans for the future in support of Retford and the surrounding villages to attract more visitors and businesses to the town, and further enhance the experience of residents. Working with Bassetlaw Hospice to jointly develop ideas will be especially rewarding as there will be opportunities to raise even more funds for this vital local charity.

Retford Business Forum's next meeting will be on Monday 14th May 2018, 5.30 for 6.00pm, in the Council Chamber, Retford Town Hall. Members include a wide variety of businesses, not-for-profit, community and charitable organisations, and individuals who freely give their time to help Retford and its surrounding villages prosper, and continue to be a great place to live.

The Forum is currently looking for a Secretary, please contact: chair@retfordbusinessforum.org.uk or 01427 891 376 for further details.



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Wildlife on the Banks of the Chesterfield Canal

The North Nottinghamshire Group of the British Naturalists' Association have been recently involved with the Canal and River Trust. As part of a local agreement the group have undertaken to assist the East Midlands Ecologist, Imogen Wilde, to monitor the East section of the canal, Retford to Misterton. They have undertaken responsibility for monitoring all the local wildlife along the canal banks. This section of the canal is designated as an SSSI site, a site of special scientific interest, due to some of the unusual aquatic plants and flora to be found there.

Two of the sites rarities are *Potamogeton x lintonii* and the *Nitell mucronata*. This site has also recorded the presence of the riffle beetle *Stenelmis sexlineata*. Normally these plants are resident in brackish, eutrophic (nutrient-rich) water. The BNA is privileged to have Spike Walker as one of its local members, as an experienced micro-biologist, he will be able to assist local members in seeking out these illusive plants.

For the last two years the Association has been involved in recording butterflies along the Barnby Moor section of the canal in association with the Canal and River Trust.

In August 2017, this agreement was ratified by the signing of a Partner Group Agreement between the Association and the Trust, and in February 2018 the keys to allow us to access the Trusts Drakeholes Depot were given to Richard Hall by Imogen Wilde the East Midlands Canal and River Trusts Ecologist.

This local group is very small and we are keen to attract a few new members into its ranks, to work on this specific local project. Membership is only £20 and concessionary rates are only £15, additionally extra family members only pay £4 each. Contact Robert Tansey at drrobert.tansey@talktalk.net We don't need experts but a sound interest is always helpful.

Some members also work at sites belonging to the Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust, where they undertake



small mammal live trapping surveys, using the standard Longworth Trap and the new Bio-Tube Traps. All work at these sites is independent, but in association with the Notts Wildlife Trust.

So generally we spend up to a couple of days per month, out netting butterflies, moth trapping, checking out strange insects, monitoring water voles, catching small mammals etc.

Alongside this we undertake evening moth trapping, and bat detecting, mainly in the vicinity of the Drakeholes Canal Depot. So if you are interested in joining us, please do email Robert.

Dr. Robert Tansey

Scam e-mails

'Scam' means a dishonest scheme, a fraud or swindle. Emails are one of the most popular routes that fraudsters use to trick us into providing vital personal data to them. Firstly, however, a key useful tip; if you hover your pointer over an email's sender, after a second or two a little box appears with their email address – does it look suspicious? If so, delete it immediately.

There are a number of warning signs that an email is scam and a range of techniques to deal with them. We will explore this topic in more detail in a future article, but a couple of key points should make you suspicious. If it:

- has no subject..
- tries to hurry you by using words like urgent or important..
- is from a bank or similar. remember that the Banking code forbids them from asking for personal or account details this way.
- has attachments or links within it. Don't click on any links (blue in the body of the email) or open any attachments if you are at all suspicious.

Editor

Retford Amateur Operatic Society presents

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John Mann MP

In February, I published my research into Arts and Sports Funding in the former coalfield areas and on Tuesday, 20th February I held a debate in parliament to draw Minister's attention to this very concerning issue. Over the last ten years, the Arts Council have awarded just £1 in funding to former mining communities for every £8 awarded to London. A lack of access to theatres, concerts and museums puts children in the former coalfields at a severe disadvantage compared to their equivalents in London. The government needs to act to make sure every child has the same access, wherever they grow up. In Bassetlaw, children deserve access to world-class arts and cultural facilities and this will only be achieved with a proper arts funding distributed to former mining communities. I have been in touch with the Arts Council and will continue to pressure hard until Bassetlaw receives its fair share of the funding.

The Houses of Parliament are due to be closed to the public very soon to undergo refurbishment. It is expected that the Palace will not be opened again for another 10 years. I am therefore running a number of tours from Bassetlaw to Parliament so that members of the public can visit before the site is closed. It is a unique opportunity to be at the heart of British democracy and see parliament in action. If you are interested in coming on a tour, please email me at mannj@parliament.uk or call my office on 01909 506 200. Please note that all tours will take place on a Monday morning.

This year, we celebrate 100 years since some women first got the vote. On Monday 16th July I am inviting 100 Bassetlaw women to spend the day with me in the Houses of Parliament. The day will include a tour, access to the Vote 100 exhibition and will end with a reception in the Speaker's House.

This is a very special one-off event to celebrate one hundred years of women being able to vote. The right to



Email John Mann at mannj@parliament.uk or phone 01909 506 200 if you would like to join the trip.

The Second Parish Litter Pick

Sunday 25th March saw the second annual Litter Pick in the Parish, as part of the *Great British Spring Clean* campaign. A lower number of residents turned out this year at just 15, ranging from aged 5 to 75! The start was 10 o'clock, early enough but made worse by the clocks having gone forward in the night! The compensation was the serving of hot bacon rolls and coffee at Clarborough Village Hall.

After the usual safety messages given by Parish Council Chairman Phil Gibson the pickers were issued with 'high vis' jackets, gloves, bags and mechanical 'pickers', chose their area to pick and then set off in couples or individually or one family group. The weather was sunny and warm.

Just one hour later they all gathered back at the Village Hall with their brimming bags. A total of 24 bags of litter, which is 3 times higher than last year, despite the lower numbers involved. The worst areas for litter are the A620 into and out of the Parish, especially over Clarborough Hill and near the Hop Pole pub. The area by the pub yielded 6 bags – yes 6 – and the pickers said they could have picked all day and not finished! How disgraceful is that?



'Finds' in the different areas included a length of piping, a 'mop bucket', an electric wing mirror, toothbrush and razor (how did they get there?) and numerous bottles; wine and lots of gin bottles!

The main culprit was, as you might expect, a result of purchases at McDonald's, Co-op take-away sandwiches and other take-away food! If you live in the Parish and 'chuck' your waste then please don't – just take it home - or we will all disappear under a mass of plastic and glass.

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vote allowed women to be able to participate in our democracy and was the step-change to the introduction of legislation and regulations that have enabled women to play an equal role in society.

I would like a wide range of women to come, of all ages and from right across the area. This will be a day of celebration of how far women have come in the last 100 years.



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Holocaust Memorial Centre Trip

Recently, members of the **Bassetlaw Youth Council** were given the opportunity to attend a trip to the Holocaust Memorial Centre which is located in Laxton, Nottinghamshire. Whilst there, we were given thorough guided tours, workshops as well as the chance to listen to a testimony performed by a survivor of the dreadful Holocaust. Before beginning a jam-packed day, we were introduced to the programme that we would be following throughout our visit and it started with a short clip analysing the Holocaust and its meaning. This historical mass genocide was summarised through some video footage, which explained what the Holocaust was for those who were unaware of it and why it's a defining moment in history that people so often reflect on.

Afterwards, we gained an insight into the various ethnic groups that currently live in the UK, particularly the ones in the local district of Bassetlaw. National statistics were included in the questions we were all asked about these various groups and we worked collaboratively to answer these.

Later on in the morning, we were provided with a look around the memorial gardens within the grounds of the centre. Surrounding the glorious gardens were numerous white rose bushes, however due to the current season of winter, we were unable to see the blossoming plants. Yet, we could clearly imagine the beauty of the white roses during British summertime. Whilst navigating our way through each area of the gardens, we were informed that this area of the centre is especially used as a place of reflection. Particularly, for the extended families of victims of the Holocaust. We gathered a sense of remembrance and respect when looking upon the engraved plaques which established the identities of victims, showing that these people will never be forgotten. Furthermore, every member of the youth council contributed to the ongoing creation of a stone memorial, which is dedicated to the millions of children's lives that were lost as a result of the horrific event, by placing a stone amongst thousands on a pile.



Once we had finished our tour of the outside of the centre, we entered an underground exhibition that highlighted the key and significant events of the Holocaust. These included shedding light onto Jewish lives prior to the Second World War via many old photographs that captured joyful memories. Continuing through the exhibition, there was a room that displayed the Nazis' rise to power and

Hitler's dictatorship alongside the actions that were performed towards the Jews at this time. A separate room within the exhibition showed the aftermath of boycotts such as Kristallnacht, (the night of broken glass.) Further down the exhibition, we came across many artefacts from the Jews that suffered the terror and endured the dreadful pain of concentration camps, including the striped clothes worn by prisoners. The tour of the underground exhibition came to an end when we were taken through the liberation of prisoners that were kept captive in camps and what happened to these people once the war had ended. At this point, there was a feeling of closure as the torture that the prisoners had to endure came to an end. Finally, we recognised the heroes of the war at the end of the underground exhibition when shown certain individuals and their heroic work during the Holocaust.

After a while, we all listened to a testimony directly from an actual survivor of the atrocities of the Holocaust. By sharing his traumatic experiences, we began to comprehend all the emotions and feelings of Jews who were obliged to follow the laws which applied specifically to them during the Nazis' reign. Hearing the survivor's journey through the Holocaust as a young boy, showed the realisation of the impact of genocides. As well as this, the testimony expressed the significance of telling stories today in order to prevent another massacre like the Holocaust from reoccurring. Due to the survivor's testimony, we gained a clearer understanding of daily life for Jews and other ethnic groups during World War Two.

The day didn't stop there as we were guided through another exhibition entitled 'The Journey.' We followed the story of a young German boy and the adaptations he and his family had to make as Jews living in a Nazi-controlled Germany. Every room within the exhibition was filled with valuables and artefacts, including some that were owned by the famous Frank family. 'The Journey' exhibition also expressed how many Jewish children travelled on the kinder transport, which was organised by the British Government in order to help children escape persecution. Learning specifically about children who suffered during the Holocaust was eye-opening for all.

To conclude a day filled with learning and discovering more about the Holocaust, we reflected on what we had seen on our visit by participating in a final workshop. This involved us all writing our feelings and emotions towards the survivor's testimony that we had heard. Over all, members of the Bassetlaw Youth Council as well as staff found the visit thoroughly interesting and beneficial to our understanding of the historical mass genocide named the Holocaust and the importance of preventing genocides from happening in the future.

Mille Hayes

Editor's note: For more on Bassetlaw Youth Council, see both the advert for May's meeting on page 24 and also our community website's *Education & Training* ► BDC Youth Council page.

When it is obvious that the goals cannot be reached, don't adjust the goals, adjust the action steps.

Confucius (Chinese philosopher 551-479 BC)

Battle's Over – A Nation's Tribute

On Sunday, 11th November 2018, the United Kingdom and its friends overseas will mark the day 100 years ago when the guns fell silent at the end of the First World War.

Clarborough and Welham Parish Council

NEEDS YOU

You can play your part in remembering the sacrifice of millions of men and women by joining us in *Battle's Over*, a unique series of events in the morning and evening involving organisations and communities the length and breadth of our nation and in many countries abroad. This will include lighting the beacon at the top of Howbeck Lane.

We are looking for volunteers from Clarborough and Welham to help organise and support events as part of *Battle's Over*. Additionally we are looking for ways to commemorate this special day that are specific to the Parish.

We had an initial meeting on Tuesday 24th April in The Kings Arms but we need more volunteers, so if you want to help please let us know by sending an email to event100years@outlook.com with your contact details and we'll be in touch.

Stephen Bowler
Parish Councillor

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Your local computer classes continue in Clarborough Village Hall on Tuesday afternoons (13:30-15:00) or Wednesday mornings (10:00-11:30) at just £15 for a full 5-session block.

Our last full block of classes before the summer break will start w/c 18th June with autumn sessions then resuming w/c 17th September in the same time-slots.

With sessions always starting with a 'gardeners' question time' slot, what is actually explored in each session is very much in the hands of class-members. With our focus on Windows 10, the field is wide open, and with regular support from Anne, who delivers our iPad programme, almost anything can be tackled. Bring your own machine or borrow one of our Windows 10 laptops.

In recent sessions we have explored the wide range of open-source software that not only provides professional-quality coupled with Microsoft comparability but also comes completely free! Office suites and image editing applications are just two areas that are waiting to be explored. We can provide the installation downloads too. We also have experience in getting the best commercially produced (and cheapest) photos as well as thoughts on book publishing – come along to see what can be done. It's worth noting that this Newsletter that you are reading was produced in one such open-source office suite – Apache Open Office.

By the time you read this article our current block of classes (which started w/c/ 23rd April) will be underway but if you'd like to get a feel for what our sessions are like, please contact Greg to join a session.

You should also have spotted our article in Retford Life regarding our offer to potential tutors. We are not only looking out for volunteers to support class members but also for parents looking to use our experience as a stepping stone back into employment. With experience in reference writing and CV compilation, we could be just the place to re-engage with work-related skills refreshment.

To enrol, volunteer or just to find out more, contact Greg on (01777) 700 918 or clarboroughwelham@gmail.com

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*The following was received 5th April, 2018 – see below**

Victims receive a telephone call from someone purporting to be a bailiff enforcing a court judgement, attempting to recover funds for a non-existent debt. The fraudsters state the debt originates from the victim not paying a magazine advertisement subscription.

A variety of magazine names and publishers are being used by the fraudsters, who also commonly use the names of certified Bailiff Enforcement Agents such as "Scott Davis", "Stephen King" and "Mark Taylor". These are names of certified Bailiff Enforcement Agents employed by debt enforcement companies.

The fraudsters request that the debt be repaid by bank transfer. If the victim refuses, they threaten to visit the victim's home or place of work to recover the debt that is owed.

Once the money has been transferred, victims are not provided with receipt details of the payment or contact details. Later when victims make enquiries, they'll discover that the debt did not exist, and often that no advertisement was placed.

This type of fraud is nationwide. Since 2017, there have been 52 Action Fraud Reports relating to this fraud. From the reports received, there are a range of different businesses and individuals being targeted.

Protection advice:

- **Listen to your instinct:** just because someone knows your basic details, such as your name and address, it doesn't mean they are genuine
- **Stay in control: always question cold callers:** always contact the companies directly using a known email or phone number.
- **Don't be rushed or pressured into making a decision:** a legitimate company will be prepared to wait whilst you verify information.
- If you have been affected by this, or any other type of fraud, report it to Action Fraud by visiting **www.actionfraud.police.uk** or by calling 0300 123 2040.

Visit Take Five (**takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/advice/**) and Cyber Aware (**cyberaware.gov.uk**) for more information about how to protect yourself online.

To receive this sort of advice, and keep a finger on the pulse of local law-and-order information, why not enrol with Neighbourhood Alert. This free e-mail service is managed by East Bassetlaw Constabulary. See our community website's **Law-and-Order pages to join **Neighbourhood Alert**.*

Editor

A Blight of Quad-bikes

Your support is required to tackle a problem blighting our local communities. Nottinghamshire Police, in conjunction with Bassetlaw District Council and A1 Housing are working in partnership under the auspices of the local Community Safety Partnership, to tackle the issue of Quad Bikes which are having a negative impact on our local communities both in the rural setting and within our towns and villages.

This problem continues in those Rural Communities in East Bassetlaw.

The use of ANY machine, on land other than a road, is illegal, unless there is permission granted by the landowner first.

Any machine, which is used to access such land with permission, needs street legal insurance, if it at ANY time, is in a public place. That CAN include, whilst being pushed, or ridden to land where there is permission granted. Off-road machines often have no insurance and as a result the rider/user and owner are liable to prosecution and the machine can be seized. Of course, the lack of insurance could also expose the user to almost unlimited penalties if prosecuted for damage or injuries inflicted on third parties.

Nottinghamshire Police and partners will continue to take positive action against those who offend in this manner as this topic is one which is regularly complained of.

All members of our communities are encouraged to contact their local Police team, ASB officer or Housing Officer, if they know the users of, or the locations that such machines are being used or stored, this can be done anonymously.

Once again we are urging anyone who has any information as to where the quads are being stored and/or who is riding them to report this either directly to us on the non-emergency 101 telephone number. If you prefer to report this anonymously you can ring Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

Alternatively, Nottinghamshire Police web site has a link to your local Police team. See also page 22 for contacts.

Don't use social media to feed criminals!

Here we pick up on one of PCSO Dave Airey's previous Reports regarding careless use of social media. Firstly, let's hear from Dave:

'Please be aware of what is placed, and shared, on social media. Fraudsters do use social media to extract personal details from victims. By sharing a birthday on social media, especially milestone birthdays, this gives the fraudster your date of birth, parts of which are sometimes used by banks as passwords. Please also try to avoid posts disclosing when you are going on holiday. Do not always assume that the posts being shared with those you wish to, will not end up somewhere else.'

Dave's latter point is all too true as we all know – how many of these 'leaked' messages do you come across?

Editor

Law & Order

A few words from your local PCSO, Dave Airey, before he hands over to Nottinghamshire Police & Crime Commissioner, Paddy Tipping. Dave posts his monthly report about the local 'scene' in full on our community website (**Law & Order ► Local Police Reports**) so check these out for his full reports.

At this time of year Dave often apologises for the seasonal nature of his advice, but that is because it reflects regular crime patterns. With Spring underway, gardening/shed related thefts rise as also do house burglaries due to unlocked doors and windows – or even those left open!

Now over to Paddy Tipping...

Closing in on Knife Crime

Nottinghamshire has a new dedicated Knife Crime Strategy Manager to toughen the response to knife crime. This is a huge step and further proof of how serious we are to eradicate knife culture from our streets.

Currently, Nottinghamshire Police has the only dedicated knife crime team outside the Metropolitan Police and has given advice to other forces on how to deal with the problem. This new post is possible thanks to the additional funding we'll raise in 2018-19. Detective Superintendent Simon Firth, who has been appointed to the role, will work alongside partners to deliver a consistent prevention strategy across all



aspects of education, engagement and enforcement.

Keep on Talking

I'm delighted that so many people contact me, with problems, compliments and comments. This is particularly important as I need to be able to listen to your views and learn from them and also know that you can keep up to date with what my team and I are doing. Whatever I do, I am answerable to you, the electorate. You can contact me at any time to ask questions or put your views across.

You can visit:

www.nottinghamshire.pcc.police.uk

You can follow: @NottsPCC or Facebook NottsPCC

You can write to me at:

Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Arnot Hill House, Arnot Hill Park, Arnold, Nottingham NG5 6LU

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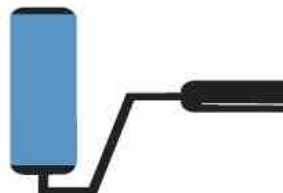
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Help Muddy Fork to grow more!

With the growing season now upon us (hard though that may be to believe

some days), Muddy Fork, local 'Gardening for Wellbeing' charity based at the Idle Valley Nature Reserve near Retford, is thinking not just about seeds and onion sets but also about the need to bring in more people to support the organisation in a variety of ways.

Our two days a week working in the garden would be difficult without our 'support volunteers', who work alongside participants referred usually by mental health agencies. With new referrals coming in regularly and places filling up, the need for additional support has also grown. Although no gardening experience is required, just an interest in working out of doors and a sympathetic attitude, we would also be glad to hear from gardeners interested in overseeing our planting plan and helping us to implement it.

Our new garden on the Babworth estate presents different challenges. This is used by groups of work colleagues, coming together for the day, often at weekends, to enhance wellbeing and team spirit. Extra support volunteers are needed to work with these groups – and the tasks at present are not so much gardening, more structural and site preparation.

It's not all the kind of gardening you do in your own garden either. We manage a willow holt on the reserve, are

developing a tree nursery, and grow reeds, as well as looking after our honeybees.

AND – if chopping, digging and planting are not your thing, we have other roles! Perhaps you have a talent in marketing, art and design? Or, we're also looking to develop the craft side of our activities, in particular by using our willow harvest, expanding our range of willow products and producing saleable items to generate income. We would welcome approaches from people who could support us in these efforts.

Perhaps there are good quality garden tools (or useful hand tools) lurking in your shed that we could have? (No pots please – unless they are very large).

Could we also ask you to like our Facebook page, and join our FB Group, and to like and comment on the posts. Please share our posts to other FB groups and your own time lines.

Alternatively, help raise funds painlessly by signing up and using 'Give as you Live' with Muddy Fork as your chosen charity. See below for the link.

Finally, we have a pressing need for a volunteer book-keeper, and are also seeking a new trustee. No need to get muddy at all! If you are interested in discussing any of these roles with us, please contact Dominic Schad:

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General Register Office (GRO) Extended PDF Pilot

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However, a money-saving option is currently being trialled by the GRO with, potentially, considerable savings to researchers. Read on!

Background

The General Register Office (GRO) is looking at different ways of providing civil registration services to our customers and as part of that it has looked to test the customer demand for providing records in a format other than a paper copy, via a Portable Document Format [PDF]. The GRO ran a pilot in three distinct phases between 9th November 2016 and 12th April 2017. It has been decided that the first phase of the Pilot will be extended from 12th October 2017, offering customers the ability to order a PDF copy of a historic birth or death record for a fee of £6.00. The intention is to run this extended pilot over a minimum of nine months, which will help the GRO better understand the level of demand for such a service.

Q1. What is a PDF?

Portable Document Format (PDF) is a file format used to present and exchange documents reliably and in a manner that is independent of user's software, hardware, or operating system. PDF was developed by Adobe in the early 1990s and is now an open standard that is

maintained by the International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) it's everywhere!

Q2. What records are available as a PDF?

The extended Pilot covers PDF copies of those historical digitised civil registration records held by GRO (i.e. birth entries from 1837 - 1917 and death entries from 1837 - 1957). A GRO index reference is required to be provided with the application. You can find the GRO index references by logging on to the GRO online ordering service and accessing the GRO online indexes. Readers will also have noted an article about using the online www.freebmd.org.uk site to access the same GRO index references – see page 19 of our Winter 2017 issue. A PDF will cost £6.00 each. *You will note that this pilot does not cover any marriage records.*

Q3. What will the PDF look like?

The PDF image is an extract from the historical record of the event. It will contain the same information that is present in a certificate apart from the official crest and signature of issuing authority. The image may contain some imperfections as the records date from 1837. **A PDF will have no "evidential" value, and therefore a paper certified copy [certificate] is required for official purposes, e.g. if applying for a passport, driving licence, or where required to give notice of marriage.**

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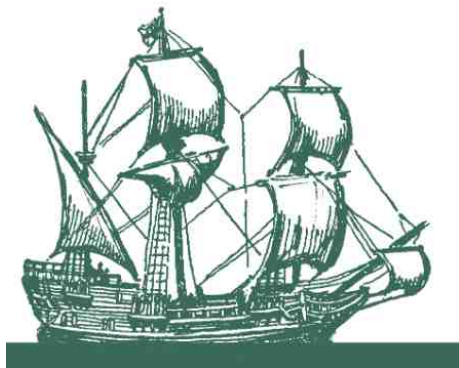
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Pilgrim Roots Project

The 2020 Mayflower commemorations will mark the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower ship sailing from England to America. Many of the Mayflower Pilgrims -were very local including their leader, William Brewster from Scrooby. He was influenced by the religious separatist preaching of Richard Clifton, rector at the nearby All Saints' church in Babworth.



In total, 102 men, women and children took the 66-day, perilous journey from England to Massachusetts in September 1620. Today, a staggering 35 million people claim an ancestral lineage that runs

back through 15 generations to the 'founding fathers' on board the Mayflower.

Pilgrim Roots Partnership, which brings together County and District Councils across Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire and Lincolnshire plus tourism bodies and voluntary groups is hoping to secure £450,000 in Lottery funding for its 'The Pilgrim Roots: The Separatists Story, Mayflower 400 and beyond' project, which has local plans that include:

- a regional trail linking key Pilgrim heritage sites from Retford to Gainsborough;
- a dedicated Pilgrim Roots gallery at Bassetlaw Museum in Retford;
- a range of digital resources dedicated to the story, including a website;
- nine interpretation panels located at key sites, with supporting wi-fi access.

Councillors also committed a further £30,000 for activities to mark Nottinghamshire's wider association with the separatists story and religious heritage to add to the tourism offer around the 2020 anniversary.

Mobile Library Schedules

The table below shows the schedules for the (roughly) monthly stops of the mobile library in our community.

Day: Thursday		Mobile: North		Route: 4 Clarbrough – North/South Wheatley - Clayworth	
Jan 4 th	Feb 1 st	Mar 1 st	Mar 29 th	Apr 26 th	
May 24 th	June 21 st	July 19 th	Aug 16 th	Sept 13 th	
Oct 11 th	Nov 8 th	Dec 6 th	Jan 3 rd 2019		
Stop No.	Location	Stop Name	Arrive	Depart	
1	Clarbrough	Danby, Church Lane	9.40	10.05	
2	Clarbrough	Howbeck Lane	10.10	10.25	
3	Clarbrough	Hillview Crescent	10.30	10.40	
4	Hayton Smeath	Gill Green Walk	10.45	11.00	

The Pilgrims clothes weren't just black and white.

The Brewster family from Scrooby sailed on the Mayflower. The children had some interesting names: two girls named Fear and Patience, and three boys named Love, Wrestling... and Jonathan!

The Pilgrims from our area were Separatists - people who wanted to have their own church, and not be part of the state Church of England - at a time when this was illegal and forbidden.

Men from our region who sailed on the Mayflower signed an important document called the Mayflower Compact - it set out an agreement between the passengers to work together once they got to America - to ensure their survival. They ended up in the wrong place at the wrong time of year, and had to make their own agreement to come together as a 'civil body politic'.

To read the latest on the Pilgrim Roots project, go to our community website's **Local Faiths ► Christian Heritage ► Mayflower Pilgrims**.

To find out more, contact Sandra Withington (Bassetlaw District Council) at:

Email Sandra.withington@bassetlaw.gov.uk

Tel: 01909 533 533

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Clarbrough & Welham Allotment Association

As of 8th April the allotments themselves have been completed and are usable by paid up members. We had a small team having pegged out all the plots with a lot of hard work. There are a couple of plots still available which are open to eligible candidates if anyone is interested. If interested, contact Jean Gregory at:

jean-gregory@talktalk.net

Paul Gregory

Severn Trent Appeal

On 10th April parts of Welham suffered a terrible overflow of raw sewerage. Investigations by Severn-Trent revealed large quantities of nappies, face wipes and similar items blocking the sewer which flows from Clarbrough.

Please remember that only toilet tissue should be flushed down toilets! The sorts of notices displayed in public, cafe and hotel toilets limiting what is flushed away applies just as much in our homes!



Builders have made a great start to our two-classroom extension.

The children are very excited (as are we!) and are enjoying watching the diggers at work!

Currently the expected completion date for the extension is late-September, 2018.

DARE

Year 6 have completed a 10 week course in the DARE programme. Over the course of the lessons, children have developed their understanding and skills across a range of subjects including: getting help from others; communication and listening; making safe and responsible choices; knowledge about drugs alcohol and substance abuse.

A HUGE thank you to our Dare Officer Nickie who supported and guided the children through the course.

Swimathon

On Saturday 10th March a team of 20 swimmers, including Miss Spencer, competed in the annual Retford Rotary Club Swimathon.

The team swam a combined total of 345 lengths, raising a massive £848.80 for several charities. As usual, the atmosphere was fantastic and a huge thank you to all those who came to support us and cheer us on! The swimmers did themselves proud, showing determination and perseverance during their 13 minutes in the pool.

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Nottinghamshire County Councillor Tracey Taylor



The time has really flown, and this copy goes to print as the old tax year closes and we enter a new financial year. Not surprising then that my report should include news of the recently passed budget at NCC. The clear focus of NCC's strategy for the years ahead is to meet the increasing demand for local services, particularly in respect of Adult Social Care and Children's Services. NCC is committed to investing in Nottinghamshire; with major capital schemes including maintaining and improving our road network, building replacement schools and increasing the number of available school places, and a third phase of Broadband roll-out to extend superfast availability. Further details can be found in the County Life Budget Special report that should have dropped through your letterbox recently and which can also be accessed online at

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/media/130934/countylife-2018.pdf

With these strategies in mind, I'm continuing conversations with the Highways department to address the conditions along Smeath Lane & Tiln Lane, where you may have noticed recent hedge pruning away from the carriageway, but where surface conditions still need attention. Separately, and very positively, I'm pleased to report that plans to extend Clarborough School are already well underway, and new facilities should be ready to enhance provision at the school in the very near future.

Over the past 10 months in post, I have been able to help towards a variety of community projects across the Division, including with some grant funding to Clarborough & Welham and neighbouring Hayton. I'm grateful to have been able to support the W.I.'s 2017 Christmas luncheon for senior residents; also the forthcoming summer commemorative event marking 100 years both since the end of WW1 and since women secured the right to vote. I've also been able to offer some financial support for the project to prepare the new community land, secured under the Neighbourhood Plan, which includes ground clearance and the planting of trees to commemorate the Armistice. 2018 promises to be a most significant year, both nationally and locally, and I'm thrilled that Clarborough & Welham are taking so active a part.

If there are community issues that you need help to address, or community projects dear to your hearts, then please contact me to discuss your concerns and your plans.

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Clarborough & District W.I. have continued to enjoy a varied programme of events through the winter months. Our meetings have featured a pie and pea supper, an interesting talk about the work of the RNLI and a cookery demonstration by

our own 'Two Margarets'. A few of our members attended a Burns Lunch which was organised by the County Federation and it was almost a full turnout for our own Annual Dinner in March.

We are currently busy making the scarecrow ready for the village festival so watch that space - you know the one! We also have a team of ladies in training for the sponsored boat pull. They will haul the traditionally built narrow boat 'Dawn Rose' from Retford Town Lock to the Hop Pole in order to raise money for Bassetlaw Hospice. This will take place on the evening of April 26th. Please support us if you can.

Things turn a bit more serious over the next few months. Our Annual Meeting took place earlier in April when the 2018-19 committee was elected and all members had a chance to shape the future of our W.I..

The Resolutions Meeting will be held in May. This year's proposal concerns mental health. All of the WIs around the country will vote for or against the resolution and the vote will be taken forward to the National Federation Meeting in June. If the resolution is carried the WI will campaign to raise the profile of mental health with the aim of it gaining parity with physical health. The WI has campaigned throughout its history on issues such as free dental treatment for children and, more recently, loneliness and reducing plastic waste. With over 200,000 members it is the largest voluntary women's organisation in the country and a force to be reckoned with.

Why not come along to one of our meetings? Visitors are always welcome – the £4 fee includes refreshments. For more information you can look on our facebook page or our page on the village website. Email ladiesofcndwi@hotmail.com or phone 01777 949847.

Fancy a day out?

Clarborough and District WI are organising a trip to Yorkshire Lavender on Wednesday August 15th. The trip is open to anyone and the cost is just £16.50 which includes coach travel and the entry fee. The lavender fields should be at their best at this time of year so if you would like to join us for the day you can phone 01777 949 847 or 07967 191 007 or email ladiesofcndwi@hotmail.com

New Age Kurling

The spring sessions began on April 16th and run fortnightly on Monday evenings in Clarborough Village Hall from 19:00 – 21:00. Everyone is welcome and the small fee of £2 includes light refreshments. For more information phone 01777 704 711 or just come along.

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 advancing towards what will be.

Khalil Gibran (Lebanese poet 1883-1931)

Dates for your Diary

20th May: Clarbrough Festival
 9th June: Retford Arts Festival
 23rd June: Retford Armed Forces Day
 23rd June: Steampunk at Bassetlaw Museum
 30th June: Retford Kings Park 80th Anniversary
 25th July: first day of Nottinghamshire school's
 Summer break
 8th September: Retford Heritage Day

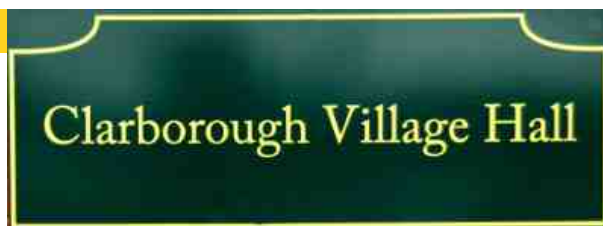
Clarborough Village Hall

Clarborough Village Hall is managed by Clarborough & District Community Association (CDCA).

The Hall has been substantially refurbished to as high standard recently and is also base for our community Post Office.

The regular weekly events programme is set out in the table below.

The Hall is also available for individual bookings for such events as parties or special celebrations as well as other 'one-off' events. Contact as per the foot of this page.



	Post Office	Morning	Mid-day	Afternoon	Evening	Parish Council
Monday	9:00-12:30 (Halford Room)	10:00-12:00 <i>Table Tennis</i>		14:00-16:00 <i>Indoor Bowls</i>	19:00-21:30 <i>W.I.</i> (Every second Monday of the month) 19:00-21:00 <i>Kurling</i> (Every fortnight)	19:00-22:00 <i>Parish Council</i> meetings as posted on notice boards and community website
Tuesday	9:00-12:30 (Halford Room)	10:00-11:30 <i>Chair-based exercise</i>		13:30-15:00 <i>I.T.group</i> (Both rooms) School term time only	17:30-18:30 <i>Pilates</i> 19:00-21:00 <i>Table Tennis</i>	
Wednesday	13:30-17:00 (Halford Room)	10:00-11:30 <i>I.T.group</i> (Both rooms) School term time only	12:30-13:30 <i>Pilates</i>	14:00-16:00 <i>Retford U3A</i> <i>Table Tennis</i>	17:30-18:30 <i>'HIIT'</i> <i>Keep Fit</i>	
Thursday	Closed				17:00-18:00 <i>Beavers</i> 18:00-19:30 <i>Cubs</i> 19:30-21:00 <i>Scouts Explorers</i> (School term time only)	
Friday	9:00-12:30 (Halford Room)	10:00-12:00 <i>Table Tennis</i>	12:00-16:00 <i>Hall Maintenance</i>		17:30-18:30 <i>Pilates</i>	
Saturday	Closed	9:30-12:00 <i>Table Top Sale</i> (1 st Saturday of each month)				
Sunday	Closed					

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[From top] Supermarine Spitfire Mk.Vb, Avro Lancaster B.Mk.1 and Hawker Hurricane Mk.IIc.

Clarborough & Welham Parish Council Meetings

30th April
14th May
11th June

Meetings open 19:00 in Clarborough Village Hall

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