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Introducing Rev Zoe Burton

As I write this letter, we are in a month that was marked by beginnings and endings. At the beginning of the month, Revd Phil Howson was ordained to serve alongside me as curate and you will hear more from him next month as he introduces himself! At the end of July, we said goodbye to Revd Chris Levy and gave thanks for all his service in the life of the villages of Walesby, Egmont, Kirton, Laxton with Moorhouse, Kneesall and Wellow



with Rufford. August onwards marks a new chapter in the life of these village churches and of Bilsthorpe, Eakring and Ollerton with Boughton as we continue to transition as a Family of 12 churches, working together and co-operating together and serving our communities that all communities may be built up in love.

I write this letter as someone who has been entrusted with the oversight of the Family of 12 churches and my name is Revd Zoe Burton. I currently live and will remain living in the vicarage in New Ollerton where I live with my husband Nigel. We have lived in New Ollerton for nearly 3 years. We have 2 grown up children: a son called Jack who is studying a law degree and works at McDonalds and a daughter called Nikki who has just completed her degree and will be flying out to China mid August to take up a teaching post for a year.

When I am not wearing my dog collar, I love spending quality time with my family, fox-trotting and quick-stepping around a dance floor, walking in the Great Outdoors and being delighted with the wildlife that comes my way. Nigel and I particularly enjoy bird watching and often holiday in Scotland and the Scottish Isles.

Beginnings and endings are very much part of life and are going on all the time; each moment, each new day, month, new relationship, new home and so on. We are challenged to make the time in between beginnings and endings count. What our new chapter as a Family of churches with their communities looks this, will be up to us. I am very much looking forward to sharing my life with you all as we write our new chapter together.

Many blessings
Rev Zoe

From the Registers - George Pashley

Our sympathy goes to Margaret, Chris, Steven, Debbie and Hayley, the family of George Dennis Pashley who died on Monday 27th June 2016 at the age of 82.

George was born in Laxton on 23rd March 1934 and was baptised in the church on Easter Day, April 1st 1934. The funeral service was held in St Michael's Church, Laxton on Wednesday 6th July followed by burial in the churchyard.

Baptism

Congratulations to George Oliver McConnell who was baptised into the church on Sunday 26th June 2016.

George is the son of Alan and Sarah McConnell of Tuxford, grandson of Christine Rayner and great grandson of Bill and Pat Haigh of Laxton.



Sympathy and Thanks - David Walker

We are sad to report the death of Mr David Walker of Timothy Road on 20th June. He and his wife, Joan, had been married for 66 years in June and he was a beloved husband and father. He is very sadly missed.

Joan and family would like to thank friends and neighbours for their lovely cards and messages of sympathy

Thanks - George Pashley

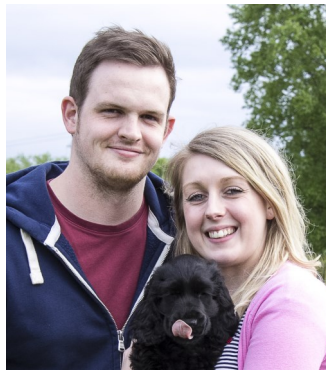
Margaret Pashley and family would like to thank all who attended George's funeral on Wednesday 6 July at Laxton church.

Many thanks to all of you who sent flowers, cards and generously gave donations. A total of over £500.00 was raised and will be shared between cancer research and guide dogs for the blind.

George will be greatly missed.

Congratulations - Engagement

We are delighted to announce the engagement of Rebecca Rose and Ian Creighton of Tuxford. Rebecca is the older daughter of Stuart and Sylvia Rose of Bottom Farm, Laxton, sister of Jessica, and granddaughter of Margaret Rose of Laxton and Eileen Spray of Wellow. Ian is the younger son of Karen Creighton. Both families send love and congratulations and wish you both every happiness in your future together.



Congratulations - Birth

Congratulations to Mark and Mia of Tuxford on the birth of Ethan John on 5th July 2016, a brother for Aria and a grandson for John and Sue Stockdale of Laxton.

Congratulations - Noble Graduation Trio



Congratulations to Jacob, Oliver and Poppy Noble who have all graduated in the same year.

Jake has graduated from Sheffield Hallam with a degree in teaching and science and will be starting as a teacher in Retford in September when he gets back from his travels in Thailand.

Oliver has graduated from Dundee university with a M Eng. Hons. in Civil Engineering and will be starting work as a civil engineer in September for Network Rail based in Glasgow.

Poppy also graduated in Equine Studies from Brackenhurst college, part of the Notts Trent University and at the moment has not one but three part time jobs. Well done and good luck to them all.

Congratulations - 90th Birthday

Many congratulations to Ken Saxelby of Moorhouse on passing the milestone of his 90th birthday. Friends at the History Group event in June were not surprised to see this remarkable man there, having cycled to Crosshill Farm. We wish you continued good health and many more happy birthdays Ken.



Ken with Margaret on holiday

Congratulations - Diamond Wedding

Many congratulations also to Vernon and Jean Bartle, who celebrate their Diamond Wedding on 18th August. Vernon was born in Laxton and Jean, neé Warriner, lived in the village before their marriage. Love and best wishes for many more happy years together from all your family.

Lammas Day

8.00am Monday August 1st

Holy Communion

**With the blessing of the first sheaf of corn
of harvest**

**The service will be followed by breakfast
at Crosshill House.**

**If you would like breakfast, please order
from Brenda Noble on 870541 as we need
numbers for catering.**

Moorhouse Garden Fête

We are delighted to be able to report that the garden Fete raised the magnificent sum of £579. Once again many thanks to everyone who supported the event in any way.



Laxton Athletic Football Club
invite you to the second
**Stuart Shepherd
Memorial Football Match**

to be held on
SATURDAY 20th AUGUST 2016
at the
Sports Field. 1:30 – 5:00 pm

Kick-off 2:30pm

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friends

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Saturday 29th October
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Please bring your own drink and glasses.

Laxton Garden Fête



This year the garden fête was moved to the 1st July to avoid potential date clashes, but it didn't manage to relieve the nervous wait to see what the weather would do. 'Plan B' was in place - to use the big barn at Crosshill Farm which had been cleared and had lights installed by the History Group for

their event the previous week and it was touch and go until the end.

Tessa was keen to have everyone in her garden as usual one last time. Her wish was eventually granted by a break in the weather. A good crowd was there to see Rev. Chris Levy opening his last fête for us as Vicar, but he didn't stand on ceremony.



Coffee Morning

This month will be on **10th August** at Crosshill House, facing the green, from 10.30am - 11.30am.

Everyone is welcome to this informal group.

You don't have to commit to monthly attendance and are welcome to pop in to enjoy some friendly, cheerful company.



Plenty of tea, cakes, chatter and warm welcomes for newcomers.



Eager purchasers soon descended on the cake stall to ensure they bought their favourites before turning their attention to the food and drink offerings of tea, hot dogs and scones with and cream. The people running the stalls had fun with a lively breeze doing its best to disturb tablecloths, hair and displays throughout.

The usual games did a roaring trade as did the book stall tombola and raffle. The raffle was a



particular success with sales far outstripping the usual takings.

Everything was in full swing when a very black cloud loomed on the horizon and seemed to be coming our way.

Thankfully it delivered only a few very large spots of rain, which had everyone covering up



their wares, before it moved on. The races and fancy dress were able to go ahead soon after. Ruby Doyle looked lovely in her winning outfit.



After the prizes were presented and raffle drawn the stalls disappeared very quickly. Just to

prove that the sun shines on the righteous the heavens opened as the last of the helpers left for home.

On behalf of the PCC, I would like to thank everyone for the help at our annual Garden Fête. It was good to see so many people there with the weather being not so good. Thanks to everyone who gave to the cake stall, tombola, raffle, books etc., to those who looked after the stalls, to Stuart for the loan of tables and chairs and to everyone who helped to clear up afterwards.

A total of £710 was raised for church funds. Thanks again

Brenda

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All events can now be booked and paid for on line using PayPal

**We look forward to seeing you all soon at your local pub,
The Dovecote Inn at Laxton**

Farewell to John & Tessa

A presentation was made to John and Tessa Rolph by the Rev. Chris Levy at the garden fete on Friday 1st July to say thank you for all their contributions to the church, PCC and village during the 21 years living in the Old Vicarage. We gave them vouchers to spend on their new garden.

John has been our Treasurer for the PCC for several years and Tessa has served on the PCC, played the organ, run the children's J-team and held coffee mornings. We also thanked the both for allowing us to use their lawn for our garden fetes.

We wish them well in their new home in Retford.

Thank you once again on behalf of the PCC and everyone else



Tessa hosted her final Coffee Morning just before she and John moved. It was good to see a large group there to wish them well.

Brenda



Laxton Charity Dog Show & Gymkhana

The torrential rain which struck exactly as per the forecast at just before 10am on the day of the gymkhana and dog show effectively ruined the events. Only the hardiest turned out to take part in either event and driving a horse box into the field was an act of faith. Those who had travelled furthest probably decided to make the best of it, while the more local people took one look out of the window and found something else to do.



It was desperately disappointing for those who had worked so hard to set up both arenas and associated displays and stalls. Everything was looking colourful and expectant, but soon gateways became a sea of mud and water pooled in places on the grass. Even the Thaymar ice cream servery had no queue - unheard of at this event.



With true British grit the competitors who had made the journey entered the classes with their dogs, giving judges Heather and Derek Storton and Steward, Rose Godson, some work to do. The judges admitted to being impressed that people were willing to brave such terrible conditions to show their dogs. At one



point the rain was so heavy that Derek suspended judging the pedigree classes for a short time. He awarded best in show to a bearded collie which had come with a number of others from Scunthorpe just to compete at Laxton.

Heather judged the fun classes and managed to keep all the children who entered every class happy with her decisions. She particularly liked the Three Musketeers, who won the fancy dress class.

At the end of the event Jo Godson, who has run the show for fourteen

years, thanked her helpers and announced that this year would be the last. What a shame it ended on such a bad day, but thanks and congratulations to Jo for all she has achieved in this time and for raising so much money to help dog rescue charities in the local area. The event this year looks like raising around £200.

Round at the gymkhana, riders young and old were braving the mud to compete in the dressage and showing classes. Numbers were so reduced by the weather that some classes were not viable despite the rain stopping around lunch time. By then for people who had decided not to come it was too late for a change of mind.



The judges and helpers carried on bravely and again it was a terrible shame that their hard work fell victim to a good old 'British summer'.

Parish Council News

After some considerable thought, Ken Shepherd our Parish Clerk has decided to retire as Clerk in his 50th year. He has been supporting our Parish Council excellently for all these years, but now feels this is the best time for him to retire. It goes without saying, many, many thanks to Ken for this long service and I am sure you will all agree we should have an appropriate "leaving do" for him!!!

Applications for the position should be forwarded to me by the closing date of FRIDAY 19/8/16 by either letter or e-mail to the addresses below. An up to date CV should accompany all applications and candidates will need to be able to demonstrate how they meet the essential requirements of the role. Any additional information (Person Specification/Job Description) can be obtained from the addresses below:

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Michael
Chairman, Laxton and Moorhouse Parish Council

Laxton History Group



Finally, after two and a half years' effort, the History Group were able to reveal the results of all the members' hard work. Throughout the Heritage Lottery Funded project we have kept villagers informed of progress via the magazine, but now the reality was there for all to see.

To say it was a relief would be an understatement. We planned to package up the sets of booklets at our June meeting, but come the day we had only half of them. The second pair were delayed by the printer's binding machine breaking down and as a result they were only available for collection from Nottingham a couple of days before our launch.

We were pleased to welcome Yvonne Woodhead, Chairman of Nottinghamshire County Council and her escort; Tony Roberts, Chairman of Newark & Sherwood Council and our County and District councillors Bruce Laughton and Sylvia Michael.



We were pleased that Mark Dorrington, Keeper of Manuscripts & Special Collections at the University of Nottingham was able to attend. The correspondence files in the Manvers Collection there were the source of a vast amount of information on the day to day life of the village. These papers came from the Thoresby Estate and it was flattering to be joined by the whole of the present day team of archivists from the Estate. Our Honorary President and mentor Prof. John Beckett joined our Project Leader Roger Cottee in presenting the project to our guests.





Roger described the work we had undertaken to gather the information, bring it back to Laxton and make it available to the authors of the booklets. Each had taken a topic area and addressed the challenges of summarising substantially more information than we anticipated we would find to paint a picture of aspects of Laxton at the turn of the last century. In Roger's case this involved discovering more about those who had gone to fight in World War I, and in particular those who had died and are remembered on the war memorials at the church.

We were grateful to Mr Hugh Matheson, a direct descendent of the Lords Manvers, for his speech in support of the work we have done in uncovering this period of the grass

roots history of Laxton.

Two teachers, representing Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 (infant and junior), had worked with us and enabled us to produce a complementary Teaching and Learning pack. It was great that both were able to join us. The materials they helped develop will be available to all schools via our web site and printed copies were on display.



Over the two days our exhibition was open we were delighted to see over 200 people and to present them with copies of the booklets. The response was universally favourable, with most commenting on how professional they looked.



We offer a big 'Thank you' to Andy Columbine, a Laxton resident and graphic designer, for his work in designing our smart new logo and turning our manuscripts into an attractive set of booklets.

We were impressed by the number of villagers who have



lived in Laxton for a relatively short time who came to find out more about the heritage of the village.

We followed up the public event by distributing copies to each household in Laxton and Moorhouse. Additional copies have been produced for local schools, Nottinghamshire libraries, friends, supporters and people who helped with our research.



Luckily we had plenty of extras copies because since then we have been amazed at the demand once people saw the professional presentation, with many people asking for more for relatives and friends with an interest in Laxton. Some are going to the USA and Canada. We still have some and we would like them to go to people with a genuine interest in Laxton, so if you would like another set but



haven't liked to ask, please have a word with Jean Hennell (870276).

The History Group is greatly indebted to the WI for serving refreshments throughout the event. Many members belong to both organisations and managed to juggle their 'hats' very successfully with some serving and others welcoming and assisting our guests. It was a magnificent effort by the WI and very many thanks must go to Brenda and her team for their sterling support - and the tasty treats!

Finally very many thanks to Mike and Di Jackson for allowing us once again to hold an event on their premises and to all the villagers and friends who attended.



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Pretty Muddy!



Laxton girl Rachel Heath (née Manning) looking pretty muddy in Race for Life's Pretty Muddy event at Clumber Park in July.

This is a fundraiser like no other. It is a muddy obstacle course that women of any ability can climb over, crawl under, and charge through to show cancer that hell hath no fury like a woman in pink. It is 5km long and open to women and young women over the age of 13.

Proud Mum and Dad went to meet her at the finish line.

Summer Outing Opportunity

Weston WI organise an annual coach trip to places of interest and they invite anyone who would like to join them to book a place.

This year the trip will be leaving Weston in the late morning on Tuesday 16th August bound for Wollaton Hall, Nottingham. This will be

followed by an evening cruise on the Rover Trent aboard the Trent Princess departing from Colwick. A carvery dinner will be served on board. The total cost of the trip including the dinner is £27.50.

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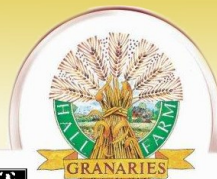
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Bus Timetable for Laxton

This service will begin on 1st August. Please remember that if you don't use it, you will lose it!

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Wednesday and Friday

WELLOW Maypole Road	0857	NEWARK Bus Station	1215
Ollerton Hop Pole	0902	Little Carlton	1225
New Ollerton Briar Road	0907	Bathley	1230
NEW OLLERTON			
Rufford Avenue	0912	Norwell	1236
Laxton	0915	Ossington	1243
Egmanton	0918	Moorhouse	1248
Moorhouse	0924	Egmanton	1254
Ossington	0929	Laxton	1257
Norwell	0935	NEW OLLERTON	
		Rufford Avenue	1300
Bathley	0942	New Ollerton Briar Road	1305
Little Carlton	0947	Ollerton Hop Pole	1310
NEWARK Bus Station	0957	WELLOW Maypole Road	1315

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Wellow - New Ollerton - Tuxford 334 (showing connections with Marshalls services to Newark & Retford)
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

Kneesall Ossington Road	0850	ph	ph			
WELLOW Maypole Road	0857	1057	1257			
Ollerton Hop Pole	0902	1102	1302			
New Ollerton Briar Road	0907	1107	1307			
NEW OLLERTON Rufford Avenue	0912	1112	1312			
Laxton	0915	1115	1315			
Egmanton	0918	1118	1318			
TUXFORD Sun Inn	0923	1123	1323			
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<i>Retford Bus Station</i>	37					
<i>Newark Bus Station</i>	37					
TUXFORD Sun Inn	0955	-	1355	-		
Tuxford Linden Avenue	0930	1130	1330			
TUXFORD Sun Inn	0935	1135	1335			
<i>Newark Bus Station</i>	37					
<i>Retford Bus Station</i>	37					
<i>Tuxford Sun Inn</i>	37					
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<i>Newark Bus Station</i>	37					
<i>Retford Bus Station</i>	37					
<i>Tuxford Sun Inn</i>	37					
TUXFORD Sun Inn	0945	1145	1345			
Egmanton	0950	1150	1350			
Laxton	0953	1153	1353			
NEW OLLERTON Rufford Avenue	0956	1156	1356			
New Ollerton Briar Road	1001	1201	1401			
Ollerton Hop Pole	1006	1206	1406			
WELLOW Maypole Road	1015	1215	1415			
Kneesall Ossington Road	R	R	R			

Centenary of the Fall of Laxton's Mill



In 'Highways and Byways in Nottinghamshire' by J B Firth, published in 1916 Laxton Mill merits a mention:

"The windmill, which is a conspicuous feature in the Mill Field, grinds all the wheat that is grown in Laxton, and Laxton prides itself on growing as good wheat as any in the county. In

the old days it used to command a special price".

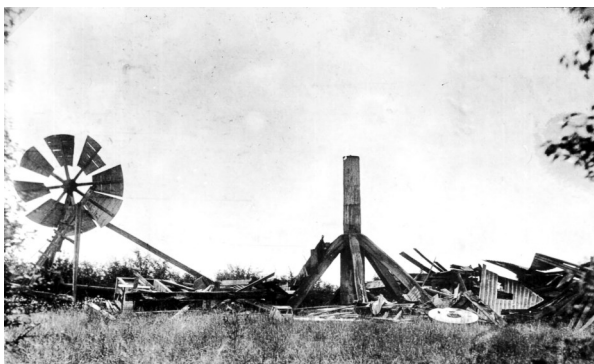
The date is rather ironical as on 16th July 1916, as reported on a post card owned by Janet Cooke, that the mill collapsed.

This was a post mill, where the entire milling apparatus was contained in a wooden structure and supported on a massive post. The whole structure turned to enable the sails to catch the wind.

A 1935 black and white film of Laxton mentions the 'recent collapse of the mill' and refers to 'a dark patch in the golden wheat in the Mill Field', which has since grown into the small copse we see today.

On the reverse of this image of the ruins Janet's post card, dated 'Sunday afternoon July 23th 1916' says:

"The photo on the op. side is one of the old mill situated on the Top Field which fell peacefully to rest at 5.30 Sun. afternoon July 16th 1916. I think Mr Clark seems to be about the only



person who heard it fall and he said it went down with a terrible crash. In spite of being St Swithins and a lovely fine day Sunday turned wet and miserable. Mon - rained all day greatly to the disappointment of the hay-makers, but the remainder of the week was perfection.

After church on Sun. Eve a party consisting of Mr & Mrs Clark, Mr & Mrs Dewick, Aunt C and myself had a pleasant walk over the top fields and found quite a number of people looking at the old relic and we walked slowly home again had a little gossip outside came indoors and enjoyed our supper."

The mill stones now stand in the churchyard.

Vintage Tractor Road Run

The 126 tractors taking part in the Michael Dicksbury Memorial Vintage Tractor Road Run set off as usual from Tuxford led by Paul Dicksbury on a day which dawned dry, if not bright.

They all but brought Tuxford to a standstill by going first down Lincoln Road to pass the home of a former driver who is no longer well enough to join in. They turned round at the school and retraced their steps, which was great for the drivers as the two lanes passed

each other and they were all able to enjoy seeing the impact of so many colourful and well turned out vehicles.



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This year Laxton was on the morning route and villagers had gathered on the green near The Dovecote to wave on the drivers as they passed. This

event is strongly supported by drivers from Laxton, Moorhouse and Egmont. They were well represented with at least fifteen vehicles from the three communities, including well filled trailers.

The tractors followed the direct route up from Egmont and along Main Street, along Town End and into West Field. Spectators at the entrance to the field near Acre Edge had a wonderful view of the wide variety of vehicles making their way into the field, winding round the tracks past the open field strips and out towards the road.



Despite having set off less than an hour earlier, the vehicles had become widely spaced by the time they reached Laxton, so the off road section in West Field allowed them to stop and wait for the back markers to catch up. It gave a good chance for

the drivers to get off and stretch their legs as well as to have a chat to their friends. The convoy included families in groups all driving tractors as well as trailers comfortably fitted out for the family to come along





while one driver did the work. Some took the opportunity of such stops to change drivers.



From Laxton they travelled down to Boughton, on to Bothamsall then finally to Thoresby for a tour of the roads and tracks not normally open to the public before stopping in Perlethorpe for lunch. Paula Doyle was presented with the prize for the best turned out tractor and trailer during the break, though father George was driving it.



The afternoon proved somewhat more exciting when the gap in the line became large enough for the following driver to lose sight of who was in front of him and to take a wrong turn across the A1. Some thirty drivers set off on an uncharted course with some even ending up on the A1, presenting the

marshals with a headache when they realised what had happened and had to set about rounding everyone back up on to the planned route.



It was a late, but safe and dry, return to Tuxford and at the time of writing the event had raised over £3,000 for the cancer ward at Sheffield Hospital.



Thank You from Amanda

Amanda Hennell sends a big thank you to all who sponsored her in her 5K run in June. Her final total for the Rainbow Run in aid of Beaumont House hospice was £210.

Many thanks to you all.



Group Oil Order



The late summer / early autumn order will be sent soon, subject to price fluctuations. It has been up a bit and back down again since the results of the referendum, so who knows. As usual we will do our best to secure a keen price for our group

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Things to Do this Month

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|----------------------------|---|
| Jul 27th | Parish Council, Moorhouse, 7.30pm |
| Aug 10th | WI, Faith Supper, 7.30pm VH |
| Aug 13th | Charity Barn Dance, Bar Farm |
| Aug 17th | History Group, 'Iron Age Ancestors', 7.30pm, VH |
| Aug 20th | Stuart Shepherd Memorial Football Match
2.30pm. Sports Field |

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AUGUST 2016	Holy Communion	Family services	Other Services
August 1st Lammas*	8.00 am LAXTON Lammas Holy Communion*	(followed by breakfast at Crosshill House *)	
August 7 th Trinity 11	9.00 am Kirtton 9.00 am MOORHOUSE 10.30 am Kneesall		
August 14 th Trinity 12	9.00 am Walesby 10.30 am LAXTON 4.00 pm Wellow		6.00 pm Egmanton – Evening Prayer
August 21 st Trinity 13	8.00 am Walesby 9.00 am Egmanton 10.30 am Boughton		
August 28 th Trinity 14	10.30 am New Ollerton GROUP SERVICE	(followed by refreshments)	

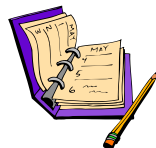
*** Please give numbers for Lammas breakfast to Brenda Noble (870541)**

Baby and Toddler Group ~ Mondays 9.15-11.15 (termtime) ~St Paulinus Community Hall, New Ollerton ~ Play, craft, singing & snacks

Young Followers (children of any age) ~ 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays during morning service ~ St Paulinus ~ craft, stories and fun



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



2016

July 27 th	Parish Council (at Moorhouse)
<i>Aug 10th</i>	<i>WI</i>
<i>Aug 11th</i>	<i>Coffee Morning</i>
Aug 13 th	Charity Barn Dance
<i>Aug 17th</i>	<i>History Group</i>
<i>Aug 20th</i>	<i>Stuart Shepherd Memorial Football Match</i>

Forward Planning

Sept 24 th	Southwell Ploughing Match, Farnsfield
Oct 29 th	Folk at the Hall
Nov 18 th	Church Dance
Dec 2 nd	Quiz Night

NB New entries appear in ***bold italics*** for the first month.

If you know the date of a meeting or an event, please pass it on so that others can take it into account when planning.

Copy Date for September: 16th August.

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It seemed a long time since we met in the hall, and Brenda began the meeting with a long list of thanks and successes. These included Sandra for organising the June outing and our team for the County Quiz. There was a brief discussion about the difficulty of the questions and their clever decision to play their 'Joker' on a round where they scored full marks. The news which grabbed everyone's attention and got a big reaction was that *there was no tea!*. There was just a bar serving cold drinks, but a WI event with no tea is unheard of...

Brenda congratulated everyone on the roaring success that was the Queen's Birthday Tea. A hesitant suggestion that we should do something had turned into one of our best and most enjoyable events for a long time. Everyone agreed the hall looked lovely with the beautiful china, pretty cloths, flowers and other decorations and the food was superb even by WI standards. When even our gentlemen guests admit defeat on the cakes we know we have done well. The takings and expenses are still being accounted for, but a great £142 came from the raffle and £45.50 from Lesley's inspired suggestion to plate and sell surplus cakes. Next month we will be able to announce our donation for the Child Bereavement Trust in Newark.

Brenda read out a 'thank you' from the History Group for all our hard work at their event and thanked members for their support.

Jeff Naylor, who is now recognised as a WISH (WI Supportive Husband), was



warmly thanked for running our competition to grow the £10 given to us by the County Federation. Pat came up with the idea of a 'treasure hunt' based on the open field strip numbers on the Mark Pierce map and Jeff looked after it for us at the Queen's Tea and the History Launch.

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It was lovely that Rosemary Crothers won at the Tea and Mavis Beckitt at the Launch.

Sadly we had another catering engagement in July, when we were proud to provide the refreshments after the funeral of George Pashley, husband Margaret, a former member of our WI.

There is a long list of activities for us to look forward to as the autumn approaches. True, we have yet to enjoy summer, but WI books well ahead to get dates into busy diaries. In addition to the social events there is the Autumn Council Meeting in Newark at the end of September and Apple Day at Southwell at the end of October. We need to give some thought to a 'Tea for the Speaker', which is the competition for groups. Individual members can also enter a number of cookery and craft classes with an apple theme.

Joy represented us at the NFWI Annual Meeting in Brighton, her home town, on June 11th. She described surviving two bus crashes on the same day trying out the public transport arrangements in advance.



Her report included the debate

and results of the voting on the Resolutions put to the meeting where she had to vote for us and three other institutes and her observation that press reports of mass dissatisfaction at the singing of 'Rule Britannia' after the meeting were not borne out by what she saw.

The 'Fish Lady' who had been booked to speak to us couldn't be contacted. While Joy was attending the meeting Dik, another WISH, had been out and about with his camera and provided a variety of images for Joy to fill in by showing us a less familiar view of Brighton.

We are back in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on August 10th when we will enjoy a supper. By popular request Anna Hill will again make her delicious lasagne, to be accompanied by new potatoes and salad followed by home made puds.

We are always pleased to see new members and guests. As we are catering this time it would be really helpful if people could let Brenda know if they are away so we cater for the right numbers.



Action Fraud Warnings

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With summer holidays fast approaching, individuals are often more exposed to travel booking frauds when looking for last minute package deals / cheap flights. Whether paying upfront for a family holiday or simply booking a flight, payments are transferred only to discover that the holiday / airline ticket does not exist and was sold to you by a bogus travel company. Fraudsters will often lure in potential customers with low prices and 'one time only' offers that are simply too good to pass up, requesting payment by the preferred method of direct bank transfer.

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A Farewell Service
To mark the retirement of the
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at 4.00pm

This will be followed by refreshments.

If you wish to attend this service please ring Brenda
on 01777 870541 for catering and seating.

History Group August Meeting

On August 17th we will be meeting in Village Hall on July 20th at 7.30pm. to hear Rosemary Gibson speak about our 'Iron Age Ancestors'. This is a return visit this year for Rosemary who came previously to speak about the 'Costumes of Canal People'. Everyone is welcome.

- Always remember to look for the 'https' and locked padlock icon in the address bar before entering your payment details.
- Never feel pressured to make a booking for fear that you will miss out on this 'low price' opportunity. If you have never used the company before, take your time to do some online research to ensure they are reputable.
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If you have been a victim of fraud report it to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or <http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/>

Recent Bonus Ball Winners

Date	No	Name
18/6/16	47	J&D Geldard
25/6/16	16	Janet Cooke
2/7/16	13	Colin Cree
9/7/16	12	Roy Hennell
16/7/16	41	Diane & Richard

Thank you all for your continuing support for our Sports Field. Since the National Lottery increased the number of balls to 59 several of the new numbers have been allocated, but there are still some available. **If you would like to join, you can choose from the numbers 52, 53, 56, 57, 58 and 59. Anyone with a current ball is also invited to take another.**

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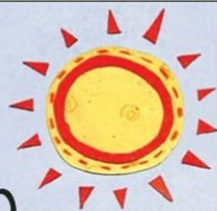
Air Ambulance Fund Raiser

We have been sent information about an event being held at Dunham Millennium Centre on Tuesday 23rd August in aid of the Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance - see left.

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We are concerned that a number of prepayment energy customers have told us about representatives going from door to door in the area making appointments for smart meters to be installed. In some cases, householders have agreed, thinking that this was part of the national smart meter roll-out advertised on TV, but then discovered they have actually switched suppliers. We understand that it is difficult for people with no internet access to do their own research and they, in particular, may feel pressured. If you are targeted, you could call your existing supplier to check before you agree. If this has already happened to you and you are not happy, let us know.

Yes, we have been working hard over the past 9 months helping people just like you to sort out their energy bills but we want to see more of you because we know that lots of people in our area are still paying too much. Long summer (technically) days may seem like a relief from worrying about gas and electricity bills but now is the time to get help with switching your deal so that you can appreciate the savings this winter and have a bit more money in your pocket for when the kids are back at school and in time for Christmas.

If you have a problem and your energy supplier is not listening, or you just want help checking what options are available for you, give Sherwood & Newark Citizens Advice a call on 01623 861769.

Citizens Advice offers general advice on a wide range of money issues, from queries about insurance and mortgages, to information on wills.

In addition to general advice, we also offer more in-depth sessions in the following areas:

- Financial capability - building skills such as budgeting and getting the best deals
- Pension Wise - guidance to anyone over 50 with a defined contribution pension
- Energy Best Deal - getting the best deal on your energy and how to save energy to cut down your bills.

Debt is the most common money query in Newark and Sherwood says Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark

Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark has helped people with 7047 money issues in 2015/2016, new figures reveal.

People wanting to make the most of their finances are calling on Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark for help and support with a range of money queries, from information about income tax to questions on savings and investments.

The top three money issues in 2015/16, the charity has helped people with are:

1. Council Tax arrears 1073 issues
2. Credit, store and charge card 653 issues
3. Unsecured personal loans 611 issues

Queries included dealing with debt repayments, fuel, rent and parking debts.

The service also helps people improve their money skills - offering tips on budgeting and getting the best deals. In 2015/16 the charity helped 142 financial capability clients, helping people develop their financial management skills this year. Nationally Citizens Advice has helped 168,500 people with money management and financial services issues in the last year.

Lesley Barrick, Advice Service Manager at Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark said: *"We help people make the most of their finances and plan for the future. As well as seeking help to understand their finances, increasingly the people we help want the skills to manage their money in different ways. This is really important because with so many financial options available, its crucial people are equipped with knowledge to make the right choices about their money. From guidance on budgeting to help with online banking we offer a range of support to help people understand their financial circumstances, and plan for tomorrow."*

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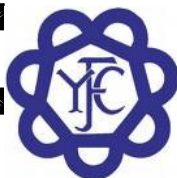
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Also we have celebrated our 85th birthday with a party which was great. Moreover we did a charity cricket match at Milton. A lot of donations were made and over these 2 events we made £700 to go toward the club! Thank you everyone who donated.

We went to Grove and Rufford Hunt kennels where they explained that they were training them up for next season. We got to meet the pups as well.

So, Tuxford YFC will see you after the summer break. Bye !

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Laxton Cricket Club

Laxton Cricket Club are pleased to be fielding a side again this year in division 1 of the Newark Evening league. Home matches are played on Tuesday evenings with a 6pm start.

26th July Beckingham Home

We hope you may find time one evening to come along and cheer us on.



Summer Event Photos

We are planning to publish a summer colour supplement to celebrate all the events which have been happening in Laxton this year.

If you have any photos you would like considered for inclusion which relate to an event which took place in Laxton in June, July or August, please send them by email in the best quality you can to:

copy@openfield.org.uk to be received no later than 31st August.

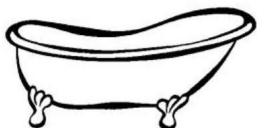
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Laxton & Moorhouse Parish Council

Minutes 21st June 2016

Meeting Attendees - Mr M Manning – Chairman, Mr D Brown – Vice Chairman, Mr S Hill, Mr J Hill, Mr R Hennell, Mr M Hennell, Mr K Shepherd (Clerk)

District Councillor Mrs S Michaels

Apologies - County Councillor B Laughton
No apology was received from Mr J V Godson

Chairman - Mr M Manning

Issue Date of Minutes – 02/07/16 Draft - to be discussed and ratified at the next meeting

1.00 Ten Minutes Parishioners time

1.01 No Parishioners attended

2.00 Previous Minutes

2.01 The minutes of the previous Parish Council meetings held on 25th May 2016 were distributed to Councillors and were agreed as a true representation proposed M Hennell seconded S Hill

2.02 The Clerk clarified that the minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting will be agreed at the next Annual Parish meeting

3.00 Matters arising from Previous Minutes - 3.01 None

4.00 Accounts

4.01 The Clerk confirmed that year end accounts had been signed off at the last meeting and forwarded to the External Auditor

4.02 Expenditure to be ratified:

NALC membership £72.96, Sports Field Rent £180, Repairs to Moorhouse notice board £38.11, Website hosting D Brown £75.00, Clerks Fees £1,159.47, Clerks Expenses £86.56, Training course NALC M Manning & D Brown £50.00

All were approved

5.00 Correspondence

5.01 Meeting at Kelham Hall 07/07/16 Muskham & Sutton on Trent Safer Neighbourhood Group; this is a 1/4ly meeting S Hill agreed to attend future meetings, but not this one, The Chairman asked Dist. Cllr Mrs S Michael to notify them of this

5.02 A NALC Seminar for new Councillors is to be held on the 14/09/16 Epperstone Village Hall 7:30 – 9:30 £25 per place, Mr D Brown and Mr M Manning to attend

5.03 Grit Bin Request for Moorhouse: This has been declined by N & S dc does not meet criteria, this was discussed further and agreed that the decision will be challenged. Dist. Cllr Mrs S Michael suggested the Clerk contact County Councillor Mr B Laughton. There is the option to purchase a blue Grit bin for £150 (filled with salt) but upkeep and refilling would need to be considered.

5.04 A letter from NALC advisor Chris Moses about Dismissal on capability grounds was received and is to be circulated by the Chairman

5.05 Mr S Hill raised an issue of the “cow” sign in Moorhouse need of repair The clerk to contact N&SDC

5.06 30mph/60mph sign in middle of drive has been requested to be relocate – The Clerk to contact N&SDC

6.00 Declaration of Interests

6.01 It was agreed that for future meeting this item will appear further up the agenda (after meeting minutes) so that any interests can be voiced in advance

7.00 Glebe Field

7.01 The Chairman has received the deed documents and will copy them before returning to the custodian, they confirm the purchase date of 1995 by the Parish Council from the Church as additional burial ground. The Chairman will bring a copy to the next meeting.

7.02 The Clerk gave a brief summary of the Glebe Field history since purchase, and that at the time of purchase similar Parish Councils were being advised to acquire similar plots of land. Mr K Shepherd was the sitting tenant at the time of purchase and this has continued since this time with the rent being reviewed every three years. The agreement signed by the tenant allows the Parish/Church to return the land (given reasonable notice) for burial ground. The current rent is agreed at £60.00 per annum (which was set in April 2013) at the time this sum was similar to other grazing land rented by The Crown Estate in Laxton, and agreed by the Parish Council who at that time consisted of mainly Tenant Farmers. The Glebe Field occupies 1.7 acres, and can only be used for grazing, however there are considerable constraints which reduce the grazing area of the land:

- Access is restricted
- No water
- Trees
- Fencing etc.

The new rent payable from April 2016 was agreed at an annual sum of £68.00 (13.2% increase) to be reviewed prior to April 2019. All agreed.

Milton Mausoleum

We have a number of events at the church during this year.

Sept 11th Heritage Open Day 2 – 4pm

*Speaker, Janet Roberts,
author of 'The Clumber Love Story'.*

December 3rd Winter Music 2pm.

These events are still being planned so please look for more information and posters soon.

For more information or to enquire about a group visit at other than our usual opening times please contact

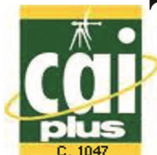
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8.00 Donation to Sports Field

8.01 The Chairman declared in interest in this item and therefore would not be able to vote if required.

The question posed was should the Parish Council support the Sports Club with an annual donation of £300. The donation was agreed for last year and this year proposed by Mr S Hill and seconded by Mr M Hennell. This item will be on future Annual Parish Meeting agendas and agreed then

9.00 Transparency Code

9.01 It was confirmed by the 1st July 2016 deadline the Parish Council will be fully compliant with code and all information will be on website, it will also be available to view by appointment with The Clerk if required. The Chairman thanked D Brown for the creation and continued maintenance of the website.

10.00 Police Aid Money (cloths bank collection Dovecote car park)

10.01 At parish meeting 25th May 2013 it was minuted that the funds raised would be used for village signs and current funds are held in a safe account for this purpose, It was agreed that this savings fund should continue to build for this purpose. Mr S Hill suggested that we may need to seek alternative income to move this project forward sooner. It was agreed that at next meeting a Project Group would be set up to manage this better.

11.00 Wellington Maintenance Fund

11.01 This has been renamed for clarity and the funds remaining will be used for the maintenance and upkeep of Wellington Memorial.

12.00 Matters for Future Discussion

12.01 Mr D brown asked about progress with the village defibrillator. Mr M Manning confirmed that it will be located in the Visitor Centre and that we are awaiting confirmation of a FOC machine from N&SDC- Agenda item for next meeting.

The Chairman stated as the Parish Council was an elected body he would do all he could to ensure it was run in a professional manner, there being no other matters the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm

Date, Time & Location Of Next meeting

3rd August 2016 at 7.30pm at Moorhouse Church

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The Choir have performed two super concerts during June with a most varied repertoire and excellent

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regarding them. Do log into it. We have 4 unclaimed raffle prizes left from our Edwinstowe concert. If you have a winning ticket and wish to claim your prize please contact Jan at 01623 823416

The numbers are;

Blue 873 and 874

White 178 and 190

All our details are on our website including an invitation to join us . If you enjoy singing you would be most welcome. We are a very supportive and friendly group of people. We rehearse every Wednesday from 7-30pm until 9-30pm above the Concert Hall at the Dukeries Academy in Ollerton. This is best accessed via the Leisure Centre entrance and car park.

However we are taking a three week Summer break. There will be no rehearsals on 17 August, 24 August and 31 August 2016.

We are so looking forward to our next concert which will be a joint one with "Les Baladins des Bords de L'Indre" from Tours, France. on Friday 28 October at East Drayton Church. We do not yet know whether we shall be required to sing in French but we do have a French Lady in the choir and I do know where the Dictionaries and Phrase books are!

I am off outside again to continue the war against the largest population of slugs and snails I have ever known. The toll is usually -- slugs- Nil, me-lots! I have a friend who cannot bear to kill them, so collects them in a pot and takes them to a highly plant orientated lay by and releases them for their holiday.

Have a lovely pest free Summer.

Jan

Inheritance Fraud Warning

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Action fraud have sent this alert:

Inheritance fraud usually occurs when you are told that someone very rich has died and you are in line to receive a huge inheritance. A fraudster claiming an official position contacts you stating that a person sharing your family name has died and left behind a vast amount of money. They suggest that you can be the beneficiary of the estate and rather than handing any 'Inheritance Tax' over to the government you can split the inheritance with the fraudster. They will stress the need for secrecy. To hurry you into making a hasty decision, they will also stress the need to act quickly.

If you respond the fraudster will ask you to pay various fees – taxes, legal, banking etc. – so they can release your non-existent inheritance. Each time you make a payment, the fraudsters will invent a reason why you cannot be paid without another payment. If you ask, you will be told why the fees cannot be taken from your inheritance and have to be paid up front.

If you become reluctant to pay the fraudsters will put pressure on you by reminding you how close you are to receiving a sum of money much greater than the fees you've already handed over. They may also ask for your bank details so they can pay the inheritance directly into your bank account. **If you hand over your bank details, the fraudsters can use them to empty your account.**

You could be a victim of inheritance fraud if:

- You've heard that someone you may be related to has died without leaving a will and you may be in line to inherit.
- You've paid fees to 'research specialists' for an estate report that includes information on the inheritance and how you can claim it.

What should you do if you're a victim of inheritance fraud?

- End all contact with the fraudsters. Don't send any more money. Don't give them your bank details.
- If you have already given the fraudsters your bank account details, alert your bank immediately.
- If you receive any threats from the fraudsters once you have stopped co-operating with them, alert the police immediately.

- Be aware that you're now likely to be a target for other frauds. Fraudsters often share details about people they have successfully targeted, using different identities to commit further frauds. People who have fallen victim to fraudsters are particularly vulnerable to the 'fraud recovery fraud'. This is when fraudsters contact people who've already lost money through fraud and claim to be law enforcement officers or lawyers. They'll advise the victim that they can help them recover their lost money – but request a fee.

Protect yourself against inheritance fraud

- Although there are legitimate companies who make a living by tracking down heirs, they do not do it in this way. If you are asked for a fee for a report, it is very likely to be bogus.
- Letters/documents provided by the fraudsters are generally badly written. Look out for spelling mistakes and poor grammar.
- Beware if you are asked to contact a webmail address such as @Yahoo or @Hotmail. As a rule, legitimate law firms do not use them.
- As in most cases of fraud, if the promise seems too good to be true, it most probably is.
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Chris Levy's Last Holy Communion



Brenda Noble representing Laxton and Simon Hill representing Moorhouse present our gift to Revd. Chris Levy

After the service he was presented with a gift from us all at Laxton and Moorhouse along with a card which everyone had signed. The gift was cash to buy something for the new home he and Denise will be moving to.

Chris was thanked for everything



It was a sad day for us all on Sunday July 10th 2016 as it was the Revd. Chris Levy's last Communion service at St Michael the Archangel Church, Laxton before he retires as our priest-in-charge on 31st July.



he had done for us; for his support and for the friendship he has given to us all over the last nine years while he has been our priest-in-charge.

Refreshments were then served and there was a surprise cake for Chris to cut. Thanks to Ruth, Janet Cook's daughter for doing a great job with the cake which Chris served to everyone.

Once again thanks Chris, from us all at Laxton and Moorhouse.