

# Community update



There is a 'community alert' service offering information about crimes and crime prevention. For more information, and to sign up, you could visit the website [www.hucknallcommunity.co.uk](http://www.hucknallcommunity.co.uk)

The police use a Facebook page [www.facebook.com/nottspolice/](http://www.facebook.com/nottspolice/)

The Council is aware of further incidents of anti-social behaviour on the playing field and the Village Hall car-park. It is important that we work together to keep the facilities safe and usable. It is worth remembering that CCTV operates on the field. If you have any concerns about anti-social behaviour (**but the circumstances are not an emergency**) or to report a crime that has already happened, you should use the non-emergency numbers **101** or **112**. You can also discuss your concerns with our PCSO, **Kirsty Szeluk** ([kirsty.szeluk4764@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:kirsty.szeluk4764@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk))

We have had reports of fraudsters phoning residents threatening prosecution by HMRC. Be aware that this is a scam. HMRC would never contact people in this way. Similarly, there have been several cases in the County of bogus 'tree surgeons' knocking on doors looking for work to prune or fell trees and shrubs. Several old people in Nottinghamshire have been targeted and over-charged in this scam.

During the dark nights of winter the number of burglaries often increases. Early in January there were several break-ins, targeting sheds and the theft of portable equipment. The criminals have applied considerable force and determination to break through/cut numerous locks. Please make sure that your valuables are secure, and contact the police if you witness any suspicious behaviour or are a victim.

## The Defibrillator

There is a Defibrillator available at the Village Hall.

The machine is fully automatic with a simple two-step process that gives the first person to respond to a cardiac arrest the confidence they need to help save a life. A responder only needs to turn on the device and apply the electrode pads to the victim. The fully automatic nature of the machine is designed to deliver a shock only if it determines that a heart needs it. No one even needs to press a 'shock' button.

The defibrillator is located in the Village Hall porch, on the right hand side, in a bright yellow container. It is available for use by any member of the community. It can only be accessed and used after obtaining a code from EMAS when dialling 999. The code received unlocks the key safe at the side of the yellow box. Please replace the key after use.



**H-R sub-committee meeting 7th March at 7:30 at Brook Fm, Linby**

**Next Full Council Meeting on 13th March, with Open Forum, at 7:15pm**

Inspector Chris Pearson will attend the meeting to listen to Parishioner's concerns.

All parishioners are welcome to attend

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# PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

## NEWSLETTER

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## Council News

The last newsletter was circulated in June. This is a brief summary of activities in the parish.

We entered the Nottinghamshire Best Kept Village competition, but were not chosen for the second round. We were able to improve the floral displays in the planters and new planters were installed at some of the entrances to the village, using funds provided by the Parish Council and our Borough Councillors. We held two 'Tidy-up' events last year which were very successful, with a group of residents volunteering to assist. We collected bags of litter and cleaned all the road signs around the village. The Council has agreed to hold further events this year, see below for more detail.

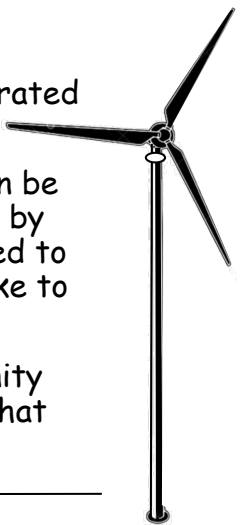
The Council once again supported the British Legion 'lamp-post poppies' initiative. Councillors agreed to underwrite the cost of increasing the number of poppies displayed. They also erected 'silent tommy' memorials in the village during November. In November, the Council unveiled the re-sited memorial on the playing field, of which there are more details below.

## Papplewick Environment and Community Fund

The Marshall family are going to donate £2000 per year from the income generated by the Barracks wind turbine into a fund to improve the local environment.

The fund will be administered by a Council Working Party. Funding applications can be made by any person or group who have a scheme which will benefit the community by improving the environment. In the first year of the scheme, the Council has agreed to fund additional planters to brighten the appearance of the parish. If you would like to know more about the fund and how it is administered, please contact the Clerk.

If you have a good idea about an environmental project that would have a community benefit please let us know. The working party will meet later this year to agree what plans can be made for the next round of funding.



## The Papplewick Chapel war memorial

When Papplewick Chapel closed many years ago, the War Memorial, commemorating men killed in the First World War, was not removed. Councillors, working with the new owners of the former chapel, designed a scheme to return the memorial to a public place, by re-siting it in the 'quiet corner' on the Queen Elizabeth Playing Field. A stone feature has been constructed to display the plaque. In November, a few days before the anniversary of the end of the conflict, the memorial was re-dedicated in a short ceremony attended by Councillors, a contingent from the British Legion and members of the local community.

## Neighbourhood Plan followed up



The successful adoption of the Neighbourhood Plan opens up the next phase of the project. Councillors have begun discussions about writing an Action Plan, to put into effect the aspirations which were expressed in the plan. A copy of the adopted plan is available on the Council website.

If you have an opinion about what the Council's priorities should be, contact the Clerk or come and talk to us at the next meeting.

# News from around the Parish



## Papplewick and Linby Village Hall

The Hall is still a popular venue. A continuing programme of refurbishment keeps the Village Hall attractive and usable. The Trustees and Management Committee would welcome offers of new members from the community, and your input and suggestions for future plans.

Please contact Kathryn Holmes on 07817 649 643 [pandlvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pandlvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk) to share your ideas, or to make a booking.

## Woodland update

Last year, the County Council (NCC) carried out a safety audit of trees overhanging the footpaths and roads around Moor Pond Woods, with concerning results. Honey fungus has attacked the roots and trunks of many of the trees along the edge of Moor Road. Many of those trees are growing along the embankment around Moor Pond and have shallow roots and/or lean out towards the road. There is concern about the condition of these trees, and others elsewhere on site.

A number of trees needed urgent work (pollarding and coppicing) to address immediate safety concerns - 4 oak, 10 ash, 3 willow and a small stand of mixed trees near Linby Lane layby. This work was carried out last year. The situation has been reassessed and it has been agreed that further work is still required. NCC are arranging for this work to take place as soon as possible. NCC will ensure that the trees are surveyed for nesting birds and protected species (roosting bats), and take the results of these surveys into account. The work will require some closure of the woodland paths, please observe the safety notices which will be displayed as the work begins.



## Clean up the Parish

Could you spare a couple of hours to directly improve our environment? You may have noticed how much rubbish accumulates alongside our roads and paths. The Parish Council has signed up for the **Great British Spring Clean**, a national campaign, in association with the 'Keep Britain Tidy' campaign, and held a successful event at the beginning of March.

Volunteers are invited to meet at the Griffin's Head for a hot drink at ...  
**9:30am on Saturday 9th February**

There are two tasks. We will be working in teams to clear as much additional rubbish as possible, and we hope to clean up all the signs around the village.

Help us to plan ahead, please **contact the Clerk** if you are willing to help out.

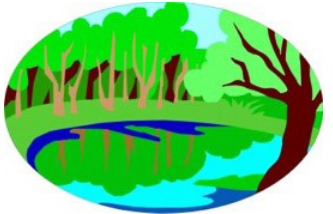
## Bonfire and Fireworks Night — update

Thanks to everyone who came along to this year's bonfire and fireworks night. We are sure you will all agree that the fireworks were amazing this year, and that the whole event was a great success.

The event raised £3,330, which has been distributed equally between Papplewick Parish Council, Linby Parish Council, and Papplewick and Linby Village Hall

## Moor Pond Woods Project

The focus of the group so far this year is completion of the excavations near Dam Banks and Papplewick Lane. Work continues at those sites. The group is also in the process of applying for money from various sources towards upgrading the paths around Papplewick Dam Wood. Ramped access from the layby has been created, to the benefit all users, but particularly those with pushchairs or limited mobility. The next phase will be to relay the paths near the fishing pond and replace the footbridge over the river. Some bank-work is needed near the waterfall, to prevent further erosion.



## Forthcoming events

**Wednesday 27th Feb.** The group will meet at the Village Hall at 7:30pm.  
**Speaker Peter Hammond— 'The history of glass bottles'**

For information about the group and its activities contact [mpw@papplewick.org](mailto:mpw@papplewick.org)

*A date for your diary .....*

**Friday, 15th March 2019**  
Village Hall : 7.00 for 7.30 pm start

## BARN DANCE

Pie & Pea supper  
(with Veggie option)

For tickets or to reserve  
vegetarian option contact  
Mrs M. Kerr 0115 963 2777



# #pappfest2018

## Papplewick Village Fayre - update

The sun shone, and what a wonderful afternoon we had. We hope you all enjoyed yourselves. The money is now all in, and we are delighted to say that this year's event raised a grand total of £4,000. A big thankyou to everyone who supported us.

We have decided to hold back some of year's funds to cover some of the necessary upfront costs for next year (insurance, toilets, etc), leaving us £2,850 to donate to our chosen charities.

Donations have been made to Nottingham Hospitals Renal Charity, Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance, Papplewick Pre-School, and Papplewick Riding for the Disabled.

Thank you all again for your amazing generosity.

This year's event will take place on **Saturday 31 August**. Find us on Facebook for more details