

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Huntingdonshire District Council Election of Parish Councillors for Woodhurst (Seven Councillors)

1. Forms of nomination for Parish Elections may be obtained from Clerks to Parish Councils or Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN from the Returning Officer who will, at the request of an elector for any electoral area prepare a nomination paper for signature.
2. Nomination papers must be delivered to the Returning Officer, Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN on any day after the date of this notice but no later than 4 pm on Friday, 6th April 2018.
3. If any election is contested the poll will take place on Thursday, 3rd May 2018.
4. Applications, amendments or cancellations of postal votes and amendments or cancellations of proxy votes must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN by 5 pm on Wednesday, 18th April 2018.
5. New applications to vote by proxy at this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN by 5 pm on Wednesday, 25th April 2018.
6. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election on grounds of physical incapacity or for work/service reasons must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN by 5 pm on Thursday, 3rd May 2018. The physical incapacity must have occurred after 5 pm on Wednesday, 25th April 2018. To apply on the grounds of work/service, the person must have become aware that they cannot go to the polling station in person after 5 pm on Wednesday, 25th April 2018.

For further details search ELECTIONS at WWW.HUNTINGDONSHIRE.GOV.UK
or contact HDC Electoral Services on 01480 388017

Woodhurst News

Spring 2018

Wheatsheaf Road Litter Pick

The Parish Council are organizing their Annual Litter Pick on the Wheatsheaf Road on the weekend of April 21st and 22nd.

In previous years we have collected around 50 bags of rubbish and parts of cars. The picture shows how much was picked up in just a few hours last year.



Gloves, Bags and Hi-Vis will be provided, but you should wear suitable footwear. You must be over 18.

Meet at Manor Farm (opposite the pond) at 10.30 on either day or both!

Dog Fouling

Once again there has been a noticeable increase in the amount of dog fouling in the village. This is apparent not just around the footpath network and Church Lane but also on verges that householders take the time to maintain. Please do pick up after your dog and deposit bags in the bins provided around the village.

Forthcoming Meetings

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Village Hall on 11th April 2018 at 7.30pm.

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will take place on 9th May 2018, again in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

The Council are **still** looking for someone to take on the collating, production and delivery of Woodhurst News as a paid role for the Council. If you are interested in producing the newsletter 4 times a year, please get in touch with Neil Farbon (824356) or Andy Notman (823797)

Woodhurst Village Hall

Previous Events

In October, a well supported Halloween trick or treating event was much enjoyed by the participating children with lots of pumpkins out round the village to show where trick or treaters were welcome. The village bar was open and there was a great turn-out. Bar profits of £94 and new hall donations of £90 added to the success of the evening.

Thanks to John and Steph for their hard work in setting the annual Christmas Quiz, won this time by the SatNavs. The proceeds of £266 will go towards the annual running costs of the Hall.

Snow in the morning didn't deter the helpers and guests at the annual Woodhurst Pensioners Christmas Lunch. 30 villagers dined with one lunch being walked round to the door of a guest who wasn't able to make it through the snow. Thanks to everyone who cooked, hosted, waited on the tables, washed up and cleared the paths of snow! Another successful and very sociable event which raised £162 for Village Hall funds.

Another fun filled afternoon was had at the annual Woodhurst Children's Christmas Party, thank you to all who helped and attended.

22 brave people turned out for the New Year's Day walk in the pouring rain and cold wind but enjoyed some delicious bowls of homemade soup back at the Hall.

The Hall has also been hired by local groups and individuals including for birthday parties, by a weekly local wellbeing meeting, a Pilates class for the Local Riding Club and a paediatric first aid course. The hall is available to hire at £7.50 per hour for villagers – please contact Annabel Farbon for more information or message from the Village Hall Facebook page.

New Hall - Update

Our thanks to everyone who has offered their help with the fundraising for the new village hall. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who has offered their help, skills and enthusiasm. As previously reported, we now have planning permission to re-build the village hall and the next step is to put the fundraising plan in place and securing what we can from in grants before progressing with the works themselves. As well as a shiny new building, we want to put in a small "shop" for essentials and posting facilities, a proper archive for all the fantastic historic village research that Shirley has undertaken, network IT for lone workers and have drop in coffee facilities. As well as hiring it out for events we are also hoping to get some more local groups off the ground.

If anyone else is interested in getting involved then please contact Louisa at Meadowcroft (on the Facebook group as Martin Booth).

Find @woodhurstvillagehall on Facebook for updates

Village Hall Dates for your diaries

20th April – St George's Day Bar Night
6th May – Village Cream Teas
16th – 24th June – Woodhurst Feast Week
7th September – Bar Night
27th October - Halloween Party
8th December - Christmas Quiz
9th December – Woodhurst Pensioners Christmas Lunch

St John The Baptist

Upcoming Services

Sunday March 25th- COMMUNION at 6 pm

Sunday April 1st- **EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE** at 10.30

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SERVICE

The Royal British Legion will again be attending a service to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the death of John Murden and Frederick Furness who lived in this village. The special service will take place on Sunday May 20th at 10.30am.

FUNDRAISING

An impressive 47 diners sat down for a pudding based menu in the Church recently. A good time was had by all and the event raised in excess of £800.

OPEN MORNINGS

These are held on the first Saturday of every month in the Church between 10.30am and 12pm. Free coffee/tea and a chance to win a delicious cake. A chance also to meet and have a chat.

BOOK STALL

There is a permanent book swap stall in the Church on the left behind the main door and villagers are welcome to use this at any time when the Church is open during daylight hours.

The Rector and the Church Committee remain grateful to all who support the Church whether financially, attending services and events or through the giving of time.