

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

- Sat 5th Open Morning, St John the Baptist Church, 10:30-12:30
Sat 5th Harvest Supper in aid of St John the Baptist Church,
Village Hall, 19:30 - 22:30
Wed 9th Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 19:30 - 21:00
Sat 26th Halloween Party inc Trick or Treat, Village Hall, timing TBC
Sat 26th Bar Night, Village Hall, timing TBC

NOVEMBER

- Sat 2nd Open Morning, St John the Baptist Church, 10:30-12:30
Wed 13th Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 19:30 - 21:00
Sat 23rd Advent Fayre, St John the Baptist Church, timing TBC

DECEMBER

- Sat 7th Open Morning, St John the Baptist Church, 10:30-12:30
Sat 7th Quiz Night, Village Hall, timing TBC
Sun 8th Pensioners Lunch, Village Hall, timing TBC
Wed 11th Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 19:30 - 21:00

Keep your eyes open for flyers, boards and online updates to provide more information nearer the events.

VILLAGE CONTACTS

Want to ask a question or volunteer to help? Then please get in touch:

Parish Council

Chairman: Andy Notman - andy.notman@woodhurst-cambs.com
Clerk: Sarah Mizuro - parishclerk@woodhurst-cambs.com

Village Hall

Louisa Jones - 07847 643879

St John the Baptist Church

Rev Sue Simpson - 01487 840676

Don't forget you can catch up with all the latest news, including Parish Council minutes, on the village notice boards or online:

<http://www.woodhurst-cambs.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/woodhurst/>



WOODHURST NEWS

Autumn/Winter 2019



PARISH COUNCIL

Local Highways Initiative (LHI) Bid

Following the failure of our last LHI bid for funding to improve road safety within the village, we have now raised a new bid for this year's round of funding. This will hopefully allow measures to be introduced at the entrances of the village to reduce speed.

In addition, selected households will soon be contacted with regard to putting 30mph stickers on their bins. This is thought to be an effective measure at strategic points within the village rather than putting them on every bin.

The Parish Council are also talking to neighbouring councils about borrowing a Speed Indicator Device to enable data gathering to back up our bid. We won't know the results until at least March 2020, and any scheme which is approved is likely to be installed later on that year.

Dog Mess

Whilst we expect dog walkers to clear up after their dogs and place the deposits in the various bins around the village, we do not expect residents to save up their dogs output for a couple of weeks, we assume from a garden, and put it in an unsealed compost bag in the bin at West End.

This causes the bin liner to get pushed down into the bin and our contractors then have to remove all the bags placed on top before emptying it out. It's a bad enough job already without that, so please dispose of your dogs home produce in your own bin.

Phone Box Defibrillator

The installation of the defibrillator in the phone box is imminent and will be a potential life saving addition to the village. This has been funded by donations made to the First Responder appeal a few years ago with the balance being met by the Parish Council. On-going maintenance costs will also be met by the parish council. Many thanks to Lynn Crossland who will be stepping down as our resident First Responder and who has been instrumental in getting the defibrillator installed.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

The PCC would like to thank everyone for the very generous £850 donation from Feast Week which is greatly appreciated. We are about to start some external repairs to the Church walls and this will really help to support the work.

We have our annual Harvest Supper on 5th October. This is always a great night with wonderful food and lovely company. Tickets are available from Liz at Harradine House with all profits going to support the Church. After positive feedback we are also hoping to organise a Games Night, the date TBC, please see Facebook for updates.

On November 23rd we will be holding our Advent Fayre. If you are able to help then please contact Shirley Firth on 01487 822958. We will also soon be announcing the dates for our Christmas services. As ever there will be a Carol Service and the traditional Midnight Service

Finally, a big thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with the daily opening of the Church. Everyone is invited to make use of this beautiful space for quiet reflection, so if you're passing then please do pop in and sit for a while.

Any enquiries on Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, General Services or if you would like a Pastoral visit or know someone who would benefit from a visit the please contact Rev. Sue Simpson on 01487 840676



**Saturday 5th
October**

HARVEST SUPPER

**Woodhurst
Village Hall**

SATURDAY 5TH OCTOBER

7.30pm

Join us for a delicious three-course meal,
in aid of our church St John the Baptist.
Bring your own drinks!!

Tickets £15 per person, to book contact
Liz Pendered on 07710 888480 or
lizzipendered@gmail.com

VILLAGE HALL

It's been a busy few months in the Village Hall. We are pleased to report another extremely successful Feast Week, from Bistro night to Family Fun Day; thank you to everyone who baked, bought, volunteered and donated. After expenses, Feast Week raised £1,900 which will be split jointly with the Church to be spent on village improvements.

Thank you to everyone who came along to the very popular quiz night which was great fun as 12 teams battled it out for top spot. The reigning champions were defeated but will be back in December to try and reclaim their title.

We have also hosted several well attended bar nights. If you haven't been for a while please do come along as we have refreshed our bar list and now carry a wider range of beers, wines and spirits.

The ever-popular Afternoon Tea was another lovely event with the scones declared the best ever. It was certainly delicious and worth keeping an eye out for the next one.



We just need to sign off on some admin before sharing our plans for the new Hall. What we can tell you is that all the money we have raised together as a community is already being used to upgrade the current facilities. Thanks to the Cubs and Scouts the Hall has been painted and the outside areas cleared and tidied up. The bar area has been extended and we have invested in some proper fridges, the chairs have been replaced and we are going to order some new blinds. The entrance area is due to be re-carpeted shortly and we are looking at upgrading the kitchen facilities as well as sorting out the hot water issue.

So please do come along and see what we've been up to.

