

Woodhurst Village Hall

We are delighted to announce that the total raised during Feast Week was £2,173.30 which has been split 50/50 with the church. This is a fantastic amount and our thanks to everyone for their help and support.

Following the break in at the Village Hall after the July Bar Night we can confirm that nothing was taken. Luckily, nothing of note is kept on site and the damage was minimal.

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. For those of you who haven't been collared, we now have planning permission to rebuild the village hall and have exciting plans! 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 research 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 local groups off the ground.

We are currently in the process of signing off the final costings and then we'll be in touch with everyone to discuss next steps if anyone else is interested in getting involved then please contact Louisa @ Meadowcroft (on the Facebook group as Martin Booth).

Saturday 28th October

HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN, BBQ & VILLAGE BAR

Saturday 9th December

WOODHURST CHRISTMAS QUIZ

Sunday 10th December

WOODHURST PENSIONERS LUNCH

Friday 22nd December

**KIDS CRAFT MORNING & HALL DECORATING
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

CHRISTMAS 100 CLUB

Tickets will be on sale in November, with ALL draws in the first week of December. The final draw will be at the Village Quiz Night

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COMMUNITY ROAD WATCH

At various times during the summer a number of volunteers from Woodhurst have been monitoring traffic numbers, speeding and HGV journeys through the village.

Around 11% of all vehicles passing through the village were travelling at over 35mph, which is the limit at which Police would take action.

The top speed recorded during the sessions was 49mph along Church Street at 8.30am. Disappointingly a number of village residents were also spotted doing over 35mph. Any commercial vehicles which were speeding or HGVs which were travelling through the village were written to by the Roadwatch scheme to remind them of their responsibilities. For example Dominos were contacted regarding the vehicle in the picture which was clocked at 40mph at 6pm.



It is interesting to note that on a normal day we have around 200 vehicles an hour through Church Street at peak times. When roadworks caused delays between Houghton and St Ives, around 600 vehicles per hour were coming through with traffic being higher all day.

The Parish Council are arranging for 30mph Bin Stickers for selected households based on advice from the Community Roadwatch co-ordinator. In addition we are discussing if any further measures can be taken to reduce the numbers of vehicles speeding through the village. There may also be an automated logging device fitted for a short while to measure the vehicles over a longer period to provide evidence for any funding measures we may require to implement any changes; also so that we can monitor more carefully any changes to traffic numbers should any development happen at RAF Wyton in the future.

Thanks to all those who gave up their time to take part in the sessions

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)

St John The Baptist

Monthly Services

First Sunday of the Month : 6pm Evensong

Second Thursday of the Month: 10am Communion

Third Sunday of the Month: 10.30 Family Service (4pm from September)

Fourth Sunday of the Month: 6pm Communion

If there is a fifth Sunday, there will be a Benefice Service in one of the Benefice Churches- Woodhurst, Pidley, Old Hurst or Somersham

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Sunday November 12th 10.45

The provisional date for the Carol Service is Sunday December 17th and there will be a midnight service on Christmas Eve

Fundraising

Advent Fair

Saturday November 25th 10.30 - 2.30.

Our Annual Advent Fayre is the perfect present purchasing opportunity. If anyone would like to have a stall at the Fair please contact Caroline at 824476.

Harvest Supper in the Village Hall

Thank you to those who attended the recent Harvest Supper. It was a very enjoyable evening with over £500 raised for the Church. Particular thanks to Liz Pendered and Sarah Richardson for organizing the event, to all those who contributed and finally to David and Kristi Johnson- Fusion Travel Solutions 01487 825678 based in the village for kindly sponsoring the event.

Open Mornings

These are held the first Saturday of every month in the church. Free coffee/ tea and chance to win a delicious cake. A chance also to meet and have a chat. There is now a paperback book swop in the church on a permanent basis. As the church is now open during the day you can pop in any time to swop a book. The PCC would like to thank the village for supporting this event during the year.

Parish Council

Dog Fouling

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.

Village Maintenance

The Parish Council have taken over responsibility for the various planters around the village following the folding of Natural Woodhurst. Our maintenance contractors in the village, Joe and Carol Jeakins, have carried out this work for the Council and on your behalf. Currently they are clearing leaves from various places around the village.

If you would like to see how Joe can help you, please do contact him on 01487 823120. He is fully insured and can turn his hand to all gardening jobs.

Are you on Facebook ?

Why not join the Woodhurst Facebook Group? This is a closed group which is limited to Woodhurst residents and is a good way of finding out who is who and what is what in the village and to be notified of meetings and events

The Parish Council and Village Hall also have their own Facebook page which you can follow, comment on and send messages to. Search for @woodhurstparishcouncil or @woodhurstvillagehall

First Responders

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP OTHERS WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY ?

The Woodhurst First Responder Group are looking to recruit new members on a voluntary basis.

The role would involve you giving up a small amount of your spare time to respond to Emergency calls from the Ambulance service.

Full training will be given and you will be fully supported by the other responders in Woodhurst and Somersham.

If you just like to know a bit more or just a chat to see what it's all about please contact Lynn or Gary on lynn.crossland@icloud.com