The Willoughby Monthly

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Welcome to the December edition of the WM. November brought us rain and wind and at times a decided drop in temperature. Winter is upon us so time to make sure that everyone is safe and warm during cold snaps especially those who are frail or ill.

It has been an eventful year with the RBC Local Plan dominating the early months, followed by a long wait to hear the Inspectors conclusions and the pleasant surprise that he had actually listened which is more than RBC had done. Much work has been done in the Village since to produce a Neighbourhood Development Plan that recently completed its first draft consultation stage. It seems as though the process has been designed to make everyone too weary to respond to the consultations and eventual referendum. However, without high levels of participation by residents the resulting plan will not carry great weight with the planning officials.

Finally, a word of thanks to everyone who gives their time to the Village and its residents be they Parish Councillors, involved in running one of the organisations, or just putting chairs away after a Village Hall event. Without volunteers the Village would be a poorer place to live in.

I hope you all have a very Happy Christmas!!

Richard Jackson

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
02-Dec-18	4:00 PM	Church	Christingle	Church
03-Dec-18	7:30 PM	W.C.C.	Bottle Bingo Evening	The Green
08-Dec-18	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	The Devils Violin Company with STOLEN	Village Hall
09-Dec-18	11:00 AM	Church	Family Service	Church
13-Dec-18	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	Christmas Dinner	
13-Dec-18	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	Make a Decoration' with Donna Truslove	Village Hall
17-Dec-18	7:00 PM	Plan Group	Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group	Village Hall
21-Dec-18	6:15 PM		Carol Singing Around the Village	
24-Dec-18	11:00 PM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
29-Dec-18	12:00 PM	Church	Soup and Social	Village Hall
31-Dec-18			New Year's Eve Party	Village Hall

p.s. Don't forget to get your tickets for the New Year's Eve party!!

Thursday Club

13 December Christmas Lunch at the Wheatsheaf, Crick. Bus from Village Hall, 12 noon to leave at 12.15.pm

We are still collecting stamps and foreign and old coins, for Myton Hospice, just bring any to one of our meetings.

New members very welcome, ring Jim (the Sec) 891805.

Willoughby's Got Talent



Saturday 26th January, Willoughby will host it's first Talent Show! Do you have a talent that you would like to share? If you do please come and share it with Willoughby, 7pm Village Hall. Tickets £5 either as audience or contestant (included glass of wine and nibbles, children go free).

If you would like to enter please could you give **details of your entry to Karen Duggan:** Tel 07836 613987 or email <u>karenkitty@btinternet.com</u> by **30th December.**

Tickets available through Joss Ray - Barberry Cottage, Lower St (01788 891317) or Andrea Hughes - 4 White Barn Close (01788 891313).

Proceeds in aid of church roof.

Willoughby Women's Institute

Thursday 13^{th} (Earlier this month) 7:30pm in the Village Hall Donna Truslove will be helping us to 'Make a Decoration'

Oasis and flowers will be provided. Please bring a small container and any greenery/decorations you would like to add.

Competition is for a donation to Rugby Food Bank.

Happy Christmas Everyone.

Church

Granting of the Faculty means the main work on the roof can now start. Lead is not going back on because of theft issues. Grant bodies have been informed and hopefully the promised amounts should soon start to arrive. Although some do not pay out until completion.

The Bonfire Party raised \pm 508 profit and many thanks go to Elaine and Richard Heckford for hosting. Thank you also to the people who assisted and who supplied soup and food for the night. Without that help and support it would be difficult to hold events. It is really appreciated and was lovely to see so many of the community out enjoying the evening.

Pennies from Heaven raised £186 in September. Donations of over £1200 have been received following the appeal letter. Thank you very much. Some members of the PCC are attending local Craft Fairs to raise funds and there are still some donated items to sell. A Soup and Social is planned on 29^{th} December in the Village Hall at 12 noon. £5 bowl of soup and a roll and catch up. The church with its great age and history is a lifetimes commitment. Everyone's support and help is appreciated so much. Please wrap up warm if attending church until our roof complete. Merry Christmas Everyone.

Willoughby Society

Our last event of 2018 is Stolen performed by the Devils Violin. Something completely different!! 'Spellbinding storytellers perform their kaleidoscopic fairytale' for you.



Tickets are just £10 each from Richard Jackson, Hazeldene, Main Street, tel 891898 and Willoughby Society Committee members. There will be mince pies and mulled wine in the interval.

Thank you for your support for our events and the Society wishes you, your family, and your friends, a very happy Christmas and looks forward to welcoming you to its events in 2019.

Willoughby Cricket Club's Annual Bottle Bingo Night



Monday 3rd December

7.00pm for 7.30pm start

All welcome

Carol Singing - Friday 21st December

Please come and join in the festive singing as we travel the streets of Willoughby for our annual Carol Singing. We will start at the corner or Magdalen at 6.15pm, everyone welcome for all or just part or the evening. Any questions or requests ring Karen in 07836 613987 (proceeds in aid of church roof).



Willoughby Parish Council

Would being a Parish Councillor and serving your community be something that would interest you. If so please contact Mike Thomas for further information and to discuss what is involved. Email <u>mike.anthony.thomas@gmail.com</u> / tel. 891338.

Following the points raised by parishioners in the NDP questionnaire about reducing the speed limit through the Village to 20 mph and the A45 to 40 mph, your Parish Council have contacted Warwickshire County Council to try to see if this could be achieved. WCC have advised they would not support this speed reduction as they believe from the Government Information available this would not reduce speeding. It is believed that the reduction would not make any difference compared to the existing speed limit.

Your Parish Council have asked WCC Highways to clear the brook between Lower Street and the pumping station. WCC Water and Flood Risk managers have made a site visit and consider the vegetation to be of no threat even if there is heavy rain and recommend no clearance is carried out.

A new dog bin has been installed on Woolscott Lane between Lower Street and the A45.

Neighbourhood Plan

Everyone should now have received the Summary Report on the First Draft Plan consultation. The Steering Group wishes to thank everyone who completed a questionnaire. Your views and support have been enormously important to us over the past year in seeking to produce a Neighbourhood Plan which genuinely reflects how the community would like to see Willoughby Parish develop in the future.

We wish you all a very happy Christmas.

Police & Neighbourhood Watch

Sadly, Helena Seal one of our PCSOs has left the Police for a different career path. It remains to be seen whether she is replaced. Contact details for the remaining member of the team are below.

Crime prevention: Property marking is a deterrent to burglars and increases the likelihood of stolen items being recovered. Rachel has the Village property marking kit and can mark items. Contact her (see below) to arrange to take smaller items to her or a home visit, in the village, to mark larger items.

Police Community Support Officers for the area is PCSO Joanne Jackson, our Police Constable is PC 978 Andrew Crouch. They can be contacted on 01788 853851 this is the Safer Neighbourhood Team number so will reach a team member on duty quickly. The team also have an e-mail address : rrs.snt@warwickshire.police.uk .

Neighbourhood Watch: Rachel Settle (Co-ordinator) can contacted by

telephone on 01788 823823 (daytime) or 01788 890724 (evening & answerphone) or

e-mail neighbourhood.watch@willoughbyweb.net.

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Copies of the WM can be sent by e-mail or produced with large print on request.

Do let me have your ideas for improving the WM and, of course, any articles/notices you have for your fellow villagers. The deadline for submission of items for publication in the next edition is the 15th of the month. Send them to Richard Jackson, tel 891898, Hazeldene, Main Street, e-mail: willoughby_monthly@willoughbyweb.net

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26-Jan-19	Church	Willoughby's Got Talent	Village Hall