

# The Willoughby Monthly

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**Happy New Year and welcome to the January edition of the WM.** Since the last WM was written: we have had lots of rain resulting in flooding in Main Street, thankfully no properties were inundated; one referendum with an uncontestable result; and one election also with an uncontestable result. Let's hope 2020 is a more positive and progressive year.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan was finally adopted by RBC after the referendum result in favour of it being used to help determine applications for development in the Parish. It has been a long slog for the steering group but they can be satisfied that their efforts have reached a successful conclusion and they have made a real contribution to ensuring our Parish evolves in a sensible way in the coming years.

In the middle of last year the WM included an item about our First Responders and the requirement that they raise funds to cover their own expenses such as uniforms, equipment, and travel costs. The Rugby Lotto provides a means to give them regular support and have a chance of winning a prize. At this time of making resolutions a simple one would be to sign up to buy one or more tickets each week. Tickets are just £1 each and half goes to the nominated cause, i.e. the Leam Valley First Responders and a further 10% is shared amongst all the causes in the scheme. You can get more information and buy tickets at <https://www.rugbylotto.org/support/leam-valley-community-first-responders> . Two tickets would give over £50 to our First Responders. The time taken by ambulances in an emergency can be critical. This is when the First Responders provide an invaluable service to our community, do please, help them if you can.

Finally I wish you all a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year!!

**Richard Jackson**

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
09-Jan-20	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	Games Afternoon	Village Hall
11-Jan-20	12:00 PM	Church	Soup & Social	Village Hall
12-Jan-20	11:00 AM	Church	Family/All Age Service	Church
16 Jan 20	07:30 PM	Women's Institute	The Air Ambulance	Village Hall
23-Jan-20	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch - Sporting Club - Barby	Barby
26-Jan-20	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
29-Jan-20	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Film & Social	Village Hall

## Thursday Club

9 January: 2.30pm Village Hall, Games Afternoon

23 January: 12.30pm Pub Lunch. The Sporting Club, Barby. This is a change of date - the Leam Valley Messenger for December has the wrong date

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 Women's Institute**

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Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January, 7:30pm in the Village Hall. The first meeting of the New Year celebrating 100 years of Willoughby W.I..

The Air Ambulance will be with us talking about their vital work.

Annual subs are due this month.

We would love to see some new faces old or young.

Happy New Year to All.

## Willoughby Cricket Club

Cricket Club pre-season training

Pre-season nets and training for 2020 season starts in January.

Once again the club will be using the excellent indoor net facilities and hall at Bilton School in Rugby.

Junior/youth sessions – for Under 13s, 14s, and 15s - will be on Saturday afternoons, from 1.00pm to 3.00pm, starting Saturday 11th January and then running every Saturday until the end of March.

Senior/adult sessions will be on Tuesday evenings, from 8.00 to 9.00pm, starting Tuesday 14th January and then running every Tuesday.

See website – [www.willoughbycc.org.uk](http://www.willoughbycc.org.uk) – for further details, or contact Karl on 07775 883102

## Church

It was lovely to see people in the church for the meeting. Thank you very much to those who braved the weather. The difficulties facing the church, the work to be done and the work completed were highlighted. The next step is to invite interested people in the creation of a Friends Group. A letter will be coming round the village soon. Please give some thought as to whether you can spare any time or expertise.

It is not all about if you are a church goer or not. St Nicholas church is a Historic building and as such is valuable to the village community and worthy of preservation.

People are warmly invited to come to our monthly soup and social get togethers in the village hall £5 for bowl of soup a roll and a pudding. December's raised £150 for the church. The events are well attended all soup is hand made and it is a lovely chance to meet people have a catch up. January 11th and February 29th are dates for your diaries.

## Willoughby Society

Happy New Year Everyone!!

Our January meeting is on the 29<sup>th</sup> in the Village Hall at 7:30pm. This month will be a Film and Social night. If the Downton Abbey film DVD is available in time that will be the film if not a suitable alternative will be shown.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020 7:30pm**

**Willoughby Village Hall**

### **Sunjay Sings Buddy**

*with his band*

Sunjay returns, with his band and a programme of Buddy Holly music from the touring musical in which he played the lead role. He is a phenomenal guitarist and with his band it will be a fantastic concert, including That'll be the Day, Peggy Sue, Heartbeat, It's So Easy, Oh! Boy, and more. Don't miss it.

Tickets just £15.00 from Richard Jackson Hazeldene, Main Street tel 891898 or any Willoughby Society committee member.

Please bring your own drinks and nibbles etc.



### **Neighbourhood Development Plan**

#### **Referendum**

The referendum of local people was held on 2 December 2019. The result was as follows:

Electorate: 337      Ballot Papers Issued: 173      Turnout: 51.3%

Number of people who voted Yes: 169 (97.7%)

Number of people who voted No: 4 ( 2.3%)

The turnout was high for a neighbourhood plan referendum and we would like to thank everyone who took the time to vote. The decisive Yes vote is particularly pleasing as so many people in the parish contributed to the plan.

#### **Adoption by Rugby Borough Council**

On 17 December 2019, Rugby Borough Council formally 'made' (adopted) the Willoughby Neighbourhood Plan. This means that, in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations, our neighbourhood plan formally became part of the Local Development Plan for Rugby Borough and will be used by the Council to help decide on applications for planning permission within Willoughby Parish.

You can see the final version of the Willoughby Neighbourhood Plan (December 2019) at <https://www.willoughbyparishcouncil.org/neighbourhood-plan>

#### **And finally**

The work on creating the Neighbourhood Plan is now complete, so this is our final update. We appreciate all you have done and wish you a happy and successful year in 2020.

## Willoughby Parish Council

The Parish Council wish to thank the Neighbourhood Development Plan steering group for all their hard work in putting the plan together and getting such a great result to the referendum . Maggie Beech who chaired the group has been very enthusiastic and showed great attention to detail whilst providing excellent leadership. The rest of the group consisting of Brian Hall, Ken Miles, Jim Rowley and Steven Palmer all worked extremely hard to ensure the plan was a success. Whilst it has been a long haul taking over two years it will stand the Village in good stead for the future. Thanks also to all those who voted in the referendum which resulted in a great turnout of 51.3% and an excellent result.

Our consultant Louise Kirkup of Kirkwells has also provided great backup and helped in so many ways.

Wishing everyone a Happy and peaceful New Year.

### Notices

#### Bell Ringing

Willoughby Bell Ringers will be practising on Friday afternoons with a tea break. Please come along between 2.00pm and 3.00pm. All are welcome come along and have a go.

Please contact Kim Gibbard 01788891191 [kim.gibbard@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kim.gibbard@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Police & Neighbourhood Watch

Action on Fraud have reported recent instances of people being telephoned by a person claiming to be a police officer and told their bank account has been compromised. They are then persuaded to draw their funds in cash and hand it to a 'courier' who will put it in 'safe keeping' for them. No matter how convincing such a caller may be the Police will never ask anyone to withdraw money and ask you to give or send it to them. If you get a call like this report it as soon as possible.

**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](mailto:rrs.snt@warwickshire.police.uk) .

**Neighbourhood Watch:** Rachel Settle (Co-ordinator) can be contacted by telephone on 01788 823823 (daytime) or 01788 890724 (evening & answerphone) or e-mail [neighbourhood.watch@willoughbyweb.net](mailto:neighbourhood.watch@willoughbyweb.net).

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01-Feb-20	Willoughby Society	Sunjay Sings Buddy – Sunjay & his	Village Hall
14-Mar-20	Church	band St. Patricks Night (provisional)	Village Hall
24-Apr-20	Willoughby Society	The Mechanicals Band in Concert	Village Hall

#### Willoughby Monthly

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 is always the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Send them to Richard Jackson, tel 891898, Hazeldene, Main Street, e-mail: [wm@willoughbyweb.net](mailto:wm@willoughbyweb.net) .