# Willoughby Monthly

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Welcome to a slightly new look November edition of Willoughby Monthly. We've seen some glorious autumnal days with crisp mornings and cloudless skies. The trees are really starting to change colour too. Pumpkin picking and all things spooky were on the agenda last month. This month we have a bonfire and fireworks to look forward to. Remember to keep pets indoors and safe. Please could I also ask, if you intend to have fireworks at home that you inform your neighbours, especially those with livestock, as it can be a very distressing time for the animals. If owners know, they can make

preparation. Many thanks. There are a good variety of events on this month, hopefully something for everyone. The Flood Action Group will have their first meeting this month too. Hopefully they won't need to see action but it is good to know we have flood wardens and volunteers ready, should the need arise. Hannah

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
04-Nov-22	6:00PM	Church	Bonfire & Fireworks	Church
08-Nov-22	7:30 PM	Parish Council	Meeting	Village Hall
10-Nov-22	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	Murder Mystery Mishaps - Sue McKenzie	Village Hall
10-Nov-22	7:00PM	Quiz night	Village quiz night	The Rose
13-Nov-22	4:00PM	Church	Remembrance Service	Church
17-Nov-22	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch	tbc
17-Nov-22	7:30PM	Women's Institute	A.G.M	Village Hall
19-Nov-22	12:00PM	Church	Soup & Social	VIllage Hall
19-Nov-22	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Sunjay in Concert	Village Hall
27-Nov-22	11:00AM	Church	Holy Communion Service	Church
30-Nov-22	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	A.G.M.	Village Hall

### **Parish Council News**

#### **New Councillor - Stuart Sheppard**

We are delighted that Stuart has agreed to join the Parish Council. He moved to Willoughby in early 2020 and lives at Manor Farm Barns. You can meet Stuart at Parish Council meetings and he has offered to act as the facilitator for two of the volunteer groups.

#### **Responses and Solutions document**

The Council's 'Responses and Solutions' to issues raised in the Community Survey and at the Community Meeting in September has now been published on the website. If anyone would like a paper copy of this document or the Community Survey Report which contains all the responses from residents, please contact Jo Jarman at willoughbyparishclerk@gmail.com or 07809 197817 and we will arrange delivery.

#### **Volunteer Groups**

The response from residents to join volunteer groups to improve our community has been brilliant. There are now five groups being established with councillors acting as facilitators to arrange the initial meetings. The groups are:

- Upgrading street lights: research and write report Malcolm Lewis
- Community speed watch Stuart Sheppard
- Updating the flood action plan Maggie Beech
- Flood wardens Mike Thomas
- Traffic problems: research and write report Stuart Sheppard
- Footpaths Rod Honess has developed an action plan and will take this forward.

If you would like to join any of these groups, please contact Jo Jarman or the councillor concerned.

#### **Next Parish Council meeting**

The next meeting is on Tuesday, 8 November 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

You are welcome to attend the meeting and to send us any suggestions, ideas or feedback you may have either by email or by phone. Please contact Jo Jarman, our Parish Clerk, or one of the councillors, if you prefer.

# **Thursday Club**

10 November 2.30pm Village Hall: Sue McKenzie 'Murder Mystery Mishaps'

17 November 12.30pm Pub Lunch. There will be a sign up sheet at the Meeting on 10 November

We shall support the Church's Christmas Tree Festival, and also the Christmas Fayre raising funds for the Village Hall. Please make sure you pay (to Pat Atkins) the balance for your Christmas Dinner by 10th November, if you haven't already! New members always welcome enquiries to our Sec, Jim Rowley 01788 891 805

#### W.I.

Our November meeting is on the 17th November at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. It's that time again, it's our AGM. Your opportunity to find out what we do and maybe even join us now or in the future! After our formal business there will be time for refreshments and a chat.

#### **CHURCH**

Building Projects: St Nicholas puzzle is slowly revealing more clues. During the hard hat tour recently it was suggested that the tower was originally separate to the church. This ties in with a 1630 receipt for loads of stone to build a steeple. It will be interesting to see what is revealed when the tiles are taken off the other side. Please contact Karen if you are interested in a hard hat tour (07866572209 or kjndon@aol.com). It is hoped the building work will be complete by Christmas.

Children's choir for the Carol Services. For children aged 5-11 from Willoughby or Grandborough. Rehearsals 9-30 to 10-30 Sunday 20th Nov, 27th Nov, 4th Dec and 11th Dec.. Enquires Kathryn Watson 07952 884390, Natalie Heckford 07793020585 and Karen 078667572209.

The Heritage calendars will be on sale £5. Lovely pictures of the village and space to jot down those all-important events we have in our lives. We also have post cards and cards of our Peace Window. Look out for these at future church events. Sponsored by the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

Remembrance Sunday 13th Nov. 4pm. Join us for Memories of the World War 2 with music and memories from those who volunteered to keep our country running whilst the men went off to fight.

Bonfire and Fireworks field behind church Friday 4th Nov, from 6pm. Donations for Leamington Hastings School and church, soup and refreshments.

Soup and Social on Nov 19th 12-2pm. (wrong date put on posters)

#### **Church Events Next Month**

Dec 2nd 5-7pm Christmas Craft.

Dec 3rd Tree festival set up.

Dec 4th at 4pm Christingle in Church. Christingle oranges made in church.

Dec 9th 5-7-30pm and 10th 5-8pm Christmas trail and tree festival.

Dec 10th Christmas Market 1-30-4pm Village Hall Stalls £5 contact Sue 07889532810, Karen 07866572209.

Santa Dash, Dec 10th Village Hall. 9-30 registration 10-00am start £5 per family, £3 individual. A short Santa Dash with medal at end. Refreshments inc sausage and bacon baps on sale

11th Dec at 4pm The Posada will once again make its way through the village ending up in the church Carol Service evening.

Art workshops are planned in church in the New Year again sponsored and will be free. These will be for anyone who fancies creating their own masterpieces.

## Willoughby Society

November is a busier month with Sunjay's concert, on the 19th and our A.G.M. on the 30th.

Saturday 19th November 7:30pm Willoughby Village Hall - Sunjay in Concert. Tickets £15.00 each from Richard Jackson (Hazeldene, Main Street, 891898). Please note due to volatile costs we will not have any catering at this event. However, you are welcome to bring your own snacks/nibbles and drinks.







The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 30th November at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. After the formal business is completed there will be Cheese and Wine with a Quiz for those who like to tax their brain!! After many years on the Committee Joyce and Richard are not standing for re-election. Therefore, we need some new people to stand for election. Do get in touch with Leonie if you would like to find out more about what is involved in joining the Committee (not a lot beyond sharing experience and ideas!)

## **Police & Neighbourhood Watch**

#### **Crime Prevention Care**

there are lots of scams related to energy costs in circulation. Sadly, it is likely that there will be lots of attempts to take advantage of people who may be struggling financially, Citizens Advice & Trading Standards can help.

#### Police Community Support Officers -

PCSO David Banks & our Police Constable is PC Aimee Jarrett. 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:**

New Coordinator Needed.

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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 15th of the month. Send them to Hannah Gowney-Hedges, tel 726289, College Farm, Main Street.

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