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Welcome

Welcome to the February edition of Thrusington Life!

It has certainly been a wild, wet and windy couple of months and I think we are all looking forward to some 'quieter', brighter weather.

In this edition there is an update on the current situation with the proposed housing developments on page 5 and notes from our Charnwood Councillors on pages

10 and 11, discussing the recent flooding.

To cheer us all up - we do, of course, have the Fun Run to look forward to on 2nd March - see page 7 for more details.

Best wishes
Fiona

Notices

Advent windows

Many thanks to all those who made an Advent window to light up the village over the Christmas period. It was great to see new people join the dates and to see so many varied windows from traditional to unusual but just to see that Christmas means something different to everybody.

We hope that you will get your thinking caps on ready for next year and thank you all for your imagination for your windows.

Bev Kearns and Jo Meacock

Christmas Tree

Thanks also go to all those who organised the fabulous Christmas Tree on the Village Green, and the lighting up event, which despite the weather was well attended and enjoyed by all.



Thrussington Local History Society

Thursday 29th February 7.45pm

The Life and Times of John Betjeman by Mark Temple

Interested in becoming a member?

For details contact Mike Harrison (424527).



Update on Proposed Housing Developments



It seems such a long time since we first featured an article about the Charnwood Local Plan in Thrussington Life. Indeed, the village first began its process of objecting when the Parish Council Working Group was formed in July 2021.

There have been a few twists and turns since then and much frustration. Below is a brief

summary of the situation as at our print deadline of mid-January. The village website <https://thrussingtonvillage.org/> is updated whenever there is any significant news. If you have any comments or queries, please email ninetyhouses@gmail.com.

Charnwood Local Plan Further examination hearings start in Loughborough on February 20th prior to publication of the long-awaited inspectors' report. Working group members will be attending, largely with a watching brief, though discussion of the limited spaces available at the village primary school may be raised.

Old Gate Road It's possible that this planning application and the one below will not be determined until after the local plan is complete. Bellway continue to make minor changes to their plans including, most recently, a review of the numbers and types of affordable homes. Recent floods and sewage spills have prompted further objections to this application, based again on the additional strain that this proposed development would put on village infrastructure.

Hoby Road This application has also neither been granted nor refused and the developers submitted an appeal to Charnwood in October 2023, citing delays in dealing with it. Charnwood's planning team confirmed on January 12th that the appeal process is not currently under way as they are awaiting instructions to start from the planning inspectorate.

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Village Hall News

As bookings start to build up please remember to book as early as possible to get your preferred date. Two upcoming dates for your diary: firstly the Retired Persons afternoon tea which will be on Sunday 7th April and, secondly, Skittles on Sunday 9th June at the village green. These are the two main events that the hall hold, one as an event for the older people in the village and one event as a fundraiser.

We have now changed one of the locks at the hall and we also have changed the keysafe number and we now ask people to use the keysafe instead of supplying keys.

The number can be obtained from any committee member but please keep confidential. We also have to report that there are 2 6ft tables missing from the hall so if someone has borrowed these please replace as soon as possible.

We are trying to clear the back room with several items being

returned to school, so that we can utilise the room better for storage for groups using the hall and then start to try to solve the problem of the mice when we can put down traps safely.

We are also having problems with cars being left in the car park all day and becoming a problem for groups trying to park to use the hall. Please do not park in the hall car park unless a member of the committee has been notified.

Our cinema dates continue with the following dates:

10th February The Great Escaper
16th March The Miracle Club

As normal please contact me for all bookings or queries

Bev Kearns

thrussingtonVH@gmail.com,
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Village Hall diary

Event	Day & time	February
Art Group	Monday 1.30pm	5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
Beavers and Cubs	Wednesday 6pm	7th, 14th, 28th
Cinema night	Saturday 7.30pm	10th
Local History Society	Thursday 7.45pm	29th
Over 50's Coffee morning	Wednesday 10.30am	7th, 21st
Yoga	Friday 9.30am	2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd
Yoga	Monday 7pm	5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

Contacts for village hall activities and meetings

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From your Councillors

All will be acutely aware of the devastating floods in the area at the beginning of January, which have been extremely distressing. Homes and businesses were severely impacted and we saw major flooding in areas not previously affected or considered to be at high risk.

It's now imperative that we understand why January's floods were so bad, and how our communities can best be protected in the future. The review into the floods will be multi-agency, and we'll be working hard to make sure that residents voices and concerns are heard during such reviews. We are also asking that the flood risk assessments for all the large housing developments in the area, are reviewed in light of the flooding.

If your home or business was flooded, please make sure this is reported using the link, below, as it can make a difference to grant funding and future flood defence planning.
www.leicestershire.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/flooding-and-drainage/report-a-flood.

If you can't use the link, please get in touch and we'll try to help.

The government announced that Charnwood would be one of the areas to receive grant money for those who have been flooded. Information on how to access this will be on the Charnwood Borough Council website and via their email alerts.
www.charnwood.gov.uk/alerts.

If you aren't online, again, please get in touch.

Please also be aware that sadly, rogue traders can often take advantage during difficult times and people are being warned to be cautious about cold callers offering to do repair work. Residents are advised not to feel pressured to agree to work or payments on the doorstep and to do background checks before agreeing to work. If you feel intimidated or threatened, you should contact the police.

Despite such a devastating start to the new year, crisis often brings out the best in communities and that was certainly the case across this area and the wider Borough. And in the challenging times we're all facing recently, we'd like to let residents know of some great local community initiatives in the area.

System has a Mental Health Café, where people can access support. The service is provided by the NHS and is held every week on Thursdays 12-3pm at the Community Centre, School Street, Syston. It's free and you can just drop in.

We are working with the NHS to better understand mental health needs and services in the Wreake Villages and how to make them accessible for everyone.

This month also saw the launch of Charnwood Time Bank, part of the wider Time4Leicestershire scheme. The aim is to create positive ways to share skills and knowledge, meet new people and make connections in your community.

You share your time or skill with someone and receive credits which you can then exchange for help or skills in return. We think this is a

great initiative and hope it becomes a success across the community. You can find out more or offer to share a skill by visiting www.charnwoodtimebank.org.uk

As ever, if you have any questions or need assistance, please do get in touch, contact details below.

Best wishes for the coming year,

Sandra, Chris and Laurie



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As darker nights are drawing in, we would like to remind the community to keep good crime prevention habits.

WHAT TO BE AWARE OF?

There has been a general increase around the Charnwood area of thefts from motor vehicles and thefts of motor vehicles. Make sure your vehicle is locked and secure! DO NOT leave any valuables in your vehicle such as, handbags, wallets/purses, tools and make sure nothing is left on show!

WHAT TO KEEP AN EYE ON?

There has been an increase in burglaries throughout Charnwood! We would like to remind you to keep your homes and businesses secure. Ensure all windows and doors are locked, make your home look occupied,

Here is a checklist for when you are leaving your home unattended:

- Close and lock all windows and doors (even if you're only going out for a few minutes).
- Double-lock any doors.
- Make sure that any valuables are out of sight and away from letter boxes e.g. car keys, wallets/purses, handbags.
- Set your burglar alarm.
- Lock your shed, garage, and side/back gate.
- In the evening, shut curtains and leave a light on.
- If you are out all day/night, then it's advisable to use a light timer device to automatically turn on lights and radios when your home is unoccupied.

THE BEAT TEAM!

Everyday your local beat team conduct marked Police car patrols through the village of Thruslington along with neighbouring villages.



EVENTS and BEAT SURGERIES:

All events and Beat Surgeries will be posted on Facebook and on Neighbourhood Link.



For more information around your community, please view our force website and social medias:



Warm regards, from your local beat team!

You can report the following crimes online:

- 🚒 A crime: www.police.uk/pu/contactthe-police/report-a-crime-incident
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School news

We had a wonderful end of the Autumn term with the KS1 Nativity held in our new hall, Christmas lunch, Carol Concert in the Church and a whole school visit to the pantomime in Loughborough.

We also had a visit from Ofsted and you can now read our report on our website. It was a very positive experience, with fair inspectors and we feel that the report is an

accurate reflection of our wonderful school. We are very proud of it.

This term ahead is a short one but packed with lots of trips, visits and even a residential for Class 2 to Beaumanor. We also have 38 children singing in a Young Voices concert with many other schools, at a big venue Birmingham, which should be an incredible experience for us all.





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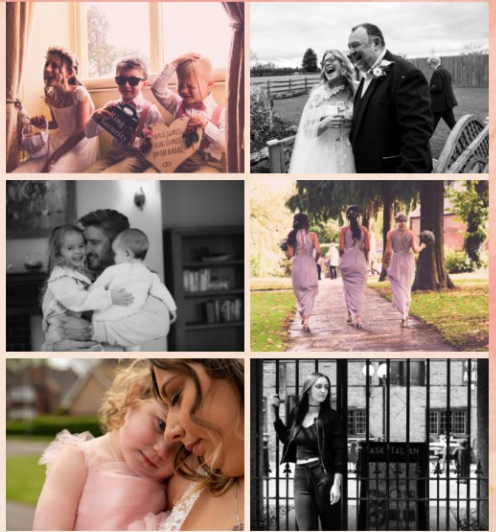
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Well, in Rearsby we have managed to secure a regular Thursday evening at the Rearsby village hall. So this means we can grow the group, and with a little bit of shuffling around we can reopen the closed Scout section (10.5 to 14 yrs.)

We will be meeting on a Wednesday evening at the Thrussington village hall and moving one of our current section to Rearsby.

So if you have a young person that would like to join Scouts, we are taking names now, so get registered before we end up full and you go on a waiting list like our other surrounding groups.

If you are over 18 and would like to join the new Scout volunteer team, please also get in touch and make a difference.

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