

September - October 2024

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## Autumn Welcome

We hope you all enjoyed the summer as we look forward to what has sadly begun as quite a damp autumn, fingers crossed it improves!

Hallowe'en is nearly upon us, so we look forward to seeing the village resplendent with pumpkins and ghoulish decorations. Thereafter, the unmistakable smell of bonfires and fireworks for Guy Fawkes night, a reputed one-time visitor to our village!



There are a lot of thanks to give out in this edition, but the PC would like to extend a general thanks as there are many people who do their bit

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to make our village a better place. It is wonderful to live somewhere where the parishioners show such care for their village.

As ever, if anyone has anything they would like the PC to consider doing or would like some help with an idea, please let one of the councillors know.

## Cemetery Glow Up

Firstly, a big thanks to Councillor George and Sally for tidying up some of the neglected graves at the cemetery recently, it all is looking super smart now.

Matt has been doing a great job in keeping the cemetery looking mowed and neat, and the PC has been actively trying to evict the moles which seems to be meeting with success.

The Parish Council is exploring the possibility of a few ideas we have had for the cemetery to make it more usable and appealing given it is such a large space, and the only Parish land we have. Of course, if anyone else has any ideas on improvements or what to do with the space please let us know.

Plots are available at the cemetery for anyone who wishes to secure their eternal resting place, please contact the clerk for further information.

## Church Quiz

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October, starting at 6:30pm in the West Ashby Arms, teams of 5, £3 per person, proceeds to the Church; it's the turn of Harry Elliot this month.

November's quiz will be on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November, same place, time and info but hosted by The Hunters. December's Christmas quiz on 8<sup>th</sup> will be hosted by John Elliot.

## Village Hall

Again, thanks to more lovely villagers Nathan and Rachel for attending to the electrics at the Village Hall.

There is lots going on at the hall, yoga, pilates, keep-fit, wood-turning, quilt-making so if anyone would like to join in or gather further info or enquire about booking please contact Penny on 07766 951 499 or 523 289.

## Village Barrel Planters

These are due to be planted up for winter by our green-fingered Councillor Sara. If you live near one, please do ensure they are topped up with water and feel free to attend to any weeding which may be required.

The PC are also looking to plant more bulbs around our village gates and are considering plans to beautify the lay-by at the top of the village.

## Verges

More thanks to Councillor Carl who strimmed and mowed the verge outside the new house being built on Main St, it's all looking a lot more presentable now, hopefully it'll sell soon enough!

Speaking of roadsides, there are still way too many instances of people parking on pavements, please don't, they are for pedestrians not for parking, please park on the road.

## Christmas Tree

The Christmas tree will be erected in the churchyard for the start of December.

The tree will be lit on **Sunday 1st December at 4pm** where the Village Church Council will put on some festive refreshments, possibly some instrumentals and

some singing of course .... fingers crossed it'll be a dry night.



## Other happenings

### Logs

There is a village syndicate for log buying – if interested then please ask Rob (Chapel View 07 384 555 207).

### Recycling

The Church can recycle printer cartridges, crisp packets, blister packs, stamps, milk bottle lids – please help if you can – all in the porch.

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