

# WIGTOFT



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## VILLAGE NEWS & VIEWS

*OCTOBER / NOVEMBER 2017*



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Here we are in October, Summer has passed us by and autumn is with us. It is the season to batten down the hatches as the darker evening's fast approach.

During the summer months the church has served bacon butties on Saturday mornings which has proved very successful both socially and financially. So, well done to the ladies who have worked so hard to serve us, you are much appreciated.

We now look forward to Macmillan starting "Bacon Butty Time" in the Village Hall. Then we celebrate Harvest in St Peter and St Paul's church, followed by a Film Night in the Village Hall then, last but not least, our annual Christmas Tree Festival. Please don't forget to decorate a tree or light a lamp in your garden/window, we need to light up Wigtoft, celebrating Christmas as a community. All dates and information can be found within this magazine for all events. We have much to look forward to and all are welcome to attend.

We are all challenged by the NHS to briskly walk for ten minutes a day, not much to keep ourselves healthy! Sutterton Doctors are kindly coming to Wigtoft Village Hall to administer flu vaccinations to those who may require them (*see page 10*). So we should all be healthy this winter!

The Council has asked that items placed in the recycling bin are not inside plastic bags, this is unacceptable and not recyclable or conservation friendly. (*see page 13*). So please, let's try to conform to their request.

We hope you enjoy our magazine and may the following months be good for us all. See you around the village.

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# St. Peter & St. Paul

## WIGTOFT PARISH CHURCH NEWS

### Church Coffee Mornings 2017

This year has been our best yet and your support means that the church has been able to raise £1701 during these mornings. This will of course be put towards our funds for the refurbishment of the Church and the Roof repairs. The Friends of Wigtoft and their helpers give a lot of time and skill preparing many cakes and other foods for these mornings. We are really grateful for their help and commitment and the happy, friendly and social atmosphere that is always felt here in the Church.

A HUGE "Thank You" to all involved and those of you that come to visit. If you have not yet visited then feel free to join us when we start again next year, the date will be given in next year's village magazine.

**From all PCC members THANK YOU.**

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### Wigtoft and District Garden Club

This past weekend the Garden Club has held its annual Flower Festival in St. Peter & St. Paul Church Wigtoft. The proceeds from this year will be donated to the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance also known as the Ambucoputer. The stalls were many, refreshments varied and well appreciated, and the Cream Teas delicious. However your floral displays this year were the very best ever, spectacular. Flower arrangers are to be congratulated on the choice of colour combinations and distribution throughout the church. They were described to me by more than one visitor as very professional. So well done and again the PCC are so grateful for creating such a wonderful look and feeling in the church. You all worked so hard and we are delighted that you raised £1116 for your chosen charity. We look forward to working with you again next year. Anyone who did not come missed a real treat this year.

**From all PCC members and other Friends.**

#### Church Lottery Winners August 2017

1<sup>st</sup> ..... Mrs A Scrupps      (£20)  
2<sup>nd</sup> ..... Mr T Jackson      (£10)  
3<sup>rd</sup> ..... Mrs J Sargeant      (£5)

*Drawn at the Coffee Morning 26<sup>th</sup> August*

#### Church Lottery Winners September 2017

1<sup>st</sup> ..... Mrs V Johnson      (£20)  
2<sup>nd</sup> ..... Mr A Holland      (£10)  
3<sup>rd</sup> ..... Mr M Lowe      (£5)

*Drawn at the Coffee Morning 16<sup>th</sup> September*

# The Haven Group Church Services For October

Date	Wigtoft	Swineshead	Sutterton	Donington	Bicker
1 <sup>st</sup>			10.30am Group Service		
8 <sup>th</sup>	3pm Harvest Festival	10.45am Holy Communion	3.30pm Jelly Church	9.30am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion
15 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion
22 <sup>nd</sup>		10.45am Holy Communion 6pm Harvest Songs Of Praise	9.15am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	4pm Evensong
29 <sup>th</sup>		10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion

# The Haven Group Church Services For November

2 <sup>nd</sup>		7pm All Souls Service			
5 <sup>th</sup>		10.30am Group Service			
11 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am Remembrance Service				
12 <sup>th</sup>		3pm Remembrance Service	9.15am Remembrance Service 3.30pm Jelly Church	10.30am Remembrance Service	10.45am Remembrance Service
19 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	10am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion
26 <sup>th</sup>		10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	4pm Evensong

# Wigtoft Village Hall Dates & Information

## October 2017

## November 2017

Sun	1			Wed	1	6pm	Dog Training
Mon	2			Thu	2	6pm	Dog Training
Tue	3			Fri	3		
Wed	4	6pm	Dog Training	Sat	4	10am	Bacon Butty Morning
Thu	5	6pm	Dog Training	Sun	5		
Fri	6	6.30pm	Bird Auction	Mon	6	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Sat	7	10am	Bacon Butty Morning	Tue	7	10am	Scraps R Us
Sun	8			Wed	8	6pm	Dog Training
Mon	9	10am	Scraps R Us	Thu	9	6pm	Dog Training
Tue	10			Fri	10	6pm	Christmas Fair
Wed	11	6pm	Dog Training	Sat	11	10am	Bacon Butty Morning
Thu	12	6pm	Dog Training	Sun	12		
Fri	13			Mon	13		
Sat	14	10am	Bacon Butty Morning	Tue	14		
Sun	15			Wed	15	6pm	Dog Training
Mon	16			Thu	16	6pm	Dog Training
Tue	17	7pm	Gardening Club	Fri	17	6.30pm	Bird Auction
Wed	18	6pm	Dog Training	Sat	18	10am	Bacon Butty Morning
Thu	19	6pm	Dog Training	Sun	19		
Fri	20	6.30pm	Bird Auction	Mon	20		
Sat	21	10am	Bacon Butty Morning	Tue	21	10am 7pm	Scraps R Us Gardening Club
Sun	22			Wed	22	6pm	Dog Training
Mon	23			Thu	23	6pm	Dog Training
Tue	24	10am	Scraps R Us	Fri	24		
Wed	25	6pm	Dog Training	Sat	25	10am	Bacon Butty Morning
Thu	26	6pm	Dog Training	Sun	26		
Fri	27			Mon	27	3pm	Newsletter Meeting
Sat	28	10am 6.30pm	Bacon Butty Morning Film Night	Tue	28		
Sun	29			Wed	29	6pm	Dog Training
Mon	30			Thu	30	6pm	Dog Training
Tue	31	9.30am	Flu Clinic				

## Village Hall News

Well Autumn is here again which means the start of Saturday bacon butty mornings. They will be held every Saturday at the hall between 10 and 12 noon. Why not pop along for a chat with old friends or it's a great way of meeting new ones. Not to mention all the delicious homemade cakes on offer. We've had a new fire door fitted with money raised from last year's butty morning. We've also bought all new crockery for when the butty mornings start. Once we decide what the money raised this year will go towards we will let you know.

The Village Hall is going to hold a Christmas Fair on Friday November 10th from 6 - 9pm at the hall. There will be plenty of stalls with lots of lovely craft and prezzie ideas to get your Christmas shopping started. There will be refreshments available along with the usual stalls of raffle, books and a Christmas tombola. Why not come along and support the hall. Anyone who would like to book a stall please call Wendy on 461005, stalls will be £5.

### Booking Wigtoft Village Hall

To book the Village Hall, please contact Wendy on 01205 461005  
or e-mail [villagehall@wigtoft.com](mailto:villagehall@wigtoft.com)

*The hire charge is £8 per hour, which includes heating,  
lighting and the use of the kitchen and all crockery.*



## Wigtoft Village Hall Bacon Butty Mornings

Our winter Bacon Butty Mornings will start  
again on October 7<sup>th</sup> 10am until noon

We will have our delicious Bacon Butties and  
Cakes each Saturday until next spring

If you are able to help out at any time please get in  
touch, the more help we have the easier it is to organise.

*All funds raised go towards the maintenance and  
development of this village facility.*

# News Of The Mousehound

A weekend away. The household pet is Mollie - a Staffie cross or more likely a very cross Staffie. I had to stay with the humans. Woodland walks were difficult after the flat fens, but I enjoyed sun bathing, and the Land Rover Defender™ was quite roomy so I appreciated the transport. Owner sneaked away to row on the Solent. She had the affrontery to give me a full report on her return.



Back home again - praise be! A leisurely walk on familiar ground. Met a lady with a sausage dog and a powder-puff dog. What an unusual pair.

Road workers are disturbing our daily routine. I continually barked at the tiresome men who could be seen from my window. Owner cross as usual.

Owner has injured her big toe on the right foot, so no walks in the heat of the day. Kind relatives, neighbours and friends are taking me for walkies. Owner is a fitness fanatic so I am allowed a more leisurely pace with others. All is not well so I must be kind to the would-be boss and good for the helpers. I am not able to be off the lead so much. Am watching how far and fast owner can walk. She is quite old so must be considered.

Visited decrepit Scrabbler today. I ask for edible treats and lots of cuddles before the old ones are allowed to commence play.

A friend clipped my long back dew claw today. Not a pleasant experience!

Yet another dog show, in Peterborough this time. I am too old for the bench but accompanied a hairy Belgian monster. I had to watch dogs of all sights and sizes from my cage. At last we walked round the trade stalls and I was treated to a new comfortable harness. A stall holder offered me appetising dried food but soon tired of replenishing the sample I was given. Mum had to buy a bag. Exhausted before we reached home.

Went to the rowing club and enjoyed a walk by the river. I hate water so kept to the path.

Mum not limping so much so I can return to fun and games such as stealing a freshly dug potato as a mid-meal snack.

More next mag.....

*Love from Bertie*



St Peter & St Paul Church



Wigtoft



# Harvest Celebration

Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup>



Harvest Songs Of  
Praise Service 3pm



Buffet meal followed by  
Auction of produce from 4pm

Tickets - £5 5-12 years - £2.50

Children under 5 years - Free

*Available from Virna and Jane*

*All proceed towards Church Repair Funds*



The pea is a leguminous plant, mostly annual with climbing stems. The stems have strong tendrils for support as they grow. The flowers are white or coloured and are followed by seeds enclosed in pods. Some varieties are cultivated for the seeds, which are edible, and others for their colourful and sweet scented bloom. Seeds of this plant are usually cooked while still green and tender. Dried peas, with the outer skins removed, are delicious in soups and stews. I remember when drying peas was the only way to preserve them. The phrase 'as like as two peas in a pod' means all peas are alike.



Field peas preceded the garden pea. Pickers were paid by the sack and I enjoyed checking the weight of the bags and paying the workers. It was a pleasant job if the weather was fine. Buyers liked to check the crops and would leave a trail of empty pods, for the peas are best when freshly picked. Growers could never resist the childlike pleasure of sampling the pods from the parent plants. Now peas are frozen within hours of being harvested and the frozen packs are as good as fresh peas.

The Romans cooked peas, when they were hard and dry, in soups and with meat and vegetables. The British made savoury porridge known as pease pudding.

Peas are good for the land and add nitrogen to the soil. The Americans call them 'English peas'. Our diet would be poor without them; fish, chips and peas are enjoyed by all and shepherd's pie would be colourless without them. Raw peas must always be used in salads.

Sometimes peas are grown under plastic to protect them from frost. Wood pigeons enjoy juicy peas so bird scares are really necessary.

How are we meant to eat our peas? Etiquette demands that we should spear or squash them onto our forks but we have all suffered when guiding them to our mouths. Inevitably one or two jump from our plate and cause acute embarrassment.

We must not forget the delicate perfume and beautiful colours of the sweet peas which are grown in our gardens. I have everlasting sweet peas which are hardy perennials. These only come in shades of pink, lilac and magenta. They lack the perfume of the annual sweet pea but the blooms last a very long time and the seeds are often self sown.

## Jean's Open Garden

Thank you to everyone who made cakes, helped in the kitchen and on the stalls and to those who kindly donated raffle prizes.

We were so lucky with the weather and everyone seemed to enjoy the day!

We raised £415 for Wigtoft Church and £80 for Macmillan Cancer Support from the sale of plants.

I am so fortunate with the help and support from all my friends. Without your help the event would not take place, so thank you all very much.

Jean Knight

## Sutterton Surgery



# Sutterton Surgery 2017 Flu Programme

**We are bringing the flu clinic to you this year**

<b>WHO?</b>	<b>Nurse Su Kaye</b>
<b>WHERE?</b>	<b>Wigtoft Village Hall</b>
<b>WHEN?</b>	<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017</b>
<b>TIME?</b>	<b>09:30 - 12:00</b>

**Walk in clinic - no appointment necessary**

If you are unable to attend the clinic at Wigtoft, we are carrying out clinics at Sutterton Village Hall on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 9:30 - 17:30, or at Fosdyke Village Hall on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 14:00 until 17:00

**Children's flu clinic Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October  
15:00 - 18:00 at the surgery (walk in)**

## Topical Talk

I have been having “fun” again insuring my car. I had a renewal quote from my current insurer and was informed that it was their best competitive quote – it had increased by £106 over the previous year. I rang another company and got a quote with the same conditions; they had sent me information through the post saying that they would give me a 10% discount as I had our house and contents insured with them. I went through all the usual rigmarole with them, interspersed with music and information that told me what a good company they were and how they looked after their customers, especially the over 50's: finally they came up with a figure that was just £2 more than the existing insurer. I made my excuses, saying that I would get back to them (this figure was with a 10% discount as well). Don't you just get fed up with all this hassle every year!! I then rang my my existing insurer and finally got hold of a real person: I explained the situation and was told that there were two reasons that it had increased on last year – one was that the government had increased insurance tax (blame the politicians) and secondly that I was now over 80 years old and, presumably, a bad risk. I said that even taking all this into account, a rise of 33% was a bit excessive, and he even agreed! “Wait a minute” he said, “and I will see what I can do”. When he came back to me he said that he was able to reduce the premium as I had “an unblemished record”. The reduction? - £51. Not as much as I had hoped but worth the effort anyway.

Big Ben has been silenced now for four years, apparently to protect the workers working on the renovation of the tower from the noise – how about issuing them with ear muffs?

I see that the confectionery company Nestle are bringing out a new version of their famous Walnut Whip – the difference? No walnut! I wonder if they will call it Walnutless Whip?

We had a trip out to a garden centre recently; it was to Gates Garden Centre near Oakham. I believe that the Garden Club have visited here in the past. It's several years since we were there and it has been much enlarged since our last visit – in fact, it is huge, more like a shopping experience than a humble garden centre, with a huge new extended car park; quite an eye opener.

We read a lot these days about “global warming” and the effect it has on our lives. One of these effects is that glaciers are melting at a faster rate than ever before. A glacier in Italy has melted sufficiently to reveal a grisly secret. Hikers there recently found two bodies, one with no legs, along with a German ID card issued in 1995. The ice crushed these victims back in the 1990's and they were uncovered earlier this summer as the glacier retreated. Once exposed to the sun they dry out before they can be found.

These bodies are the latest of several discoveries in recent years. About a month ago the well preserved bodies of a Swiss couple, who went missing in 1942 while going to milk their cows, were found near a Swiss ski resort. Corpses of soldiers who fought in Alpine battles between Italy and the Austro-Hungarian Empire in the first world war emerge regularly and a collection of jewels were found on Mont Blanc in 2013, apparently from an aircraft that crashed in 1966 – so far though, no UFO's or little green men have been found.

According to the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, the best way to cure hiccups is to eat a spoonful of creamy peanut butter very slowly. This is a bit more civilised than the cure I was taught years ago. That was to creep up quietly behind the person with hiccups and suddenly make them “jump” - that worked!

*Colin Scrupps*

## **Royal British Legion Kirton and District Branch**



On Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> November the branch will be holding their Annual Service of Remembrance at Kirton War Memorial at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month.

We would be pleased to welcome all members of the community to join us in this special service of remembrance.

The main village Remembrance Parade will take place on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November, parading outside the town hall at 1030 hrs then marching to the war memorial for the start of the service and the laying of the wreaths.

It is also that time of the year that we need to start organising for the November Remembrance time with the ordering of the poppies, wreaths and all the other items that are produce by the Poppy Factory for us to offer to the community to buy or donate to help support past and present members of the armed forces community and their families.

If you have any special request for poppy items please contact me Roland Reece, the poppy appeal organiser on 01205 722501 and I will do my best to meet your requirements.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at either the Saturday Service or Sunday Remembrance Parade and hopefully the weather will stay dry, as the last couple of years have been.

**Thank you, The Branch Committee.**

## Recycling Waste Update From Boston Borough Council

This is a generic message to all residents in the Borough regarding your blue recycling bin.



We are no longer emptying blue recyclable bins that contain plastic bags. All recyclable waste **MUST** be loose in your blue bin. Blue recycling bags can be used for excess waste only and will be collected if they are left at the side of your bin on your collection day but must not be placed into your blue bin. Blue recycling bags are free of charge and remain available to collect from the Municipal Buildings on West Street, Boston.

Bin liners cannot be recycled and can hide items which at best cannot be recycled and at worst may pose a hazard to our collectors and sorters. Any blue bins that contain plastic bags from now will be classed as contaminated and your bin will be rejected.

If you have any questions or queries, please feel free to contact us at [waste@boston.gov.uk](mailto:waste@boston.gov.uk) or telephone main reception on 01205 314200.

Thank you for your co operation.

**Environmental Operations Boston Borough Council**

### **Wigtoft Village Christmas Fayre** **Wigtoft Village Hall**

**Friday November 10<sup>th</sup> 6pm—9pm**

*Christmas gift stalls for you to peruse at leisure*

*Tombola and Raffle*

*Light refreshments will be served*

**Stalls are available at £5**

**Please contact Sally 01205 460117**

**Or Wendy 01205 461005**

**Please come along and bring your friends to  
this annual festive event and join in the fun!**

St Peter & St Paul Church  
Wigtoft

Christmas Tree  
Festival 



Carol Service  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup>  
December 6pm  
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refreshments*

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2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>

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<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
			<b>10am - Noon</b> Coffee Morning <i>Sutterton Methodist</i> <b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6.30pm</b> Bird Auction <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>10am - Noon</b> Bacon Butty Morning <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>
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					<b>Green Bin Collection</b>	
<b>3pm</b> Harvest Celebration <i>Wigtoft Parish Church</i>	<b>10am</b> Scraps R Us <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i> <b>2pm</b> Friends of the Church <i>Wigtoft Parish Church</i>	<b>10am</b> Church Cleaning <i>Wigtoft Parish Church</i> <b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>		<b>10am - Noon</b> Bacon Butty Morning <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>
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					<b>Blue / Brown Bin</b>	
<b>9.15am</b> Holy Communion <i>Wigtoft Parish Church</i>	<b>10am</b> Craft Morning <i>Wigtoft Parish Church</i> <b>7pm</b> Gardening Club <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>10am - Noon</b> Coffee Morning <i>Sutterton Methodist</i> <b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6.30pm</b> Bird Auction <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>10am - Noon</b> Bacon Butty Morning <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>
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		<b>10am</b> Scraps R Us <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	<b>6pm</b> Dog Training <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>		<b>10am - Noon</b> Bacon Butty Morning <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i> <b>6.30</b> Film Night <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				
<b>Clocks go back</b>		<b>Halloween</b> <b>9.30am - Noon</b> Flu Clinic <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>				

# Age Calendar

November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 10am - Noon Coffee Morning Sutterton Methodist 6pm Dog Training Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>2</b> Garden Club trip to Stephen Smith's Garden Centre, Otley 6pm Dog Training Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>3</b> Blue / Brown Bin	<b>4</b> 10am - Noon Bacon Butty Morning Wigtoft Village Hall
<b>5</b> Guy Fawkes	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Green Bin Collection	<b>11</b> 10am - Noon Bacon Butty Morning Wigtoft Village Hall 10.45am Remembrance Service
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 7.30 pm Parish Council Meeting Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>14</b> 10am Scraps R Us Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>15</b> 10am Church Cleaning Wigtoft Parish Church 6pm Dog Training Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>16</b> 6pm Dog Training Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>17</b> Blue / Brown Bin 6pm - 9pm Christmas Fair Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>18</b> 10am - Noon Bacon Butty Morning Wigtoft Village Hall
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 10am - Noon Coffee Morning Sutterton Methodist 6pm Dog Training Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>23</b> 6pm Dog Training Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>24</b> Green Bin Collection 6.30pm Bird Auction Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>25</b> 10am - Noon Bacon Butty Morning Wigtoft Village Hall
<b>19</b> 9.15am Holy Communion Wigtoft Parish Church	<b>27</b> 3pm Newsletter Meeting Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>28</b> 10am Scraps R Us Wigtoft Village Hall 7pm Gardening Club Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>29</b> 6pm Dog Training Wigtoft Village Hall	<b>30</b> 6pm Dog Training Wigtoft Village Hall		

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Elizabeth Allan was born in Skegness – she was the youngest of six children, three boys and three girls, of Dr Alexander William Allan and his wife Amelia. They lived in Sandbeck House in the town and appear to have been quite prosperous, employing a groom, cook, housemaid and a nurse for Elizabeth.



She attended Skegness Day School and then Polam Hall school in Darlington where she excelled in elocution and enjoyed acting. As a senior at this school she was just one of ten girls in the entire country to be awarded a scholarship to the Old Vic Theatre training school for actresses. It is reported that her parents were not too keen for their youngest daughter to go on the stage.

She taught in a school in Skegness to earn some money and fill the gap before the winter season started at the Old Vic. She excelled as an actress while she was there and at the tender age of seventeen began a two year tour of the country with a Shakespearean repertory company.

This was the start of her career and she appeared in such productions as “The Taming of the Shrew” (1927) and “The School for Scandal” (1928): she also appeared in the film “Insult” (1932) with John Gielgud. Whilst involved in the theatre and film world she had met Wilfred J. O’Byrne, and they were married in 1932.

Also in 1932 she appeared in the film “Reserved for Ladies”: after its London opening the film had its premiere in New York; she was “spotted” by MGM Studios who offered her a deal. She went to America (and Hollywood): she had appeared in fifteen British films prior to going on to Hollywood.

In her Hollywood career she appeared in several films, one in particular was with Clark Gable. According to the gossip of the time, Gable developed quite a “crush” on Elizabeth (and vice versa), although Gable was married at the time, as was Elizabeth. However, in late 1935 she is quoted as saying “Clark Gable means absolutely nothing to me”, so it appears that it was all over.

Over time she is thought to have had affairs with various men, developing a reputation that made her notorious among her contemporaries. Meanwhile, her husband Bill O’Byrne spent a lot of time travelling between London, where he was working, and Hollywood, doing his best to save the marriage. In



this he succeeded, for they remained married up until his death in 1977.

In the late 1930's she hit a stumbling block; she was in dispute with MGM over the fact that she had been awarded the role in a film, but had then been replaced by another actress. The matter went to court and , in the end MGM won; that spelt the end of her Hollywood career – she was never able to work there again.

She returned to England in 1939 and resumed her career on stage by playing Wendy in a production of Peter Pan. The war had started and her husband was a Captain in the armed forces and their relationship seemed to have moved closer. She moved to London and helped in a canteen, cooking and serving meals to help in the war effort.

She also continued her work on stage, appearing in various productions, as well as radio work.

Her next celebrity role appeared in 1951, when she became a popular member of the panel on “What's My Line”, along with such names as Gilbert Harding and Eamonn Andrews. She also continued her film career, appearing with such stars as James Stewart and Marlene Dietrich.

Her final role on the big screen was in 1958 when she appeared with Boris Karloff in “The Haunted Strangler”.

She made a couple of guest appearances in the 1960's on TV but after this her career seems to have wound down; she and her husband retired to live in Hove, where he died in 1977. Elizabeth continued to live there until her own death in July 1990, aged 80.

*Colin Scrapps*

## **Blisbury Charity Student Grants**

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September has been a little disappointing for weather but seemingly good for the plants. Many of the perennial varieties are flowering again for the second or even third time. Well worth the time spent cutting back flowering stems earlier in the year.

If you are planning to plant evergreen shrubs for hedges, or lay new lawns, or even repair worn and patchy grass September and October are ideal.

You can go to town on cutting hedges now without the risk to nesting birds. Most hedges cut now will stay compact and withstand winter weather.

Mow lawns when you can, as the days become shorter and the mornings are often very dewy it is more difficult, especially if like me you have clay soil that holds the water. It is very easy to cut grooves into the ground which then become mossy.

Let's hope that October is kind to us with dry sunny days, that would be a bonus we would all welcome, gardeners or not.

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As far as it is known the site of the cathedral was a virgin site when construction was first begun by the Normans, although it is possible that a small Saxon church, constructed of timber and thatch may have been on the site.

The high ground which the site occupies was recognised by the Romans as a defensible site when they established their camp here – it was high ground with a large pool at its base (now known as the Brayford Pool).

Before the Romans came there was an Iron Age settlement here, probably a collection of timber and thatch dwellings which lined the side of a river pool (Brayford). When the Romans established their fortress here around 48AD, this being laid out by the Ninth Legion, it was a classic rectangular plan built on the high, level ground above the pool; this offered a natural fortification for them to control the inhabitants of the watery marshes and flat lands below them. Together with hundreds of miles of road building they connected Lincoln with all their other major centres of administration, such as London and York.



After the fall of the Roman Empire (410AD) and their withdrawal from Britain, Lincoln became the capital of the kingdom of Lindsay. The Anglo Saxon population lived within the old Roman city which was mainly contained within the town walls. They constructed their timber and thatch houses and used materials from the Roman ruins to construct their small churches within the community.

And so the town continued after the Romans, with raids and incursions by the Vikings and the sacking of many Anglo Saxon churches.

In the period 1035 – 1072 Lincolnshire was considered “outlaw country”. Hereward the Wake held sway in the marshy fens and, upon the Norman invasion (1066) he and his band resisted the invaders. There was a lot of sympathy for Hereward in Lincoln itself as, with the building of the castle the citizens of the town were faced with the demolition of 166 of their houses to make way for the new castle. The new castle was built, probably just a mott and bailey at this stage (a mound surrounded by a wooden palisade). By this time the Bishop of Lincoln was a Norman by the name of Remigius, a friend, possibly a relative, of William the

Conqueror. It was he who was given the task of creating a cathedral in the town.

It was begun in 1072 and was one of the earliest to be built by the Norman regime – the building was completed “over 20 summers”, according to records. It appears that this structure lasted only about 150 years. Remigius did not live long enough to see the final completion of his task: he died in May 1092, just 2 days before the consecration of his new cathedral, in the name of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Remigius was the first Norman Bishop of Lincoln – he had been a Benedictine monk and a loyal supporter of William at the Battle of Hastings in 1066

Lincoln is the only cathedral that is built of the stone that it stands on. It has its own quarry that is still used today to provide stone for maintenance.

In 1137, during the Civil War, there was a battle at Lincoln when the Kings forces attacked the castle – they were resisted by the rebels: the King fled but was captured. With the castle and cathedral being so close together, what affected one would, by proximity, affect the other; and so it was at this time. There are signs of a fierce fire and scorch marks on the internal walls of the west front of the cathedral.

There was severe fire damage to the roof of the church in 1141, restoration work following this was carried out by the 3<sup>rd</sup> bishop, Alexander the Magnificent; this included replacing the wooden ceiling with stone vaults.

According to the records, on April 15<sup>th</sup> in 1185 the cathedral was reported to be “split from top to bottom”. This is blamed on an earthquake which was said to have been heard “throughout nearly the whole of England”. Certainly a lot of damage was caused in Nottinghamshire at the same time. It is now recognised as having been one of the most powerful on record in Britain, with a magnitude of 5 on the Richter Scale. Following the earthquake it took 7 years of planning and preparation to begin to rebuild the cathedral; this left the west block, which had survived, standing alone, looking more like a castle than a church. Fund raising efforts took place and, as well as gifts of money being made, land and property was gifted, rents from which allowed the church to be rebuilt longer than it had been before – the old city wall had to be breached to allow for the new extension.

It was at this time that one of the most influential men connected to the cathedral reigned as Bishop. A monk, Hugh of Avalon (1140-1200). He was elected as Bishop of Lincoln in 1186: it was during his lifetime that the new cathedral took shape. He dedicated work on the new cathedral and work began. Foundation trenches were dug and footings laid: work started, with the local honey coloured limestone used as building material. By the time of his death in 1200 the building was so far advanced that he was buried in it. He was said to have carried a hod and helped with building work. This building work was a summer activity as the lime mortar that was used would only set properly after the winter frosts had finished.

To be continued

***Colin Scrapps***

# **MINUTES OF THE WIGTOFT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (313)**

## **HELD ON MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY 2017 IN WIGTOFT VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT** M Scrupps, V. Atkinson, M. Cooper, M. Tunnard,  
S. Baxter, S. Collingwood & M. Piper (Clerk)

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

P. Craven , A. Spencer, M. Brookes, B Leggott,

### **2. PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public attended .

### **3. MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 5th June 2017**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th June 2017 having been previously circulated are to be signed by Cllr. Collingwood at the next meeting.

### **4. POLICE MATTERS**

No members of the police attended and no crimes were reported .

### **5. HIGHWAYS**

Footpath from Church – Asperton Road very slippery

Clerk to action following;

Contact M Brookes for some clarification on amenity cuts in village.

Contact Lady De Ville conifer hedge very overgrown on footpath

Eastthorpe Court hedge very overgrown onto path.

Contact Highways footpath Asperton road-Church also very overgrown.

Road sign for Sleaford Road.

Hedge on Asperton Road to be cut this week.

### **6. PLAYGROUND**

Councillors to contact Malc Firth RE; safety matting around roundabout.

Dog sign to be erected in playground

Fence to be repaired in playground.

Accompanied safety inspection to be arranged by clerk

### **7. FINANCIAL**

C/A £7674.02 D/A £2261.03

Cheque for Wicksteed inspection £85.20

## 8. PLANNING

There were two planning applications

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling at Greylands Cottage, Wigtoft Bank; there were no objections.

Conversion of outbuildings to provide habitable accommodation at Wigtoft Marsh Farm, Wigtoft Bank: there were no objections.

## 9. CORRESPONDENCE

## 10. A.O.B

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

The next meeting will take place at Wigtoft Village Hall on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm.



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November 21 <sup>st</sup>	Annie Perryman - Fire Safety
December 19 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party

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# **MINUTES OF THE WIGTOFT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (314) HELD ON MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2017 IN WIGTOFT VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT** M Scrupps, S. Baxter, M Cooper, S. Collingwood,  
M. Brookes, B Leggott, M. Piper (Clerk)

## **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

A. Spencer, V. Atkinson, M. Tunnard & P. Craven

## **2. PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public attended .

## **3. MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 3rd July 2017**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July 2017 having been previously circulated are to be signed by Cllr. Collingwood at the next meeting.

## **4. POLICE MATTERS**

No members of the police attended and no crimes were reported.

## **5. HIGHWAYS**

Clerk to set up Liaison with Highways.

Grass cutting on footpaths Cllr. Collingwood to contact Highways.

Clerk to contact Highways Re car abandoned in market square.

Clerk to contact Highways about abandoned wheelie bin in market square.

Clerk to contact Highways about poor visibility at A17 junction

## **6. PLAYGROUND**

Councillors to contact Malc Firth RE; safety matting around roundabout.

Accompanied safety inspection to be arranged by clerk

Man and some dogs seen in playground Clr. Cooper to look into .

## **7. FINANCIAL**

C/A £8022.02 D/A £2261.0

## **8. PLANNING**

There were two planning applications

Amendment to demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling at Greylands Cottage, Wigtoft Bank; there were no objections.

Erection of acoustic barriers at Nowhere Farm Solar Park; there were no objections.

Clerk to contact planning re opting to stay on list for planning



## 9. CORRESPONDENCE

Matt Warman itinerary of surgeries to be held locally.  
Travel Information poster

## 10. A.O.B

There will not be a meeting in September.  
Clerk to contact Mayflower re; overgrown gardens in Church Road.  
The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

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***Following a meeting called at short notice in September there  
will be no meeting in October***

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***The next meeting will take place at Wigtoft Village Hall on  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 7.30pm***

***All are welcome to attend***

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