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Welcome to the February edition of the WM. The weather has been fairly benign so far albeit wet and cold on some days. Thankfully we missed the extremes predicted.

Sadly we have lost Brain Hawkins who died just after the last edition was written. Brian supported village activities especially the Cricket Club and darts team. He will be missed.

The Draft Local Plan continued to attract attention in the early part of January as the second consultation came to a close – oddly at a date set knowing that the updated traffic appraisal wouldn't be available. As I write this the Rugby Advertiser reports that the Chambers of Commerce have weighed in questioning the decision to drop the Walsgrave site in favour of Lodge Farm. Salfv tell us that the Sustainability Report is being re-written too. Let's hope that common sense prevails at the meeting of the full council that will consider the draft Plan.

Village activities are back to normal after the festive break and details of the first two 'Live and Local' shows at the Village Hall are inside. They continue to enable the Willoughby Society to bring a wide variety of professional entertainment to the Village thanks to Live and Local's funding from the Arts Council England and Local Authorities. These two shows give us a taste of the life of seafarers and and a mix of opera with slapstick comedy!! Both should be excellent starts to a weekend.

For those who made resolutions to be fitter don't forget the weekly Pilates and Popmobility sessions at the Village Hall run by Val Taylor and Lorraine Geddes respectively.

Richard Jackson

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
09-Feb-17	02:30 PM	Thursday Club	Visit to Albrighton Pottery	Village Hall
11-Feb-17	02:00 PM	Women's Institute	Jumble Sale	Village Hall
12-Feb-17	11:00 AM	Church	Family Service	Church
16-Feb-17	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch Wheatsheaf	Crick
19-Feb-17	06:00 PM	Church	Evensong	Church
20-Feb-17	07:30 PM	W.C.C.	Annual General Meeting	The Pavilion
22-Feb-17	07:30 PM	Willoughby Society	London to Paris enroute to Zambia with Garry Duggan	Village Hall
24-Feb-17	07:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Singing Up a Storm' Kimber's Men	Village Hall
26-Feb-17	10:30 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church

Thursday Club

9 February: visit to Albrighton Pottery

16 February 12.30pm Pub lunch at the Wheatsheaf, Crick

We are still collecting stamps and foreign and old coins for 'Hearing Dogs', just bring any to one of our meetings.

New members very welcome, ring Jim (the Sec) 891805



Willoughby Women's Institute

Saturday 11th February

Jumble Sale

Willoughby Village Hall

Doors Open 2:00pm - Entry 20p

Cakes & Produce Stall

Items can be left Saturday morning from 9:30am

Thursday February 16th is our annual Birthday Dinner at Barby Sporting. Transport will be by car to be informed later. Please make sure your name is down if you wish to go.

Church

The Carillon rang the bells for Mary Amos's 20th birthday on Jan 1st at 1.00pm at the request of Jackie & Kim Gibbard.

Willoughby Cricket Club

Your Village cricket club pre- season training. Come and join for 2017!

Willoughby Cricket Club have started their pre-season training for the upcoming 2017 season and invite any interested new players to come along and get involved.

The club's junior teams train on Saturday afternoons at Bilton School, Lawford Lane in Rugby

Under 13s + Under 15s – 1.00 to 2.40pm

Under 11s + younger – 2.45-4.00pm

The club's adult senior players + Under 15s train on Wednesday evenings also at Bilton School, from 8.15 to 9.30pm

For further details, telephone Karl on 01788 542441 or email at karl@karlquinney.co.uk

Dates for the Diary

Monday 20th February 7.30pm - Annual General Meeting - The Pavilion, The Green. Pye Court.

Saturday 1st April 10.00am to 1.00pm - WCC does Natwest Cricketforce at The Green.

Willoughby Society

Our February meeting is on the 22nd when villager Gary Duggan will be telling us about his sponsored cycle ride 'London to Paris - Enroute to Zambia' where the money raised was used to build a clinic.

Our Live and Local events for the early part of the year are:

Friday 24th February 7:30pm at Willoughby Village Hall

Singing Up a Storm with Kimber's Men

Tickets: £14.00 including Fish & Chip Supper (bring your own drinks). From, Richard Jackson Hazeldene, Main Street. Tel. 891898 or Willoughby Society Committee Members.

An evening of Sea Songs and Shanties will transport us back to the days of sail. Kimber's Men are, perhaps, the finest exponents of these songs, although we hope they will not succeed in singing up a real storm for their visit!!

This Live and Local show is supported by the Arts Council England, Rugby Borough Council, and Warwickshire County Council.

Friday March 17 7:30pm at Willoughby Village Hall

Mission Improbable with the Opera Dudes

Tickets: £14.00 including interval food (bring your own drinks). From, Richard Jackson Hazeldene, Main Street. Tel. 891898 or Willoughby Society Committee Members.

"No ordinary double act. This duo rip up the rule book with a classy mix of opera, swing, show tunes, and slapstick humour. A gem of entertainment."

This Live and Local show is supported by the Arts Council England, Rugby Borough Council, and Warwickshire County Council.

On the 29th March, our monthly meeting, Sally Cunningham will be telling us to 'Love your Bugs/Butterflies'

Everyone is welcome at our meetings and events so do come along and join us.

SALFV

The Consultation period for the Draft Publication Local Plan ended on the 11th January. The latest proposals have generated more than 10 times as many objections as the previous iteration. No doubt Lodge Farm was the cause. The Government published a list of proposed garden villages, thankfully, Lodge Farm was not included.

SALFV, with its planning consultants, met with Councillor Timms and Mr. Back. The council agreed that 'Garden' is a misnomer and likely to be dropped making the proposal like any other (e.g. no necessity to provide local amenities). They also seem to agree the Sustainability Appraisal may be lacking (2 bus stops, broadband....) and are going back to their consultants to re-write it (however it is not clear whether this will involve the necessary re-appraisal or a coat of whitewash).

Neither the revised Sustainability Appraisal or the WCC Traffic Assessment were available before the close of the Consultation. The latter is expected around the beginning of February. We will not be given any opportunity to comment on either before the draft 'Plan' goes for consideration at meeting of all 42 councillors who may only look at a summary of the objections (prepared by those advocating the plan). Given the implications hopefully they will be more diligent and review the draft plan and supporting documents and apply the common sense that appears to have been lacking so far.

Willoughby Parish Council

Local Plan

Your Parish Council were invited to a meeting at the Council Offices with Rob Back the Head of Planning, Heather Timms the RBC portfolio holder for Growth and Investment and Vicky Chapman the Principal Planning Officer to discuss the Rugby Local Plan.

Mr Rob Back outlined the plan and your Councillors raised many objections to the proposed Lodge Farm development including the un-sustainability and lack of a proper transport assessment. It was clear that the meeting was a tick box exercise so that they could say they had consulted with the Parish Council, but we were not going to change their mind as far as Lodge Farm is concerned. It will now be up to the forty two RBC Councillors when they vote in March to either reject or approve the plan.

There is a further sustainability and transport assessment being carried out and your Parish Council believe it is important that the public and all consultees are able to see these and comment on them before the plan goes to the Council to be voted on.

First Responders

Sue Worthington and Linda Belgrove volunteered some time ago to be First Responders for the Ambulance Service. They have recently undergone training and become qualified and will be sent to situations as required by the Ambulance Service. This has taken up a lot of their time and will continue to do so. Our thanks to them for making the Community safer.

Police & Neighbourhood Watch

Watch out!! the fraudsters who use 'scam' emails are continuing to produce ever more realistic messages and in some cases are even using telephone 'cold' calls to add 'credibility'. Recent scams have involved HMRC, Amazon, PPI Claims, Boiler replacement.

Crime prevention: Smart water, a means of uniquely marking your property can be obtained via Rachel Settle. It is a deterrent to burglars and increases the likelihood of stolen items being returned.

Police Community Support Officer for the village is PCSO 6149 Helena Seal and our Police Constable is PC 621 Paula Haden. 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 : rs.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.

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Copies of the WM can be sent by e-mail or produced with large print on request.

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 for publication in the next edition is the 15th of the month. Send them to Richard Jackson, tel 891898, Hazeldene, Main Street, e-mail: willoughby_monthly@willoughbyweb.net

Date	Organisation	Event	Venue
17-Mar-17 29-Jun-17	Willoughby Society	Mission Impossible' The Opera Dudes Willoughby Festival	Village Hall Playing Field & Hall
19-Aug-17	Willoughby Society	Fordante	Village Hall