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Welcome to the November edition of the WM. Suddenly Autumn has arrived and at times almost given way to winter and Christmas is round the corner!! We have been fortunate so far to miss the worst of the weather, fingers crossed it continues to bypass us.

Those of you who made a representation (objection) about the draft local plan, which would allow Lodge Farm Village to be built, should have received a letter from the 'Programme Officer' about the examination of the plan by the Inspector. This indicates that the Inspector's examination hearings will likely begin in January, just a couple of months away. It is important that the views of local people are presented to maximum effect and to that end SALFV have assembled a team of professionals expert in planning matters and specialist aspects like transport and heritage. However, they don't come cheap and SALFV need to raise £15,000 by the end of November. They have launched a fundraising campaign – Save Rupert Brooke Country which they will promote across the county and beyond. Although the competition for your purse or wallet is great, especially at this time of year, please do contribute if you possibly can. If Lodge Farm Village is not thrown out by the Inspector it will be very very difficult to stop it and the far reaching negative impact it will have on the area and our village.

On a happier note the run up to the festive season starts with the Village Hall Christmas Fayre on the 25th November and is followed by the Willoughby Society's Christmas show – A Christmas Carol – A Folk Opera on the 1st December details of these and the Children's Christmas Party inside.

Richard Jackson

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
04-Nov-17	06:00 PM	Church	Bonfire Party	Moor Lane
09-Nov-17	02:30 PM	Thursday Club	Deserted & Abandoned Villages - Mike Tebbitt	Village Hall
12-Nov-17	11:00 AM	Church	Remembrance Service	Grandborough Church
16-Nov-17	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch	
19-Nov-17	04:00 PM	Church	Evensong	Church
23-Nov-17		Thursday Club	Milton Keynes Shopping	
25-Nov-17		Village Hall	Christmas Fayre	Village Hall
26-Nov-17	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
29-Nov-17	07:30 PM	Willoughby Society	AGM	Village Hall

Thursday Club

Our November meeting is on the 9th when Mike Tebbitt will be telling us about 'Deserted & Abandoned Villages'.

The pub lunch is on the 16th at The Wheatsheaf, Crick, note the change of venue.

The annual Christmas Shopping trip to Milton Keynes will be on the 23rd.

The Christmas Lunch will be at The Boat, Birdingbury Wharf on the 14th December.

New members and visitors are always welcome!!

Willoughby Women's Institute

Thursday 16th is our Annual General Meeting at 7:30pm usual venue. Ploughman's supper and a glass of wine to follow.

The competition is for a decorated Cup Cake.



Bonfire Party

6:00 pm on 4th November 2017.

Brooks Close off Moor Lane

Come and enjoy the soup, hot dogs and fireworks.

Admission by Donations for the Church Roof Appeal, so come prepared!

Children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult who must ensure that they do not endanger themselves.

Offers of help etc. will be appreciated, call Elaine Heckford on 890256



Church

This year's Christingle service will be on Sunday 3rd December.

Carol Singing

The sound of Christmas will be coming to your door on Friday 22nd December, when Willoughby hosts it's annual Carol Singing event. We will start from the corner of Magdalen at 6pm working our way through the village to Brooks Close. Please join us for all or part of the evening if you would like to take part. If you would like a special request, we can come and sing a carol of your choice on your door step for a donation of £5. Any requests please ring Karen Duggan on 07836 613987. Funds raised will go to the repair of the church roof.

Church Roof Appeal

Latest news:- Grant applications have been completed and sent out. Some of these require that some funds are already raised towards cost of the roof before they will consider our application. Letters have also been sent out. Thank you to the people who have volunteered to help with the fundraising. This needs to be ongoing. The Harvest Festival and Supper raised £325 for the fund. November sees the bonfire party and in December we will be round carol singing. If anyone has any ideas or can help at all please contact Jackie (gibbardj@hotmail.co.uk) 01788 891191, Karen (kjndon@aol.com) 07866572209, or Andrea (mrsandreaughes@btinternet.com) 01788801313).

Willoughby Society

This month we hold our AGM on the 29th November. An opportunity to reflect on the various talks we heard at our monthly meetings and the events we have held during the last year. The formal business includes the election of the Society's Officers and committee members for the coming year. Our secretary and a committee member are stepping down so we need some new people to join the committee.

After Holy Moly & the Crackers hugely successful visit in October when the Village Hall structure was well and truly tested, our Christmas show is completely different!! The first half a blend of Victorian carols and midwinter folk songs and the second an hour long folk opera retelling Dickens 'A Christmas Carol' – the tale of miser Ebenezer Scrouge, ghostly visitations, etc

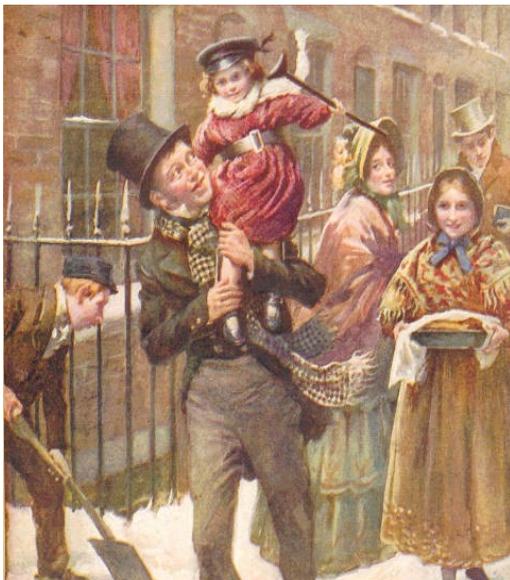
Get your tickets now for this great start for the festive season.

Friday 1st December

Tickets: £12.50 under 16s free!!

Includes Mulled Wine & Mince Pies during the interval.

From: Richard Jackson (Hazeldene, Main St. 891898) and Committee members



A CHRISTMAS CAROL

A FOLK OPERA

DICKENS' YULETIDE CLASSIC RETOLD WITH NEW WORDS SET TO TRADITIONAL ENGLISH MELODIES

Village Hall

Our Traditional Christmas Fayre is on Saturday 25th November 2017 at 2pm. There will, again, be a children's Christmas activity where they can choose and wrap a present for their family and friends - only £1 a present! Children can come along and do their Xmas shopping early!

Please come along and support this village event.

Committee Members will be collecting donations of bottles for the Tombola on Sunday 19th November (they can also be left at Worrall House, Lower Street). All donations will be gratefully received.



Christmas Fayre
Saturday 25th November 2:00 pm

Willoughby Village Hall
Lots of Festive Stalls including
Bottle Tombola, Cake, Lucky Dip,
Book, Plant & Produce, Stalls.
Refreshments will be available too!!

Everyone is Welcome!!

A special Children's Activity for just £1 they can choose & wrap a present for their family or friends

Willoughby Parish Council

The Parish Council have received the approval from Rugby Borough Council for the Parish boundary to be the designated area for our Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Planning process can now begin.

There are currently eight volunteers to form the Neighbourhood Planning Committee and any additional volunteers would be most welcome as it will be a long and time consuming process. If you would like to be involved, please contact Mike Thomas on 891338 or email mike.anthony.thomas@gmail.com.

Orange biodegradable paint is being used to show where dog mess is not being picked up. Please pick up after your dog wherever you are and not just in the Village.

Willoughby Children's Christmas Party

Elves Pippin and Poppy are back again to entertain you 11.30am Sunday 10th December until 1pm. There will be party games, dancing, crafts, party food and not forgetting a visit from Father Christmas.

Tickets cost £3.50 and are available NOW until 1st December only. If you would like to book tickets please call Karen Duggan on 07836 613987. If you are available to help or contribute to party food please let me know - it would be greatly appreciated.



Police & Neighbourhood Watch

Crime prevention: Property marking is a deterrent to burglars and increases the likelihood of stolen items being recovered. Rachel has the Village property marking kit and can mark items. Contact her (see below) to arrange to take smaller items to her or a home visit, in the village, to mark larger items.

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 : rrs.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
01-Dec-17	Willoughby Society	A Christmas Carol - A Folk Opera	Village Hall
04-Dec-17	Cricket Club	Bottle Bingo	Pavilion
31-Dec-17		New Year Party	Village Hall