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Looking after Fernwood's Hedgehogs this Autumn and winter

It's a dangerous time for Hedgehogs, looking after our Gardener's friend



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Continued improvement at Balderton Surgery.



## Fernwood New Build Planning Issues

In a nutshell the developers for the Fernwood North Development seem already to be going against their original promises! Fernwood Parish Council are fighting proposals to allow lorries through Fernwood. PUBLIC MEETING PLANNED Wednesday 26th October 7:00pm @ Village Hall!

## Persimmon's - Fernwood South Development

Jim Gould attended the planning committee meeting last month.

The Planning Committee was advised by Fernwood representatives that following consultation with residents and neighbouring Councils, and recognising the provisions of due care within the National Planning Policies esp. paragraphs 64,66 and 70, it was suggested that planning application (No. 16/00506/OUTM - generally referred to the Persimmon Homes South Build) should be re-examined to address the following concerns:

Firstly, we expressed disappointment that the opinions of Claypole PC could not be expressed directly at this meeting because of NSDC constitutional issues. The south build is of immediate concern to this community and they are most affected by the planning proposal. Fernwood PC supported Claypole PC in recognising the dangers of having Shire Lane running through the centre of the new development. Accordingly, this element of the proposal should be deferred pending further examination of the potential to divert Shire Lane around the perimeter of the new village.

Of additional and immediate concern to Fernwood is the proposed highways infrastructure that links the villages together. Noting that traffic movement will increase threefold by the end of the development but still using the existing road structure to access Fernwood Central and Newark. Barratts/David Wilson Homes and other interested planning experts, for example, intend to block off Hollowdyke Lane which would, in effect, isolate residents of Fernwood, Claypole and surrounding villages in the event of an accident on the A1, A1 bridge or London Road. In this respect we emphasised the attendant design and safety issues arising from the development surrounding Shire Lane which could provide an opportunity for this access point to be perceived as an escape route to the north trunk road at the A17.

Overall, we were more than a little perturbed about the perceived "piecemeal approach" to planning the developments surrounding Fernwood - there are so many key issues that need to be taken into account which affect all of the new builds eg. the use of a Management Company (MANCO), through flow of private vehicles, parking, schooling, public transportation, shopping, sports facilities and employment opportunities. It was counselled that a cohesive integrated approach needs to be taken to the whole build programme, and it was recommended that this should form a separate agenda identifying the key points already raised by neighbouring villages and with proposed solutions.

A great deal of the counter-arguments put forward by the Planning Department ie. supporting the existing Persimmon Plans was that a wide range of experts had been consulted prior to the application being submitted. It must be noted, however, that several of the councillors who serve on the Planning Committee called into doubt the wisdom of some the expert opinion received, and that it was important to recognise the concerns and experiences of local residents. Nonetheless, and despite several reservations especially relating to the placement of the school, the proposed introduction of a land management company and the road structure, a motion to approve the build programme was approved via majority vote.

Queries relating to the build programmes in Fernwood should be directed to The Planning Department at NSDC using the contact details below:

Email: planning@nsdc.info Tel: 01636 650000 Planning references: North Development: 14/00465/OUTM South Development: 16/00506/OUTM

## Fernwood Parish Council

## Caron Ballantyne - Parish Clerk

It has been very busy since I started in post in the middle of September.

Many thanks to Emma, the previous Clerk, for all the advice and guidance on what is happening in and around the Parish at the moment. Hopefully by the time you are reading this, the Assistant Clerk will have been appointed and we will be starting to work out how everything should be divided up and how we can provide a more visible service to all members of the Parish, especially with regard to bookings for the hall.

The plans are coming together for the annual Fireworks event on Sunday 6th November. This will be at the usual location with fireworks, burger van & bar. Please show your support for the hard work of the organising committee by coming down and joining in.

We are hoping to upgrade the Parish Council and Village Hall websites in the near future, so that you will have quick access to the information you request from us on a regular basis. So please let me know what information you think would be useful to be included. I already have: tennis court access, hall hire rates, and regular activities diary. Is there anything obvious I have missed?

Please contact me on Clerk@Fernwood-PC.co.uk with any suggestions

## Chuter Ede Primary School

## Julie Ford - Grants Administrator

Well, where did the summer go?! What an exciting time ahead! We would all like to say a big 'Hello' and welcome all the new children starting at Chuter Ede Primary School. As always at the start of term, the weeks fly by with our after school clubs starting, Harvest Festival, individual school photos and parents evening. Thoughts soon turn to Christmas......with preparations for our Carol Service, Year 3 visiting the Pantomime in Newark, children's Christmas parties and Christmas lunches, as well as our school Christmas Fayre (at Wolfit Avenue on Friday 2nd December @6.30pm).

The Fernwood School now has its own Parent Teacher Association, FACE – Fernwood Association of Chuter Ede. New members are always welcome to help at events and in the fundraising. Currently the priority is funding for a large screen, projector and lighting for the school hall. We would like to say a big 'Thank you' to the Fernwood Parish Council for their kind donation of £500 towards this. We very much hope to have reached our funding target soon.

FACE are holding a number of events at school this term including: a MacMillan Coffee morning on Friday 30th September, a Halloween Party on Thursday 20th October and a Christmas Film and Popcorn night on Friday 16th December in the school hall. Tickets will be on sale soon.

We are also delighted to finally have double yellow lines, zigzag road markings and road signs outside school. Nottinghamshire County Council installed these over the summer holidays. We very much hope this supports all parents and the community in improving the parking around the outside of the school.

We continue to be very grateful for the support Chuter Ede School receives from the local community and wish you all a fantastic Autumn!

# Fernwood Conservation Group Hedgehog Watch



Autumn and winter is a Dangerous Time for Hedgehogs as we come into cooler days and the nights have started to draw in, it is now time to start thinking about what you can do to help the hedgehog in your garden (our little gardener's friend).

Hedgehogs hibernate as the ground starts to freeze not at a set time of the year, some years they could go into hibernation at the end of October but in other years it has been as late as the middle of January.

Hedgehogs need to be a minimum of 450g to get through hibernation but it is not just weight we need to take into consideration, if you look at the hedgehog it should have a good round bottom and not pointed (or we call it pencilled effect). With a big round bottom and 450g plus weight then you can almost be certain that your hedgehogs are in the best possible shape to face whatever the winter has to throw at it. If a hedgehog is thin and does not have enough body mass the animal will not make it through the winter.

However, never feed bread and milk, as this can kill hedgehogs. Although they do eat seeds, nuts and fruit they find these difficult to digest and will often pass straight through the hedgehog undigested. Remember it is good to put at least a little food (6-10 biscuits) out every night all through winter, if you do have a hedgehog that wakes up, or the nest is disturbed, he will always have some food to find, especially if you feed in the same place all the time. Remember to check the water just before you go to bed as it may freeze overnight.

To help the hedgehog to get to a peak of fitness for winter, we suggest that you start feeding the hedgehogs about now with any kitten biscuits. Kitten biscuits are better as they are smaller biscuits and if you have any young hedgehogs still about they will find them easier to eat and the kitten biscuits are higher in protein which will help all the hedgehog put on weight. Ensure that you have at least one cat bowl or large plant pot saucer of water in the garden as the hedgehogs will need water to drink and many die from the lack of water. If you wish you can add a few meal worms, live or dried, these are also high in protein but only feed a few as they are not a good balanced diet on their own.

To stop the local cats from eating the biscuits overnight, we suggest that you either use a 4" drainage pipe which is between 18" and 28" long, if you put the biscuits inside the tube the hedgehogs will be happy to go up to get the biscuits but the local cats will not be able to get them. You can also use an under the bed clear box without the lid, cut four 4" holes one on each side at ground level (hedgehogs may bite one another over food, so with four holes they can always escape if one is a bully). Place the box over some kitten biscuits which are on the ground, not in a dish, and put a small brick or something heavy on the top of the box to stop it being blown away in the any strong wind. The clear box will mean that you can then have the joy of watching them while they eat.



Make sure there is more than one hole so Hogs can escape bullies

Try to be careful if you light bonfires which have been in place for more than a few hours as hedgehogs may think you have made a nest just for them.

Signs of problems and what to do

The general rule is, if a hedgehog is out and about in daylight, or underweight, it generally means there is something wrong. Hedgehogs never sunbathe, if they are ever found out of a nest lying on their sides or non-active for more than half an hour, there is a problem, whether it is in the daytime or not. If a hedgehog at any time appears wobbly, unsteady on its feet (almost drunk like) there is a problem, it could be only hunger or thirst, but if they are wobbly they will be dehydrated caused through one of a number of things. You should always pick up any hedgehog, which has obvious signs of injuries or any breathing problems. The sooner you get help for the animal, the more chance there is to save it and delay can be fatal.

When picking up a hedgehog, wear gloves or pick up in a towel, never with bare hands. Place in a high sided box cardboard or plastic (at least 18" high) or a pet carrier. Line the bottom with at least 5 sheets of newspaper (making sure any staples are removed or taped over from the bottom of the box). Tear more newspaper, at least 12 sheets, into 1"-1.5" strips the full length or

width of the newspaper. Put the newspaper strips at one end of the box to make a nest. Then fill a plastic or glass screw top bottle with hot water, (making sure the top is on really tight), wrap another couple of sheets of newspaper round the bottle, placing it in the torn up newspaper strips. Then gently place the hedgehog next to the hot bottle and cover with the strips of newspaper, a sick hedgehog will be cold and if they are cold they will not eat. At the other end of the box place a plate of food (as described above) and some water in a glass or pot ramekin. Change the hot bottle every three/four hours and just before going to bed. Place the box somewhere away from any noise and cover any open boxes to stop the hedgehog from escaping as they will try to escape but remember they do need to some air getting into the box.

Call for help – Hedgehog Welfare 07940 714830 (Grantham-Retford Area) or the British Hedgehog Preservation Society 01584 890801 or take it to the nearest vet.

If you would like more information about hedgehogs please call Hedgehog Welfare after 18.30 and before 22.30 any evening and we will be pleased to send you some information sheets.



Normal Services at St Giles are :-First Sunday of the Month

Last Sunday of the Month All other Sundays

Every Thursday Every Tuesday

Every Wednesday

8.00 Holy Communion

9.30 am -10.45 am All Age Worship

6.00 pm Evensong

9.30 am Family Friendly Holy Communion

9.30 am Holy Communion

6.00 pm Evensong (Refresh on 4th Sunday)

9.45 am Holy Communion

6.00 pm – 7.00 pm Parish Surgery to book Baptisms and Weddings.

2.00 pm -4.00 pm Open Church.

Come along for a cup of tea and a chat.

Every Second and Third Sunday (Except for School Holidays) Sunday Club meets in St Giles Church Hall for Children 3+ at 9.30 am.

Canon Revd Mark Adam has taken over as Area Dean Area Dean's Secretary, Louise Riley, will be dealing with day to day enquiries and can be contacted at Tel 01636 555082; email nsdeaneryoffice@gmail.com She is available Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9.30apm to 3pm. Wednesday 9am to 1pm. The Rectory, 3 Marsh Lane, Farndon, Newark, NG24 3SS.

#### Finding Our Way ...

Hello! My name is Mark Adams and I am the new Area Dean of Newark & Southwell (as well as being the new Vicar of the Beck & Trent Parishes, in the lovely villages of Sutton-on-Trent, Carlton-on-Trent, Cromwell, Norwell, Ossington and Caunton). I have been the Diocese for 13 of my 17 years of ministry, serving in Sutton-in-Ashfield and more recently in Mansfield, so although I am familiar with Nottinghamshire, this beautiful part of it is new to me.

One of the things that is great about going to a new place is exploring what is around me. We live in Norwell so I have been spending quite a bit of time walking our dog Freddie and discovering the footpaths around the village, and my essential companion as I have done this has been the OS map app on my phone. Without a map I would end up getting lost very quickly – as the place where the footpaths go is not always obvious – and using the phone has the added advantage of showing me whereabouts on the map I am!

Needing something to help us navigate our way through an unfamiliar landscape could be a helpful way to think about how we go forward as churches across the Deanery over the next few years. We can all see the challenges that come with the changes in the wider culture and the way those changes affect us here. But it is important to remember that we do not do this on our own. As the Psalmist says in Psalm 121: So let's pray that the Holy Spirit will be at work among us, drawing us together to guide us through our own mountains that face us and remember Jesus' promise that, as we seek to go and make disciples, he will always be with us.

"I look up to the mountains; does my strength come from mountains? No, my strength comes from God, who made heaven, and earth, and mountains."

Other Dates for your diary	1		
3rd Nov, 7.30pm	St Giles	Licensing Service for Revd Louise Holliday	
6th Nov, 6.00pm	St Giles	Commemoration Service	
13th Nov, 10.45am	St Giles	Family Remembrance Service	
27th Nov, 6.00pm	St Giles	Advent Carol Service	
3rd Dec, 10.am-1.00pm	St Giles Commu	nity Hall St Giles Christmas Fair	
4th Dec, 9.30am	St Giles	Family and Gift Service	
13th Dec, 6.00pm	Fernwood Community Centre		Fernwood Carol Service
18th Dec, 9.30am	St Giles	Holy Communior	and Nativity Presentation
21st Dec, 7.00pm	St Giles	Carol Service	
24th Dec, 3.00pm	St Giles	Christingle Servio	ce
24th Dec, 11.30pm	St Giles	Holy Communion (Midnight Mass)	
25th Dec, 10.30am	St Giles	Family Holy Com	imunion
1st Jan, 8.00am	St Giles	Holy Communior	1
1st January, 10.00am	Balderton Methodist Church		Covenant Service

For more information about any of the special events call Linda Lawrence on 605226 or ask at Parish Surgery 6pm-7pm in St Giles every Tuesday.

For more information and details of our social groups and other activities in our church hall please look at the St Giles website www.stgilesbalderton.org.uk

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN NEWARK - Carols in the Castle

We will be holding a Carol service Thursday 22nd December in the Castle Grounds between 6.00pm and 8.00pm.

During the Service Beaumont House will hold their service of "Light up a Life". Beaumont house will also be organising refreshments.

## Fernwood Residents Association

Chairman: Vice Chairman: Secretary: Treasurer: Fanfare Editor: Website: Advertise: Dave Mack, chain David Heath, chain Vacant, secre Barry Smith, treas Cheryle Mack, med www.fernwood-ra.uk Contact the editor for rates

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Check out the Fernwood facebook page



Crafters Come along Friday mornings at Earls in Fernwood 10.30 - 12.30 Eonjoy a coffee and chat with other crafters, bring along your materials to make crafts of your choice.

Fernwood Crafty

Phone Amanda 07813321489

Find us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/ fernwoodcraftcraftersgroup/?fref=ts



Beaumond House Community Hospice 2016 Events Fund raising and fun at Beaumond House



Sahara Desert Charity Trek March 2017

<sup>e</sup> Light up a Life Service 6:00pm Newark Castle Thursday 22nd December

The Beaumond House 30th Anniversary Ball



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### **Balderton and Fernwood Neighbourhood Policing Team**

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#### Leave a light on, leave burglars in the dark

- As the nights get darker earlier, leave a light on inside your house. Remember to choose low energy lamps.
- Use a timer switch to operate the lights as it starts to get dark. Change the times so that the lights come on to simulate an occupied home.
- Make sure your front door is well lit. Use dusk to dawn lighting that automatically comes on as it gets dark.
- Make sure you keep your doors and windows locked at all times.

#### **Reports of Hare Coursing**

We have received reports of hare coursing around the fields surrounding Fernwood. If you see anything suspicious please report it immediately.

When reporting a wildlife crime, we ask that you provide as much information as possible on:

- Any people involved in the incident, including descriptions of their appearance and clothing.
- Any vehicles involved or seen in the vicinity at the time of the incident, including details of the vehicle make, model and registration number.
- Any other animals including dogs involved in the incident.

Follow us on social media, Twitter **@Newark\_police** and Facebook.com**/NewarkPoliceUK** for up to date news from your local neighbourhood policing team.

#### www.nottinghamshire.police.uk





# **Fernwood Fanfare Photo Competition**

## Judged by Fernwood's Facebook Photographer Geoff Bowers

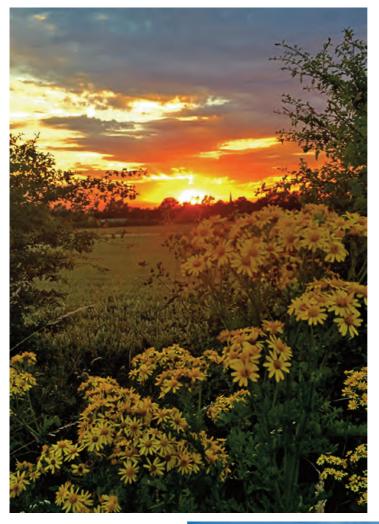
Thanks for all your entries, I had an extremely difficult but fun time judging so many photos. But eventually I came up with a winner and a highly commended from the adult and youth categories. Winners photos will be placed on display in the village hall.



Andrew Laming wins our over 16 competition for his interesting perspective of Sedgeways aligned along a wall.

Kim Walker gets a 'Highly Commended' for her take on the combine at the back of Fernwood.





Jordan Kennedy wins the under 16's category for this interesting shot showing how daisies compliment the bright orange sunset.

Hollie Walker gets a 'Highly Commended' for this fantastic shot of Thistle against bright blue sky.



## **Balderton Surgery Update**



It has been a very busy and interesting 4 months at Balderton Surgery, which is now being looked after by Primary Integrated Community Services Ltd (or PICs for short). We know that some patients have had some concerns over the lack of doctors and continuity of care. Please read on to see what we have been working on so far.

#### **Clinical Team**

As of 1st September Dr Kerri Sallis is now the lead GP at the practice. Kerri will be working at the practice on a Monday, Thursday and Friday. Along-side her will be 2 long term locums who will be starting in October to support her and hopefully this will help with continuity of doctors. We are still working very hard to recruit another permanent doctor.

We have also just recruited an Advanced Nurse Practitioner to support the team and she should be starting some time in November. Please check out our website for updates on this. She will be working along-side our current locum ANP to make sure of a smooth transition.

#### <u>Clinics</u>

The flu season is now in full swing. Please check out our website for any updates on dates for flu clinics as we are adding these on all the time. We are also offering Pneumococcal, Shingles and Men ACWY vaccines to eligible patients. Please call the surgery to find out if you qualify.

#### Annual Review

We are continuing to monitor anyone with longterm conditions in an annual review in their month of birth. Please book your appointment when you receive your letter or call the surgery if you have not heard from us.

#### <u>Website</u>

We have a new website and address. Please take a look as we post regular updates on the website under the NEWS section to keep you updated with anything that is happening that could be helpful. You can also use this if you would like to order your prescriptions online. The address is

www.picsbalderton.co.uk.

Any questions, concerns or anything requiring further clarification, please call us on 01636 705856.

## Fernwood Tae Kwon-Do Club

If you're looking for something to do with the family as the nights begin to draw in then Fernwood Taekwondo Club may just have the answer.

The family class at 6.30pm on Mondays is proving popular as mums and dads can get involved with the kids.



Special rates are available, making Taekwondo a fun and affordable past time for everyone.

The separate "Tigers" class at 5.45pm is also enrolling now so younger children who would like to take up the martial art can do so with other boys and girls of their own age.

Come down to the village hall on Monday evenings to find out more or to give Taekwondo a go.

The club has lots of activities planned between now and the end of the year, beginning with a special charity Halloween training session and fun night.

For more info on the club please contact 01476 570616 or 07496 012048 or go to tkdclubs.com.