



Welcome to the

FERNWOOD GAZETTE



Fernwood Autumn Update

Welcome residents to spooky season in Fernwood! As always, the village hall has been busy with activities and we have lots coming up over the autumn and winter months.

We hosted another great market in the village hall and have hosted several pop-ups in the carpark including cheese and bread stalls, and even waffles! There was a MacMillan coffee morning raising money for charity, plus new classes and social groups forming; the village hall really has become a community hub this year and we'd highly recommended looking at our what's on to see if there's anything you'd like to attend. There's a lot coming up over the festive period for all ages including Christmas markets, live music and carols plus workshops. Plus new stalls in the car park!

At recent meetings we've been discussing Costall Woods, developments at the quarry and sharing our recommendations based on the travel and transport survey. We've met with County and District council, plus stakeholders to discuss things such as travel & transport, Fernwood North, land ownership and developments across the village. We also voted to object the new application from Persimmon due to multiple concerns such as highways and flooding; a detailed overview can be found further in this addition. We also hosted another litter pick - thank you to our helpers who did a great job of helping to keep the village clean and tidy!

If you have any ideas or feedback for the council, we are very open to new ideas and speaking to residents. Please get in touch!

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PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

Office opening times:

Monday - Friday

10am – 1pm

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Councillors meet most months to discuss issues raised by residents, planning & strategy. These meetings take place at the village hall and are published online beforehand. Residents are welcome at the first 15 minutes of each meeting for open discussion, to raise any concerns or ask any questions.

Upcoming meeting details:

Monday 31st October

Monday 18th November

No meeting in December

Annual Parish Meeting:

Date to be confirmed for 2025

Agendas are usually published the Wednesday before the meeting. Draft minutes with decisions are usually published on the following Monday. Our minutes and agendas are posted online, as well as on our noticeboards which are on the side of the village hall and on Goldstraw Lane, opposite the clock tower.

You can also speak to councillors at the following events:

Coffee morning:

Most Tuesdays

10am -12pm Fernwood Village Hall

Residents are always welcome to come into the parish council office in the village hall if they have any queries. You can also follow our Facebook page for regular updates on the Council's work.

From the Council

As we are fast approaching the end of the year, we are reviewing all the work achieved in 2024, of which there has been a lot. In recent months this has focussed on land ownership, the quarry and new developments within Fernwood which will impact new and current residents. We have again increased community engagement with popular litter picks, a bursting events calendar at the village hall and a lot more to come as we enter the festive period. The team at the village hall continue to come up with new events and pop-ups for residents, and as a council we are very grateful for all their hard work.

As a result of your views provided in our travel survey we have spoken to stakeholders and given suggestions for improvements. We look forward to opening The Hub soon at Balderton Hall. We are getting closer to going out to market for the playpark replacement in Central Fernwood.

A lot more work has been going on behind the scenes and we hope to be bring more improvement forward to you for consultation in the near future.

Cllr Neill Misson





WHAT'S ON

FERNWOOD VILLAGE HALL

www.facebook.com/village.hall.fernwood/



MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

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| 9:30 - 10:30 Peaceful Possums Yoga | 10:00 - 12:00 Coffee Group & Knit and Natter | 17:30 - 18:30 Blossoms | 9:30 - 11:30 Baby & Toddlers Group | 9:30 - 12:10 Caterpillar Music |
| 11:45 - 13:15 Sit, Get Fit, Get Healthy | 16:30 - 17:00 18:00 - 19:00 Newark Karate Academy | 18:00 - 19:00 Functional Fitness | 14:00 - 15:30 Moving Together | 13:00 - 14:15 Cook Stars |
| 17:30 - 19:30 Tae kwon-do | 19:30 - 21:00 Fernwood Amateur Dramatics | 19:30 - 21:30 Fernwood Ladies Choir | 18:30 - 19:30 Lucina Mama Antenatal Education (Small Hall) | 17:30 - 18:30 Blossoms |
| 20:00 - 21:00 Zumba | | 19:30 - 21:30 (3rd Wednesday of the Month) Women's Institute | | 18:30 - 19:15 Dog Days |

SATURDAY

09:30 - 11:30
Studio 29 Musical
Theatre

SUNDAY

10:30 - 13:00
Fernwood Community
Church



For contact details of group organisers, please visit:
www.fernwood-pc.co.uk/community/fernwood-parish-council-13053/regular-events/

FERNWOOD NORTH UPDATE

As Fernwood continues to grow, the Parish Council is actively engaging with developers and local authorities regarding the future of the new areas in our village, particularly Fernwood North. This encompasses the vicinity of the Barratt David Wilson sales offices, Hunters Road and area around Phoenix Lane.

Currently, this land is owned and maintained by the developers. The Parish Council are discussing the potential transfer of ownership and is seeking detailed information about the land and facilities that might be included, as well as the financial implications for maintenance. We've now had an informal meeting and requested detailed plans to understand the complexities. While we await updated information, please be assured that we are committed to keeping residents informed about any developments. Updates will be shared through the Gazette, at upcoming meetings and on social media.



FERNWOOD Ghost HUNT



THIS YEAR WE ARE ASKING RESIDENTS TO GET INVOLVED IN THE FERNWOOD GHOST HUNT!
SIMPLY CUT OUT OUR FRIENDLY GHOST ABOVE AND DISPLAY THEM IN YOUR WINDOWS OVER THE
SPOOKY SEASON. HAPPY GHOST HUNTING...

FERNWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH UPDATE

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Our pastor Klaas-Jan is currently in northern Kenya to teach other pastors and church workers. These men mainly come from rural, war-torn South Sudan and so far, they've had little training for Christian leadership and preaching. The group consists of 19 students who come from different people groups and languages, so the teaching happens in English - the third language for some of them!

It has been a wonderful opportunity for Klaas-Jan to learn about different cultures, and how other Christians practice our faith in the same Saviour Jesus Christ in quite different ways and contexts. These lessons are shared with the Fernwood Church family. We are encouraged to see God at work in these far-away parts of the world too! In September, we had the joy of the first baptisms of Fernwood Community Church! 4 young people had become Christians within the last few years and asked to be considered for baptism. In the preparation classes we heard how they had courageously coped with being Christians in the minority at secondary school.

The actual baptisms took place on the Village Hall patio area in a portable, and heated pool! Family and friends came especially to support the young people. They shared their stories of what led them to commit to faith in Jesus and we sung some of their favourite Christian songs. Afterwards we all had lunch together. An encouraging day! Every meeting of the church is an opportunity to worship, discover more about faith in Jesus and support each other: Sunday, Thursday Toddler Group and regular home groups. You are most welcome to join us each week. Check out our website for details of regular activities and special events: fernwoodchurch.org.uk

For any questions: hello@fernwoodchurch.org.uk

Church activities

Sunday

- Service at 10.30am -12pm
- Sunday school for 4-11 year olds during the morning service

Sunday evening service:

- Last Sunday of the month
- 6-7pm

Wednesday

Ladies' Bible study 1-2.30pm
(homebased - term time only)

ID group for 11-16 year olds

First Wednesday of each month
7.30pm (homebased)

Thursday

Babies and toddlers
9.30-11.30am (term time only)

Still Smiling (support group)
once a month on the first Tuesday,
9.30-11.30am (term time only)

16+ youth group

once a month (homebased)
28 July 7.30pm

Church contacts

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Social media

[Facebook.com/fernwoodchurch](https://www.facebook.com/fernwoodchurch)

Website

www.fernwoodchurch.org.uk



**Fresh Fruit & Veg
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Upcoming Stall Dates:
 Saturday 28th September
 Saturday 12th October
 Saturday 26th October
 Saturday 9th November
 Saturday 23rd November
 Saturday 14th December
 2pm - 4pm

**Carpark at the back of Fernwood
Village Hall**

**We are open every Tuesday
10am - 12pm**

**Serving free tea, coffee &
biscuits
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RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS



A huge thank you and well done to Vicky Bisop and the Tuesday Coffee Morning group who have shown some lovely community spirit in September with their Random Acts of Kindness. You may have noticed lots of lovely handmade colour monsters around the village for our youngest residents starting school.

Vicky Bisop said “I’ve been a teacher for 27 years and wanted to acknowledge how tricky starting school can be and also that returning to school in September involves lots of changes that some children find unsettling. The Colour Monster is a set of books that help children understand their emotions and the physical effects they can have on their bodies.”

It was a lovely surprise and support for those starting school in the village and bought lots of happy faces! The coffee morning meets every Tuesday at the village hall from 10am, as do the Knit and Natter group. It’s free to drop along and refreshments are served, with a friendly face on offer from local residents.

PARTY IN THE PARK 2024

What an incredible day we had at the Party In The Park this August! The event was a fantastic celebration of community spirit, featuring local businesses, lots of wonderful causes and an array of live music which kept the crowd entertained. Plus there were activities that delighted residents of all ages. Despite a few weather surprises, it was heart-warming to see so many people enjoying the festivities and making memories. This year, we introduced new elements and demos from Nottinghamshire Police & St John's Ambulance!

A massive thank you goes out to our amazing volunteers, who made all the difference! We had a record turnout this year, with volunteers helping with everything from setting up gazebos to ensuring everyone had a safe and enjoyable time. Your community spirit truly shone through! A special shout-out to the staff at Desi Kitchen for their thoughtful gesture of bringing food for our volunteers at the end of the evening—it was a delicious way to show appreciation!

We have now had a wash-up on the event with plenty of suggestions on how we can improve next year. Here's to another unforgettable Party In The Park, and we can't wait to do it all again in 2025.



VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

The staff team at the village hall have been working hard in 2024 to ensure the hall is profitable and continues to be a hub for the community. We continue to see an influx of party bookings, new groups and social activities at the hall which is excellent news for residents. Fernwood Village Hall continues to modernise - we've recently had an exhibition of local artwork on display, the gardens are flourishing and there's been many pop-ups in the car park over the year including cheese, bread and waffles!



We are making good progress on the leasing of part of Balderton Hall to provide more meeting rooms, business spaces and parking due to demand. At the moment, the building work is being undertaken to give users a dedicated entrance and modernised space. We expect this to have a really positive impact for all residents and users of the village hall, as well as introducing some new activities for the village. You will be able to book and pay online for your space at 'The Hub' and we are still hoping to be open by the end of the year. You can follow us on social media for updates.



PERSIMON APPLICATION UPDATE

The Parish Council held an extraordinary meeting in October to review the planning application made by Persimmon for 430 houses off the Great North Road. **It was agreed to object due to significant concerns** regarding highway safety, housing density, flood risks, and environmental impact.

The application does not address increased traffic from the new A1 services and Southern Link Road. Closing the left turn into Fernwood could force drivers to take a dangerous detour, especially if the A1 exit is closed.

Insufficient parking provisions may also create hazards. The proposed density raises concerns about parking and safe bus routes.

Parts of the proposed site are in flood zones, raising questions about the adequacy of drainage plans for sports facilities.

Noise assessments do not reflect peak traffic times, and there are concerns about adequate ventilation for affected homes.

The Council believes these issues must be thoroughly studied before any plans proceed. We are only consultees in this process and the decision lies with the planning department but we appreciate your ongoing support and will keep you updated on developments.



TRAVEL & TRANSPORT UPDATE

The Parish Council travel and transport working group recently met with County Councillor Lee to share data and concerns from residents regarding transport and travel in Fernwood. Recommendations were also made to Via East Midlands based on the survey we conducted at the beginning of 2024. The working group proposed hiring a traffic consultant to review their recommendations for validity, but this was declined. Instead, officers from Nottingham & Sherwood County Council will conduct their own assessments; please note, no formal requests have yet been made and this meeting was to discuss recommendations and possibilities. Before making formal requests, we'll be sure to add them to a future agenda so residents can give feedback.

The working group suggested bi-yearly meetings with bus companies to enhance collaboration. This proposal was declined; the County Council plans to meet bus representatives in a year to assess progress and requested all feedback be communicated through them rather than to the bus companies. However, Fernwood Parish Council will continue its efforts to promote services for the benefit of residents. Suggestions to modify bus routes to include train stations and colleges were also declined at this time.

The working group suggested a potential zebra crossing on Goldstraw Lane to improve safety for children after reports from residents of speeding; this has since been declined by officers at Via East Midlands based on their speeding tube data, showing average car speeds under the limit. The working group has requested this data so we can understand maximum speeds of cars during the period which is the concern of residents. We look forward to hearing any potential alternatives Via East Midlands may have. A community speed watch program was suggested as an alternative which the working group will look into. Additionally, the introduction of an electronic speed sign on the Great North Road was discussed, which the working group will take back to the full council for consideration.

The working group raised concerns regarding the A1 slip road flooding; a formal request to Highways England would be necessary which will be taken back to full council to action.

The group also discussed the potential for introducing double yellow lines across various sections of Fernwood, which will require local research and support from residents however these are very unlikely to be successful if applied for.

The working group was advised to reach out to the District Council for access to the latest traffic reports and police data. Concerns about parked cars obstructing emergency services access were noted. Councillor Shepherd highlighted recent issues with buses navigating around parked cars on Goldstraw Lane, which led to an accident. Councillor Lee agreed to investigate this matter.

Finally, the working group shared concerns related to parking outside the school and increased traffic from the new Persimmon development. There is no confirmation a new school will be built in the new development, meaning more traffic would be expected in Fernwood.

Residents are encouraged to stay engaged with these discussions and to share their thoughts and concerns. Your feedback is invaluable in shaping a safer and more efficient Fernwood. Whilst transport and highways are not in our remit, we will continue to consult the community for thoughts on potential improvements as well as share information with stakeholders.

MACMILAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to all who attended our Macmillan Coffee Morning in September for a cup of tea and a chatter. It was a lovely morning and great to see so many people drop in. Plus a very special thanks to those who baked! It was a great turn out and we'll be back in 2025 with another event for the charity. We raised an amazing £191.69 for the charity as well as enjoying some delicious sweet treats.



CHRISTMAS IS COMING

As the festive season approaches, we're thrilled to announce lots of exciting events that will bring our community together to celebrate Christmas! Get ready for our Christmas Market held in the village hall which is the perfect opportunity to find unique gifts from local sellers and crafters. Plus delicious baked goods, and festive decorations!

Fernwood Community Christmas will also be back with Newark Town Band and Fernwood Ladies Choir! Don't forget to bring your best singing voice!

For those looking to get crafty, we will once again be hosting wreath making workshops to create your very own festive wreath to hang on your door. Keep an eye on social media for more details.

Plus a variety of stalls in the car park including cheese, bread and veg to keep you stocked!





FERNWOOD COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

FERNWOOD VILLAGE HALL
SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER
3PM - 7PM

Join us for a festive sing song at the village hall, live music and entertainment for all ages, including:

Performance from Newark Town Brass Band

Fernwood Ladies Choir

Children's Christmas Crafts

Write & post your letters for Santa

Fully licensed bar & mince pies

**Plus Santa's Outdoor Garden Grotto
for photograph with Santa!**

Tickets for visiting Santa must be booked in advance. Limited tickets available. Families will be allocated a 15 minute time slot in order to manage wait times. Terms & conditions apply.

DISTRICT COUNCIL UPDATE



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Dear resident. We are pleased to be writing to you again in the latest issue of the Fernwood Gazette, following on from our summer column about anti-social behaviour and car meets, local healthcare, and the wonderful young debaters we hosted at Castle House.

Congratulations

We're delighted to be able to share the fantastic news that three of our young residents have recently been recognised in the Newark and Sherwood Community Awards. Huge congratulations go to Elliott, Jude, and Seth for winning the 'Young Person of the Year' award following a nomination from the Children's Bereavement Centre. The nomination was submitted following their immense and hard-earned fundraising for the charity, raising over one thousand pounds to support this vital local organisation. We are immensely proud of their achievement and know that readers will be equally pleased and proud too.

Green Rewards

We have recently received an update report on the Council's green rewards programme, which was established under the previous administration in 2022. The Green Rewards App hosts a number of tasks and behaviours that residents can demonstrate and log to earn points. Two residents, one based on the most points earned, and another selected at random, are chosen as winners each month by the platform operator and become eligible for a £20 voucher. We spoke to officers about increasing engagement and the impact of this programme, and recognise that promotion is a contributing factor. As such, we are writing to make you are of this app and would encourage you to take a look, and who knows, you may learn something new or develop positive behavioural changes to lessen your impact on our local environment.

Kidney Stones

Residents will likely be aware of the current administration's proposals to erect Kidney Stones outside the Council's Headquarters, Castle House. Whilst we recognise Kidney's important and impressive work, we are concerned about the proposed spend and selected location for these artefacts. As such, we have closely followed and fed into the consultation process carried out by the Council and await the analysed results which will be presented to the Council through committees over the coming months. Please be assured that we will continue to follow this matter closely, ensuring that our residents views are heard, recognising your priorities and preferences for Council tax spend.

As ever, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us if we can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,
Jack, Simon & Neil

The HISTORY of RAF BALDERTON –

part 7 – 1944/5 Lancasters

RAF Balderton Research Group - Pete Stevens, Leighton & Debbie Topham & Colin Savill.

Following the departure of the last USAAF detachments on the 1 October 1944 Balderton reverted to RAF control.

1 October Consequent upon the handing over of Balderton Station by the IXth Troop Carrier Command USAAF to Bomber Command the 308th Station Complement Squadron USAAF departed. 2 October The advance party from RAF Dunholme Lodge arrived to form Station HQ and the advance party of No.5 Aircrew School arrived from RAF Scampton commanded by S/Ldr. E. F. Nelles.

3 October The main party for Station HQ arrived from Dunholme Lodge and the main party of the Aircrew School arrived. 4 October Both rear parties for Station HQ [from Dunholme Lodge] and the Aircrew School arrived and the first intake of pupils for the Aircrew School arrived from the OTUs. 14 October No.5 NCOs Training School arrived.

In July 1942 a Beaufighter unit, No.227 Squadron, was formed in the UK for service in the Middle East, however, on arrival at Aqir Palestine its aircrews were absorbed by No.272 Squadron and the ground crew allocated to No.10 Squadron. No.227 reformed at Luqa, Malta on 20 August.1942 taking over No.235 Squadrons Beaufighters, operating from North Africa in March 1943 it moved to Italy in August 1944 and was disbanded by being renumbered No.19 Squadron SAAF.

On 7 October 1944 the Squadron again reformed at Bardney commanded by W/Cdr. Ernest R. Millington with Lancasters (but no crews) from No.9 Squadron as A Flight commanded by S/Ldr. Chester and B Flight commanded by S/Ldr. Meagher from No.619 Squadron based at Strubby. The Squadrons first operation was to Flushing on the 11 October with three B Flight aircraft taking part, 3 more operations took place before the move to Balderton.

19 October Servicing Wing advance parties and the advance party of No.227 Squadron arrived from both RAF Bardney and RAF Strubby by road; 21 October Main party Servicing Wing arrived from Bardney and Strubby; 22 October 'A' and 'B' Flights Aircrews arrived by air from Bardney and Strubby; 23 October the rear parties proceeded to RAF Balderton.

28/29 October Eighteen Lancasters of No.227 Squadron took off at 2230 hours on the first operation from Balderton, icing and electric storms were encountered on the return journey. All aircraft diverted to Holme and Brighton landing safely.

30 October the Station Commanders remarks: The month of October was eventful for the station in that it returned to Bomber Command after being on loan to the USAAF for over twelve months. The early part of the month was devoted to cleaning, tidying and arranging the station in accordance with normal Bomber Command operational requirements. This involved considerable work in preparation for No.227 Squadron in their aircrew block, in fitting up the Watch Office, in constructing the Operations Room and the Intelligence Offices and in re-organising all the station communications. On the 10th of the month, Station Headquarters moved from the Administrative Site as shown on the plan to the Technical Site so that SHQ should be conveniently close to the Operations Block.

The station really came into its own with the arrival of No.227 Squadron. This is a newly formed squadron and assembled with its Squadron Headquarters and one flight at Bardney and the other flight at Strubby earlier in the month. The squadron could have operated on the night of its arrival had it been necessary but weather conditions prevented operations before the 28/29.

E L S Ward Group Captain, Commanding, RAF Station, Balderton.

The Personnel Strength of the Station on 31 December 1944 was as follows:-

RAF WAAF

Officers Sen. NCO's* O. R.s* Officers Sen. NCO's O. R.s

SHQ 29 71 525 3 8 149

No.227 Squadron 74 199

No.7 Group Aircrew School 113 422 15 20

No.5 Group Training School 10 3

TOTALS 216 702 542 3 8 169



*Sen. NCOs – Warrant Officers, Flight Sergeants and Sergeants. O. R.s - Other Ranks, Corporal and below.

30 March 1945 Warning Order received from HQ No.5 Group that No.227 Squadron is to move to Strubby (55 Base) on 5 April 1945.

3 April The transport of servicing wing and armament equipment to RAF Station Strubby commenced. Movement orders for the Advance Party on 4 April, and Main Party 5 April were promulgated. 4 April The Advance Party departed for RAF Station Strubby, and the transport of servicing and armament equipment continued. The MT Company provided eight 3 tonners with trailers in lieu of ten coaches for the transport of personnel and kit.

5 April The Main Party road moved off from 08.30 Hours onwards. The Main Party Air took off in 20 Lancasters, each aircraft carrying four passengers and kit. 7 April The Rear Party arrived [at Strubby] from RAF Balderton thereby completing the move of No.227 Squadron in accordance with HQ No.5 Group Admin Instruction NO.1/45 dated 31.3..45.

The RAF Balderton ORB reported: Signal despatched to Headquarters Bomber Command; Headquarters No.5 Group and Headquarters No.56 Base reporting completion of move. The total number of personnel affected by the move to Strubby was 672.

The last operational mission by the Squadron was on 25 April when 3 Lancasters bombed Berchtesgaden, 3 other Lancasters aborted. The last mission before VE Day was on the 4 May when 12 Lancasters ferried ex-POWs home from the Continent (Operation Exodus). The squadron flew 815 sorties losing 15 aircraft in 61 raids; two further aircraft were lost in crashes. No.227 Squadron was disbanded on 5 September 1945.

Colin Savill BA (Hons)

COMMUNITY BOOKSHELF

Do you know inside Fernwood Village Hall you have access to the community bookshelf? Over the last 6 months there's been a steady flow of donations to the new community bookshelf in the entrance to the village hall, with plenty of choice for all ages. This fab idea was introduced by our village hall manager Claire, and has proven super popular with residents. We're also on the lookout for a new bookshelf as we've had so many donated, so if you're clearing out a bigger shelf we'd love to re-home it from you.

There's no need to sign books in and out like the library - this system works on trust and the hope that everyone will find something they want to read! Please feel free to drop off your unwanted books for others in the village to enjoy (during opening hours) or pick up a book to take home!



RECYCLING

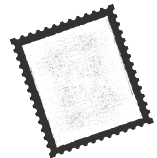
Did you know you can recycle all of the below at the village hall during opening times?

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Foil

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OTHER VILLAGE UPDATES



October Litter Pick

Residents and Parish Councillors got together for another community litter pick in October! Special thank you to Seren and Xanthe for all their help on the day! Thank you to all who came along and to residents who have been making reports of rubbish and fly tipping over the last few months. For reference, any fly tipping can be reported directly to the District Council via their website. Don't forget, litter pickers and bags are also available from the village hall during weekday opening hours.



Fernwood Village Hall

The village hall is available for hire and we are taking bookings for 2025! With two halls available, we have space to accommodate a variety of events. Or for larger gatherings, why not hire the entire building for exclusive use. Add the bar to your booking to take away the stress of keeping your guests watered. We have a beautiful garden space and outside seating, great for the warmer months for BBQ's and inflatables. You can make a booking online or pop in to see the village hall team for more info.



Councillor Update

As you may have seen, we have a casual vacancy for a Parish Councillor due to resignation. This position will be filled by co-option rather than an election.

Interested candidates have been given the opportunity to share their details with the clerk over the past few months. At our October meeting, we will review applicants and vote on who to co-opt onto the council.

We look forward to introducing you to whomever joins the Parish Council in the next edition of the Gazette and online.



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FROM 25TH
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STARTERS

Smoked Mackerel Pate £6.50 (GFO)

Deep Fried Goats Cheese £7

Pigs in Blankets £6.50

MAIN DISHES

Handmade Turkey Ballotine £16.50

Slow Braised Blade of Beef £18* (GF)

Homemade Pie of the Day £16 (VGO)

Ale Battered Cod £16

Mushroom & Chestnut Wellington £16 (VG)

DESSERTS

Traditional Christmas Pudding £6.50 (V)

Homemade Sticky Toffee Pudding £6.50 (GFO/V)

Chocolate Orange Bread & Butter Pudding £6.50 (V)

2 COURSES - £22.50

3 COURSES - £28.50

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