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News for the villages of Colsterworth, Woolsthorpe, Stainby, Gunby, North Witham and Lobthorpe

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Sunday 13th November



- 10:30 - Congregate at the memorial
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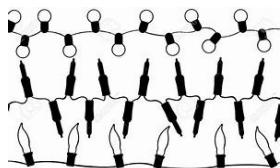
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HEADLINES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 4th OCTOBER 2022

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<https://colsterworth.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

Public Forum

There were no persons present for the Public Forum.

Chairman's Remarks.

Chair to the Parish Council Cllr Caroline Hainsworth welcomed everyone to the meeting. They commented on the mild weather and hoped for a good meeting.

Updates for Council administration

Finance and Administration (F & A) Committee. Date for the next meeting Tuesday 18th October 2022.

The following policies were renewed:

1. CAD Equal Opportunities Policy
2. CAD Grants Allocation
3. CAD Grants
4. CAD Volunteer Policy with a short amendment to acknowledge the principles of the 'Civility & Respect Pledge'.
5. CAD Employment Policy with a short amendment to acknowledge the principles of the 'Civility & Respect Pledge'.
6. CAD Nature Trail Constitution with a short amendment to acknowledge the principles of the 'Civility & Respect Pledge'.
7. CAD Risk Management - Deferred to the following meeting after the F&A Meeting 18th October 2022.
8. CAD Publications Scheme

LCC & SKDC Cllr Reports

SKDC Cllr David Bellamy reported: -

1. Following Cllr Ben Green's request for a PCSO presence at a Parish Council meeting the Chief Constable of Lincolnshire Constabulary would be arranging a meeting with Cllr Green.
2. Cllr Bellamy thanked the Parish Council for the vehicle activated sign (VAS) which the Parish Council had agreed to install at North Witham.
3. Cllr K Vickers brought up the subject of the A1 housing development, but Cllr Bellamy was not aware of a start date.

SKDC Cllr B Green & LCC Cllr C Vernon sent their apologies for not being able to attend the meeting.

Remembrance Sunday 13th November 2022

+Agreed that Chair to the Council Cllr C Hainsworth would lay the wreath on behalf of the Parish Council.

Christmas Lights Switch On

This will take place at St John the Baptist Church at 6.30pm on Friday 2nd December

Clerks Report

1. Work to renovate the Parish Council Notice Board on Bourne Road and the timber bus shelters at North Witham, Gunby & Colsterworth is scheduled to start in October.
2. The Clerk is sourcing extra 'No Dog Fouling Signs' to be placed around Colsterworth.

3. FMS Report Speed Limit signs and others obscured by vegetation on B676 Stainby Road resolved due to Cllr Brocklebank's persistence.

4. The Isaac Newton Bench for Woolsthorpe Road has been ordered. Minute ref 31/05/2022 2022.22.

5. The speed signs from Elan City for Woolsthorpe Road and North Witham have been ordered minute ref 31/05/2022 2022.30.

6. Fallen tree on Footpath 17 reported to LCC ROR. Report ref: 1700978 & 1702793. LCC ROW confirmed work is planned.

Correspondence

Council received details of correspondence received across the Parish ranging from, allotment queries, blocked drains, potholes, litter and fly tipping.

Group Reports

Highways & Footpaths Working Group – Speed Signs Project –

The Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) Project plan and risk assessment was circulated to all Cllrs.

Environment & Amenities Working Group - Allotment Inspections

Cllr K Vickers volunteered for the Stamford Road inspection. Date to be confirmed.

Cllr G Henton volunteered for the Woolsthorpe Road inspection. Date to be confirmed.

Planning Applications - SKDC

S22/1692 - Submission of details reserved by Condition 3 (Ground Investigations), 4 (Tree Survey) and 5 (Sustainable Buildings) of S22/0615 Location: Street Record, Woodyard Close, Colsterworth, Lincolnshire, NG33 5JD

S22/1732 - Section 73 application to vary Condition 2 (Approved Plans) of planning permission S22/0615 (Construction of 2-storey detached dwelling and triple garage with studio above) to include the addition of a front porch and an orangery to the rear. Location: Street Record, Woodyard Close, Colsterworth, Lincolnshire, NG33 5JD

S22/1805 - Proposed raised patio and attached rear timber pergola. Location: Beech House, 7A Woodlands Drive, Colsterworth, Lincolnshire, NG33 5NH

SKDC Planning Permission

S22/1323 – Two storey side extension. 23 High Street Colsterworth, Lincolnshire NG33 5NE

SKDC Approval of Reserved Matters

S21/1906 - Reserved matters for appearance, layout, scale and access for the erection of 70 dwellings following Outline permission S18/2379. Location: Land West Off A1 And North Of Bourne Road, Colsterworth

Appeal Withdrawn

S21/1566 App/E2530/W/22/3296180: Woodyard To The Rear Of 13-17 Stamford Road Colsterworth Ng33 5jd - S21/1566 - Appeal Withdrawn By Applicant.

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 7.30pm ON 1st NOVEMBER 2022 AT THE METHODIST CHURCH HALL, BACK LANE, COLSTERWORTH.



NATURE TRAIL FIRE

On Tuesday 11th October 2022 an underground fire was discovered on the Nature Trail at the rear of 54 Woolsthorpe Road. It was necessary to call out the Fire Service who put out the fire using 1,400 litres of water. The cause of the fire was identified as hot ashes being dumped in an area close to large tree roots. The fire destroyed the roots of three large trees causing them to become dangerously unstable. A tree surgeon attended and felled the trees at a cost of £680 to the Parish Council. Thanks to the Nature Trail Ranger and volunteer who initially investigated the report of fire any further fire damage was minimised. The Nature Trail was still very dry from the hot summer it could have been a lot worse!!!

FOCUS

The FOCUS Group has had a successful first meeting of the new Committee and we welcome the Chair and the new team. It is hoped, that in time, Focus will continue its growth and many new members will join us, especially in our Thursday group. We will continue to meet at Woolsthorpe Village Hall, every Monday and Thursday from 10am to 12pm. It is an excellent opportunity for people, from all villages within neighbouring areas, to come along, meet new like-minded people, enjoy coffee, tea and biscuits, and enjoy a chat.

On the 17th October FOCUS started the Knockout competitions once again, where both groups can compete for the FOCUS cup and perhaps even a bottle of wine. Watch this space for the results. Good luck to everyone entering. On Tuesday 11th October we were joined by The Women's Institute for a demonstration of Kurling and to promote our Thursday Kurling Group. Hopefully the ladies enjoyed themselves, which was quite evident from the laughter and smiles emanating from them all. We look forward to hopefully welcoming them to our session. If you know, or belong to a group either locally or in surrounding villages, that would like a demonstration of the game, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be more than happy to oblige.

We are also preparing for our AGM which we sincerely hope will be well attended, as in previous years. Date of the AGM is 10th November 2022 at 12pm following on from Kurling, at Village hall. As we speak Christmas Lunch arrangements are underway at Stoke Rochford Golf Club, which was a huge success last year with many of our members attending. Kurling is a fun game, and as remote from the game played on ice with large stones, brooms and brushes, and has been developed for people of all ages and ranges of ability.

The game is for two teams of two people, who aim to get the biggest score, mostly by knocking the opposing team's discs off of the mat. A lot of fun and banter is a matter of course, and the team with the highest score in excess of 100 points, receives a free week when attending the following week. The fee for joining is a one off of £5, a weekly fee of £2 is collected to contribute towards the cost of the hall hire. Those without transport or full mobility, can, if necessary have a pick-up from a village neighbour or a member of the group.

We would like to see as many of our new residents, from the surrounding villages to come along to try it out.

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Last month in our report and forthcoming meeting, I remarked that our guest speaker Geoff Evans would speak on "The Life of a Racehorse" and saying that he should know his stuff. Well it was true but not quite what I was expecting. It was exactly what it said on the tin. From conception to retirement and all stages in between. Geoff loves horses, ever since he saw his first one at 4 years of age. Having yearned to work with them all through his school life, he got himself a job at Newmarket after leaving school, but found that he could never make the grade as a jockey, although he came 3rd in the Cheltenham Gold Cup. He stuck the mundane jobs, gallops mucking out for a time, hating the early mornings he changed jobs. This time working with another lad, bought a horse and went into the stud business. He illustrated his talk with photos of all stages including one "server" which took just 92 seconds from leaving his stall and return having sired a potential Derby winner. Little wonder that Geoff is able to tour the world on his motorbike with his mates with astronomical fees earned by thousands of pounds stud fees. Gill thanked him for an informative and detailed talk.

We were very nearly a full house, plus one visitor and one new member who visited us last month, and had enjoyed her visit and came back for more. We have been busy since our last report. We joined with five other institutes at the Grantham College hearing a talk by a retired fireman and the escapades he had had in his career, from big fires, his work as a "newbie", rescues and the tragedies. Most entertaining he was.

We are not sure if the group will continue as one institute has folded and one doesn't want to be involved with the organisation of the group but would still like to come to the annual meeting. The committee are to meet to discuss their proposal and if the rest of the group wish to carry on taking their turn without the institute not willing to help.

Another important matter was discussed, consideration to forthcoming nominations for committee more importantly, officers. On a lighter note, a report was given on the visit to the Thursday Kurling Club for a "taster" session. A final call was made for the Belvoir Castle visit and names for Newark Amateur Operatic society "Wizard of Oz" production next spring. Notice was given for a quiz to be held at the White Lion in aid of the charity "Tear Fund". Being a charity ourselves, we have to be careful that we keep within the charity commissioner's rules and regulations, but members can attend as individuals. Arising from a request if men may attend our meetings, if they should like to hear a particular speaker we are having. We checked and find that yes, men may attend, but no more than three times a year, pay the relevant visitors fee plus the charge for refreshments. But they cannot join the organisation as a full member.

Our competitions were judged by our visitor Jackie and resulted with yours truly the winner for an item coloured yellow, a photo frame, runner up was Sandra with a

handcrafted blanket for Lincs. Hospital premature baby unit. Our green fingered winners were Peggy and Shirley with a dahlia and rose respectively. Refreshments were taken "on the hoof" owing to the length of the talk and a busy agenda. Our next "meeting" will be at The White Lion for our 105th Anniversary on the 14th November and members were able to make their choice of menu.

There may be a little business which can't wait until our December meeting on the 13th (a week earlier than our usual third Tuesday of the month) and please note that the lunch is on **Monday** 14th November at 12 for 12 30. There will be **No** business meeting on the 15th November.
Dot Williams



Colsterworth & District Gardeners & Allotment Holders Association

Our October meeting was a presentation by Mo Taylor 'Colsterworth Nature Trail', we are so lucky to have this trail to enjoy on our doorstep, and it was great to hear so much about how it has evolved and the volunteers who give their time so we can enjoy it. The talk was illustrated with plenty of photos of days gone by, when the trail was a working rail line, so we had a very interesting mix of local history, geology, and science.

At Our next Meeting on the 14th November, we welcome, Jim Handley, Head Gardener, From Grimsthorpe Castle, to talk to us about 'progress in the gardens at Grimsthorpe'.

In Nov the monthly members' competition will be "Winter Vegetables". So please bring along your entry on the night.

Future Dates.

14th Nov 2022 – Progress in The Gardens at Grimsthorpe

12th Dec 2022 – AGM / Social Evening & Gardeners' Bingo

15th Jan 2023 – Annual Lunch at the White Lion

13th Feb 2023 – Details TBC

and a very special evening on the

13th March 2023 – TALK BY ADAM FROST of BBC GARDENERS WORLD – Details to follow

We always welcome new members. So please come along to Colsterworth Village Hall at 7.30pm on second Monday in the month. More information can also be found on the "Colsterworth and Garden Club Facebook page".

Rod Young
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NATURAL HISTORY BULLETIN

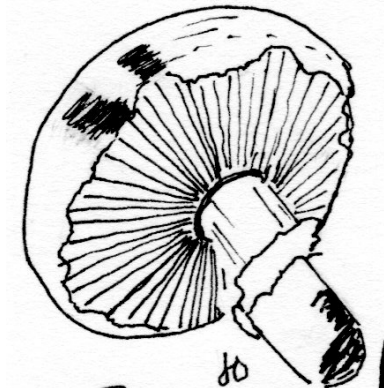
Avian flu locally has meant that any hens have had to be penned in and isolated from wild birds which might be infected. One householder in our parishes commented that the lack of bird visitors, especially wood pigeons and collared doves, meant the hens likely to be less threatened. In another garden it was the numbers of house sparrows causing comments as well as the absence of blackbirds both of which nested earlier in the year. There was just one hedge sparrow seen flying from its roost in the honeysuckle where it had been unsuccessful in rearing young. Only a solitary robin singing in the morning. All this in a garden with plenty of shelter and food including berries left on elder, spindle, rowan and whitebeam. There have been some sightings of interest including an influx of blackbirds, parties of long-tailed tits and a woodpecker at a feeder, but the concern about the lack of garden birds continues.

Now that logs are being brought in for fires there is some interest in the insects they bring in with them – a Wood Wasp with a long ovipositor often mistaken for a sting, a queen of a common wasp disturbed from hibernation, the delicate lacewing attracted to a window. The mild days mean some late sightings of the Red Admiral Butterfly. The new queens of both buff and red-tailed bumble bees are still out collecting nectar to see them through the winter.

The building of new estates in Colsterworth has included on land previously either grassland or woodland. It is perhaps not surprising that gardens are sometimes visited by animals which once called these their home. In October one occupant reported a fox. They had previously had a hare, in neighbouring

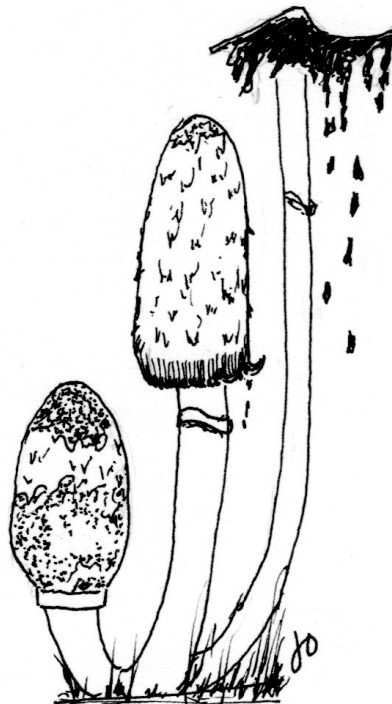
gardens rabbits are returning. Squirrels and Muntjac deer roam far from their woodland habitat. Badgers have setts to the north, east and south of Colsterworth and are found regularly as road casualties. In October several were young ones, having to find their own way in the world.

A Fungus Foray in Twyford Wood on 18th October discovered a good range of species but there were some absences – no Blewitts, Puff Balls or Chalk Caps. Some species are notoriously difficult to identify (beware mistakes made in considering them worth eating). Their Scientific names seem to be going through big changes. Enjoy instead the agreed common names for some of them found at Twyford –



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To Look For in November Who will have the last sightings of any butterflies or dragonflies? Too early for the first bird winter migrants. But I must also add a plea for any records and observations – which have suddenly dropped off, without them there will be little to say – and it is in what you may consider to be too common to be of interest that we are most likely to get an idea of what is happening in our environment. I look forward to hearing from you at **61 Woolsthorpe Road, 860465** e-mail jnostler@hotmail.co.uk
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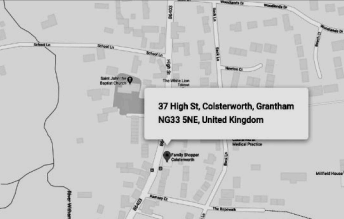
The bracelets can be worn or carried by people living with dementia so, if they get lost, police or members of the public can quickly access details of the next of kin and contact them. These are not trackers, but details can be retrieved simply by placing a mobile phone against the device. If the trial is successful the project could be rolled out across the county. According to figures released by the NHS in January this year there are an estimated 11,800 people in Lincolnshire living with dementia - with 7,200 officially diagnosed.

It is crucial that people living with dementia can get to a place of safety and security, with friends or family, as quickly as possible. These wristbands will help achieve that. The project comes in the wake of Lincolnshire adopting the Herbert Protocol named after war veteran and dementia sufferer George Herbert. The Protocol form includes details about an individual's medication, daily routine and significant places as well as including a description and a photograph.

If you are a carer or relative of someone who is living with dementia and you think a wristband would be of benefit then please email dementiasafeguarding@lincs.police.uk with the name of the person, you are requesting for. Include their date of birth and home address along with the requested name address and contact number and a member of the team will be in touch.

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If you have any Unit, Division, Corps or Single Service plaque then we would love to see them placed on the village military wall.

Any donations to Bob Prentice
This is in support of the Colsterworth Festival of Remembrance (CFoR).

Any questions to David Heath French at davidheathfrench@gmail.com



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Contacts

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In person and live streamed services for November in Colsterworth church:

6 th November	11:00am Holly Communion 6:00pm Service of Contemplation	Blended worship In person only
13 th November	11:00am Remembrance Service	Blended worship
20 th November	11:00am Holy Communion	Blended worship
27 th November	11:00am Holy Communion	Blended worship

The church is OPEN DAILY 10:00am – 4:00pm. Hand sanitiser available.

Please support the Foodbank if you can, there is still a need.

NOVEMBER COFFEE MORNING: TUE 1st NOV. 10:00AM – 12:00, HOSTS Revd. NEIL & LESLEY, THE RECTORY, 13A BACK LANE, COLSTERWORTH

NOVEMBER CHURCH CLEANING: TUE 8th NOV. 10:00AM, WITH COFFEE AND CHAT AFTER, ALL WELCOME

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL IN THE CHURCH IS BACK THIS YEAR – THANKS JACKIE TAYLOR FOR ORGANISING – ANYONE INTERESTED IN TAKING PART PLEASE RING JACKIE 07535 691136 SHE'S WAITING TO HEAR FROM YOU!

For more information on services, or the church, please see social media, our website www.colsterworth5.org.uk or contact Revd Neil, or the Church Warden.

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Stopping by Colsterworth Bowls Club

Mon 0900 - 1100	Contact Andy on 01778 570221
Tue 0900 - 1000	
Wed 1045 - 1545	
Thu 0900 - 1100	
Fri 0900 - 1030	

**NOVEMBER OPENING TIMES
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Sunday 20th Nov 1500 - 1700
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COLSTERWORTH METHODIST CHURCH

November 2022

Our services will be in the church, however we will also be zooming at least 2 services a month from the building internet permitting. If you are interested in joining our services by zoom, please email helenscorror@outlook.com or phone 01476 860126 for more details.

Our services for November are:

Date	Time	Service	Preacher	Flowers
6th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Tony Charles	Gill Senescall
13th	10:45am	Remembrance Service – 10.45a.m. at War Memorial followed by service in Parish Church led by Rev'd Neil Griffiths and Rev'd Neil Maynard		
20th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Lynne Barnes	Wendy Walsh
27th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Geoff Cawthorn	Advent Candles

Open Door Lunch – Wednesday 9th & 23rd November 12 Noon – 1:30am.

During the Winter months we will be opening over lunchtime and serving soup and a roll plus either a hot pudding or cake plus of course offering lots of chat. We welcome people of all and no faith to join us and of all ages. Our book and jigsaw library will be available for you to browse and borrow from.

Games/Craft & Chat Group – Wednesday 2nd & 16th November – 2:00-3:30pm.

Bring your own craft along and join our group for a cuppa, a chat and maybe an opportunity to learn new skills. Or alternatively come and have a chat over a game of dominoes. Everyone welcome.

Hall Hire – Our Church Hall is now reopen and is available to hire for meetings, children's parties, fitness classes, etc. Please contact Helen Scroror on 01476 860126 for more details.

Villages Diary November 2022

Tue 1st	10am-12	Coffee Morning	The Rectory, 13A Back Lane
Wed 2nd	2-3:30pm	Craft & Chat	Methodist Church Hall
Wed 9th	12 noon-1:30pm	Open Door Lunch	Methodist Church Hall
Mon 14th	12 for 12:30pm	WI Lunch	The White Lion
	7:30pm	Garden Club	Colsterworth Village Hall
Wed 16th	2-3:30pm	Craft & Chat	Methodist Church Hall
Fri 18th	12:45-13:15	Mobile Library	Colster Way
Wed 23rd	12 noon -1:30pm	Open Door	Methodist Church Hall

Weekly

Mondays	10am-noon	Kurling	Village Hall
	7:15pm	Bell Ringers	Church
Tuesdays	6pm-7pm	Yoga	Methodist Church
	6pm-7:30pm	Cubs (Term time)	Village Hall
	5:45pm-6:45pm	Beavers (Term time)	Village Hall
Wednesdays	10am-11:30am	Open Door (2 nd & 4 th Weeks)	Methodist Church
Thursdays	10am-noon	Kurling	Village Hall
	7pm-8:30pm	Scouts (Term time)	Village Hall
Fridays	9:30am-11:30am	Parent & Toddler Group (Term time)	Village Hall
	7:30pm-9:30pm	Weekly Bingo	Sports & Social Club
Saturdays	10am-12noon	Football Coaching	Sports Field

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