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

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Colsterworth & District Parish Council

COLSTERWORTH
Festival of Remembrance

War Memorial Restoration Project Update March 2024

At the Parish Council meeting on 5th March 2024, the Parish Council accepted a grant offer from FCC Communities to cover the costs of the War Memorial Restoration subject to additional funds being raised by CFoR.

In addition to the £3,000 already paid to the Parish Council for the Project from our restoration campaign in 2023, a further contribution of £1,407.35 was made to the Parish Council due to a generous donation from

Albert White at the A1 Truckstop and a payment from the Co-op Local Community Fund who has nominated CFoR as its Local Cause for 2024.

Donations are still being accepted to cover other additional costs including the maintenance of the War Memorial gardens.

CFoR Co-Founders Captain David Heath-French RAMC and Debi Heath-French were delighted that all the hard work and support for the Project has been achieved and that our beloved War Memorial will be restored.

"This would not have been possible without the input of ex-Parish Councillor Terry Neale and the partnership forged between CFoR and the Parish Council. We must also acknowledge the work of the CFoR Committee and members, particularly Jackie Taylor, Caroline Hainsworth and Hattie McShane-Smith, and all the generous individual donations, volunteers, local businesses and residents and visitors who gave so much support."

CFoR's aspiration is for the War Memorial to be restored by 6th June 2024, the 80th Anniversary of D-Day. The Armistice Parade will be on Sunday 10th November 2024



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Race Night

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Parish Council Report

Parish Clerk - 01476 861888
clerk@colsterworthanddistpc.co.uk

Your headlines from the Parish Council (PC) Meeting 5th March 2024

Full minutes and reports are available on the Colsterworth and District Website

(Search "Colsterworth and District Parish Council" and find the agendas and minutes under "Council Business":

Council business – Colsterworth and District Parish Council (lincolnshire.gov.uk)

PUBLIC FORUM:

Chairperson Cllr C Hainsworth welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated as there were no persons present for the public session to move straight to the business of the meeting.

CHAIR'S REMARKS:

Chairperson Cllr C Hainsworth had no remarks other than to mention that the next meeting will be after the clocks have moved forward.

Lincolnshire County Council and South Kesteven District Councillors Report.

SKDC Cllrs D Bellamy and B Green sent their apologies and sent the report below on issues raised at the previous meeting and ongoing issues which was read out by the Clerk.

A151/ A1 Flyover Embankment Litter:

The Council at their last meeting set aside a budget of 60K to start cleaning the A1 verge. To do all the A1 in our area would be considerably more but they hope this will be an ongoing process and money set aside annually. They asked that the A151 flyover area is covered in this cleanup as the litter there is directly connected to vehicles coming on and off the A1 to the nearby facilities.

Local Plan Review:

The LINKS below is to the Local Plan Review documentation and consultation. Two virtual meetings are being arranged and they advise that Cllrs take part in these. Suggesting a conversation should be had on whether the proposed new allocation site on Bourne Road is the preferred site for the PC? Link to the Local Plan Review: www.southkesteven.gov.uk/localplanreview

LCC Cllr C Vernon Report:

Cllr C Vernon arrived at 7.45pm in time to give their report:

1. The consultation on Devolution has closed.
2. Lincolnshire Council Tax has increased by 4.99%.
3. Refuse bins are not a County responsibility, but they are aware that SKDC are working to resolve the recent confusion regarding the recycling bins.
4. Highways issues Colsterworth They contacted the Highways Manager again on 5th March 2024 and await a reply.
5. Flooding on the Woolsthorpe slip road to the A1 is being investigated.

Updates for Council administration

Resolved to renew the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils Membership subscription of £474.40 excl vat.
Resolved to renew the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils (LALC) annual training scheme membership at £180 incl vat.

The following policies were renewed: -

CAD Financial Regulations. Procurement thresholds updated.

Marking the death of a Senior National Figure Protocol: No changes.

Neighbourhood Plan Review Update:

This is work in progress.

Finance: Accounts for payment were approved by Council.

Highways & Footpaths Working Group Report circulated.

The Clerk confirmed that the Vehicle Activated signs (Minute ref February 2023.154) had been delivered and the PC was awaiting installation of the supporting posts by LCC Highways

Environment & Amenities Working Group Report:

War Memorial Project update (S Grant – Clerk) Update to Cllrs circulated.

Resolved to accept the revised FCC Environment Grant offer of up to £29,026.48.

A short discussion took place and Vice Chairperson E O'Neil invited Caroline Hainsworth, a representative of Colsterworth Festival of Remembrance, to speak giving an update on CFoR fund raising activities to date. Full details can be found on the Parish Council website under Council Business Agendas & Minutes.

Allotments:

The Clerk thanked Cllr J Clark for being present at the allotment inspection on Saturday morning 3rd March 2024. It was noted that in general the allotments were fair to good considering the recent wet and stormy weather. Those not so good will be contacted. The Clerk will offer any vacant allotments to those on the waiting list.

Agreed to monitor the hedge along the access track on the Stamford Road allotments and establish boundary responsibilities in line with the lease agreement between the PC and Lincoln Diocese.

Nature Trail:

The volunteers continue to clear ivy from the base of the trees behind Woolsthorpe play area. The volunteers have been busy making safe fallen trees after the recent storms.

Clerks Report & day to day business:

1. LCC Highways confirmed that action is scheduled for the blocked drain outside number 2, Ramsey Court, Colsterworth.
2. War Memorial Project. All additional information forwarded to FCC Communities for the Grant offer.
3. Report of tree roots lifting the church path at St Nicholas Church, Gunby. Report made to FMS Ref 493467. 21/02/2024 Highways reported that they are not responsible for the footpath. Enquiries made with Lincoln Diocese.
4. The faulty defibrillator battery for the defibrillator outside the Village Hall purchased in January 2024 has been replaced by the supplier at no cost to the Parish Council. Report Ref 491108. Action is scheduled.
5. Updates from LCC ROW Reports: -
Colsterworth Public Footpath No 16 - Some weld mesh will be added to the gate to deter the horses from chewing.
Colsterworth Public Footpath No 17 - The step on this path will be replaced.
6. The Colsterworth PTFA have advised that the old shed has been taken down and the new one is expected to be installed in March 2024 to be used to store pre-loved uniforms. £500 Grant awarded by the Parish Council Agenda item 2023.108.

7. The brown Woolsthorpe Manor sign opposite Old Post Lane Junction Woolsthorpe Road has been reported to LCC Highways.

8. Large tyres on Bull Lane, North Witham reported to SKDC. Report ref 2726641.

9. Fallen tree on the grass verge Northern Close, North Witham reported to FMS. Ref 497269. Work has been scheduled by highways.

Correspondence received:

Council received details of correspondence received relating to speeding vehicles, lack of police presence, fly tipping and potholes.

Planning Applications:

Consultation on the Draft Local Plan is due to start on Thursday 29th February 2024. South Kesteven District Council will be consulting on the Regulation 18 Draft Local Plan from Thursday 29th February to 11:59pm Thursday 25th April 2024. The Draft Local Plan and supporting documents will be available to view on the Council's website – www.southkesteven.gov.uk/localplanreview S23/2309 - Demolition of existing outbuilding and construction of new annex

Home Farm House, 57 High Street, Colsterworth, Lincolnshire, NG33 5HZ. App Type: Listed Building Consent

S23/2316 - Retrospective application for the demolition of a storage warehouse and ancillary office buildings, and use of the site for open storage (Use Class B8). | Abacus Coaches Great North Road South Witham NG33 5LN. SKDC Planning Permission

S23/1913 - Retrospective erection of gym/home office, Location: Chapel House 51 High Street, Colsterworth Lincolnshire NG33 5HZ

S23/2359 - Section 211 notice in relation to G1 - crown raise row of sycamore that overhang bonfire area to around 6m AGL. Axholme Barns 51A Newton Way, Woolsthorpe By Colsterworth Lincolnshire NG33 5NP

S24/0076 - Section 211 notice in relation to a Apple Tree - to carry out horticultural prune, focusing on dead, broken, rubbing, crossing, diseased branches and to thin the crown by 25%. 22 Newton Way Woolsthorpe By Colsterworth, Lincolnshire NG33 5NR

S23/1535 - Proposed two storey extension, single storey extension to rear and front porch to existing dwelling. .5 Stamford Road Colsterworth, Lincolnshire NG33 5JD.

SKDC Withdrawal of Permitted Planning Application:

S23/1571 - Construction of 2 dwellings and demolition of agricultural buildings. Twyford Farm Honey Pot Lane, Colsterworth Lincolnshire NG33 5LT.

Matters requiring attention:

Cllr M Childs advised that they would be reporting a damaged streetlight on School Lane to SKDC Street Lighting Department.

Cllr J Clark reported damage to the grass verge in North Witham by a DPD delivery vehicle regularly parking on a grass verge. The Clerk to write a letter to DPD head office including photos of the damaged verge.

Date of next Parish Council Meeting

Date of the next Parish Council meeting is Tuesday 9th April 2024, Methodist Church Hall, Back Lane, Colsterworth.

Draft Local Plan (2021-2041)

SKDC are seeking your comments on the Draft Local Plan (2021-2041), along with supporting documents.

South Kesteven District Council will be consulting on the Regulation 18 Draft Local Plan from Thursday 29th February to 11:59pm Thursday 25th April 2024.

This consultation is the second opportunity to get involved with the preparation of the new Local Plan and seeks to consult the public and stakeholders on the district's development need, site allocations, proposed changes to the plan, and prepared evidence base documents.

The Council is also producing a Design Code for the District.

The aim of the Code is to improve the design quality of new development. If you would like to get involved, please visit

www.southkesteven.gov.uk/designcode

How to View the Draft Local Plan

The Draft Local Plan and supporting documents will be available to view on the Council's website –

www.southkesteven.gov.uk/localplanreview

Reference copies of the Draft Local Plan will be available to view at the following addresses

- Customer Service desk at Grantham Guildhall Arts Centre, St Peter's Hill, Grantham, NG31 6PZ [Monday – Friday 9am – 1pm]
- South Kesteven Community Point & Library, 3 Abbey Road, Bourne, PE10 9EF [Monday 9am-5pm, Wednesday 9am-6pm, Friday 9am-1pm, Saturday 9am-1pm]
- At libraries in Grantham, Stamford, Market Deeping, and Bourne during normal opening hours.

If you wish to comment on the Draft Local Plan and supporting documents, please ensure that comments are received by the Council by 11:59pm Thursday 25th April 2024.

For more about the Local Plan review visit the below webpage.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

A mild winter's day with a gentle breeze and a welcome burst of sunshine. The perfect sort of day for the February meeting of Colsterworth WI. The first Open Meeting of the year.

It was gratifying to see how many people had taken advantage of the invitation to listen to our speaker and enjoy an afternoon of WI hospitality. As they looked around the room, the tea hostesses cast an anxious glance at the laden table. Would there be enough? Of course there was, there always is. Enough and more besides. Satisfied, they set out more cups and saucers

At 2pm the bell rang, we were off. Our President, Vanessa, warmly welcomed our visitors, then introduced the speaker Mr Andrew Brown, whose subject was 'The History of the High Sheriff of Rutland'. Andrew briefly gave some details about himself. He farms in Caldicott on the Rutland/Northants border, he is a serving JP, an independent councillor and the present Chair of Rutland County Council. He has served as High Sheriff of Rutland twice. The office of High Sheriff is a direct appointment of the Sovereign. It is the oldest Royal appointment in the country.

Andrew was an entertaining and engaging speaker with that rare knack of telling a story about himself without appearing to be front and centre of the tale. Like the time he was assembling the uniform necessary for the Office. A uniform which is based on 18th century Court dress. His trip into Boots in Oakham to buy black tights was tortuous. As were his travails in his bathtub as he attempted to shave his legs prior to donning said black tights, so when he wore them he didn't look like something out of a horror movie. One of his duties involved entertaining a High Court Judge. When the Judge's office rang to ask if it was necessary to dress for dinner, Andrew and his wife decided they needed to go out and buy some matching crockery! Interspersed with all his wonderful anecdotes (I've left out the one with Prince Philip) he told of the history and development of the role. From

the first written mention in AD 690 through to the more ceremonial role of today.

The High Sheriff originally was the principal administrator of tax collectors and was responsible for delivering them to the Court of the Exchequer in London. Money was counted on a chequerboard table which is from where we get the title of Chancellor of the Exchequer today. Andrew spoke of the honour and the privilege of serving as a modern High Sheriff. During his tenure he visited every school in Rutland, he met with fire, ambulance and police personnel. He supported many charities and attended over 250 functions. We were left with impression of a man who was deeply honoured to have served as High Sheriff and was proud of the part he had played in the ceremony and pageantry of our country. After a vote of thanks by June he sat down to applause and smiles all round.

Time for tea. During the break, members and visitors chatted together, votes were cast for the Flower of the Month competition (our speaker had already judged 'a purple item' competition) and the hostesses Sue, Sandra and Rosemarie were kept busy filling up the tea cups.

Vanessa called us back together for the last part of the meeting, the business of the day. She briefly mentioned various trips and activities on offer. An opportunity to hear Prof. Jonathan van Tam speak in Spalding, a theatre trip, an introduction to croquet and a quiz afternoon amongst others. Details of all these activities are displayed on the noticeboard for members to decide whether they are interested.

The competition winners were announced. The purple item was won by Shirley with a fabulous purple feather arrangement and 2nd was Brenda with a pot of beetroot. Flower of the month was won by Rosemarie with Brenda coming second. As 4pm approached, Vanessa thanked our visitors once more and closed the meeting.

If you are interested in coming along to our next meeting, our Speaker is Chris Carr, "What the Romans did for us in the kitchen" with a cookery demonstration. The meeting is on Tuesday, 16th April at the sports and Social Club, beginning at 2pm. You will be most welcome.

Colsterworth Women's Institute

THANK YOU TO THE SOCIAL CLUB COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND THANK YOU TO THE VOLUNTEERS WHO ATTENDED THE DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING COURSE ON TUESDAY 27th FEBRUARY 2024.



The Parish Council wishes to thank the Social Club Committee Members for allowing use of their function room free of charge for the Defibrillator Training course run by LeisureSK on Tuesday 27th February 2024 and also the volunteers who attended the training course. A comment received from one of the attendees, 'It was worthwhile to attend. The trainers were brilliant, able to communicate really well and bring some humour to what could be (and is) a very serious subject. Also, the visuals and equipment were first class. Thank you again.'

Garage Sale

Saturday 27th April
10am – 3pm

Ingle House, Back Lane, Colsterworth

Books, DVDs, candles, photo frames, paintings, ornaments, Coalport figurines, Cherished Teddies, toys, furniture items and much more!



Cake & a Cuppa Afternoon



Saturday 20th April

2 – 4 pm

At Colsterworth Methodist Church Hall

Cakes – Plants – Books - Jigsaws
Bric-a-brac

In aid of
Northumberland National Park Mountain Rescue
and Colsterworth Methodist Church

(Helen is walking St Cuthbert's Way in May to raise funds for Northumberland National Park Mountain Rescue who assisted with the rescue of her daughter Emma after a bouldering accident. This event will raise funds for this charity and for our Methodist Church so we can continue to offer weekly social events for the community).

All Welcome

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NATURAL HISTORY BULLETIN

A number of members of the Buttercup family flower early and have been regarded a "heralds of Spring". Examples are Aconites, Lesser Celandine, Wood Anemone and Marsh Marigolds or Kingcups. The last named is one of our most ancient native plants, having survived the glaciation of the Ice Ages. As its name suggests it is a plant of wet places. With the drainage of grass fields it is more likely to be seen locally in ponds. In recent years the plant, also called 'May Blobs', has flowered early. This year records sent in the second week in February were the earliest yet. They brought thee brightness of their golden yellow flowers and their shining leaves (b).



Another member of the same family, which is more likely to be recognised as a Buttercup is called Goldilocks. Found in a hedge it indicates the presence of woodland. Instead of always having five yellow petals - it seems to have not quite made up its mind. It may have anything from one to five and they may be of different sizes (a). It is a scarcer plant and it too may be found earlier in March. By the second week in March the hedgerows were brightened up with daffodils alongside snowdrops, which in the shade were not yet over. Catkins of Alder and Hazel were beginning to shrivel but Pussy Willow was at it blossomy best, shedding clouds of pollen when the sun came out. The first blackthorn in flower was on the Nature Trail and on Stamford Road. That on Old Post Lane is always later to flower. Primroses continued to flower after some first appearing in January and by the second week of March some early Cowslips were out. Brimstone Butterflies were seen in a few gardens on the few sunny days in February but are slower to on the whole this year than in 2003. It is Queen Bumble Bees which have provided interest since the beginning of the year. Of the seven species found in our gardens just the Common Carder still to come with its distinctive ginger thorax. The Buff-tailed Bumblebee is one of the first to emerge and will continue to feed on nectar going backwards and forwards to its underground nest before retiring below having completed pollen stores ready for the next generation. The smaller workers will be about in April and Males and new Queens in May ready for a second generation. In March Mason Bees were out in sunshine, some having emerge, not from crevices in stonework, but from Bee Hotels, provided for them. In several gardens large numbers of them foraging were observed. Honey Bees, now needed more than ever were back in some gardens. Other insect observations were of Seven Spot Ladybirds emerging from shrubs where they had overwintered and Queen wasps seen at windows and, given the chance inside.

Frog spawn back in ponds, some by the first week in February, newer garden ponds first, having been quick to establish populations, but some older ponds finding no spawn laid this year. A video of mating frogs, amongst floating spawn with the croaking sound in time to the inflated pouches of the males. Siskins seen in several gardens where they have not been seen before. There have been report from various sites in Lincolnshire of large numbers coming in. A flash of bright blue, a brief sighting of a Kingfisher to the North of Colsterworth where the banksides are suitable on the River Witham and the flow of water slower. Greater Spotted Woodpeckers continue to be regular feeders in some gardens. Rooks building nests and Blue Tits exploring sites in gardens, together with the first Spring songs were all signs of spring by mid-March. A useful note sent in on identifying Roe Deer when only a quick glimpse in car headlights is seen. The photo taken shows clearly the white rump not found in Muntjak.



TO LOOK FOR NEXT MONTH Two species we have few records of are toads and lizards so any sightings most welcome. Migrant birds include the Warblers difficult to identify these little brown jobs except by the song. The first to arrive is the Chiffchaff, named by its call. Like the Blackcap it can overwinter with us. The true sound of spring is the Willow Warbler with its sweet descending notes, with an almost melancholy sound. For many this epitomises Spring. I look forward to your observations at 61 Woolsthorpe Road, 860465, e-mail jnostler@hotmail.co.uk
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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Tuesday 23rd April 2024
7:30 pm

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AGENDA

1. Introduction and welcome
2. To Approve the Minutes of meeting held Thursday 23rd May 2023
3. Chairman's Annual Report
4. Clerk's Financial Report
5. Colsterworth Festival of Remembrance update by David Heath-French.
6. Nature Trail update by Mo Taylor
7. Update from Colsterworth PTFA
8. Update from Colsterworth Youth Club
9. Update from the Frederick Ingle Charity
10. Update from Colsterworth and District and Allotment Holders Association.
11. Any Motions by Electors (must be proposed 10 days before the Annual Parish Meeting)
12. Any other business

Close.

The Parish Meeting is an opportunity for parishioners on the Electoral Roll for Colsterworth and District to raise any matters of concern to them that relates to their local community.

For any queries, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council (Sue Grant, Tel: 01476 861888 Email: clerk@colsterworthanddistpc.co.uk)

All presentations/reports are subject to confirmation.

The order in which the presentations/reports are to be given is subject to change.



Sue Grant
Parish Clerk

Email: clerk@colsterworthanddistpc.co.uk

Tel: 01476 861888

Temporary traffic restriction: Colsterworth

Please note it will be necessary to impose a temporary restriction as detailed below.

Organisation responsible for restriction: Lincolnshire County Council
Reason for restriction: Carriageway repairs

Nature and location of restriction:
Road closure Order - B676 Bourne Road (Between Bourne Road Estate & A151)

Period of restriction:
02/04/2024 - 03/04/2024 - 20:00
2/4/2024 to 06:00 3/4/2024

(Restrictions to be implemented for 2 days as and when required during this period, signage detailing accurate dates and times will be displayed on site in advance)

Road closure Order - A151 Bourne Road (Between A1 Services Entrance & the Roundabout 50m East). Period of restriction: 05/04/2024 - 06/04/2024
20:00 05/04/2024 to 06:00 06/04/2024

(Restrictions to be implemented for 1 day as and when required during this period, signage detailing accurate dates and times will be displayed on site in advance)

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Colsterworth & District Gardeners & Allotment Holders Association



At the Feb meeting, Steve Lovell from Greenspaces gave us a presentation - Lincolnshire Wildlife A Naturalists Paradise, where he took us on a virtual tour around the county, along the coast, then the interior particularly the numerous old gravel pits and finally in the city/towns. The wildlife photos shown had been taken by Steve himself.

The monthly competition was Vase of Herbs, 1st Joe, 2nd Vicky & 3rd Rod.

Future Dates:

8th April 2024

Rod Young - Considerations for Protecting Archaeology, and Flora and Fauna on a Construction Site.
Competition: Interesting found object found on a walk, beach or dug up from the garden.

13th May 2024

TBA

10th June 2024

Club Outing - TBA

8th July 2024

Hannah Sylvester - The Medicine Chest in Your Back Garden.

Competition: Vase of Herbs (don't have to be home grown)

August

No Monday Evening Meeting in Aug

24th Aug 2024

Annual Horticultural & Craft Show - Saturday at the Colsterworth Village Hall

We always welcome visitors & new members. So please come along to Colsterworth Village Hall at 7.30pm on second Monday in the month. Its £35 to become a member for a full calendar year (pro rata for part year), or £5 for a visitor. This includes entry and a raffle ticket for the raffle, also refreshments of tea/coffee & cake.

More information can also be found on the "Colsterworth and Garden Club Facebook page".

Rod Young
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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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Services for April at Colsterworth church unless otherwise stated.

7th April 09:30am Group Holy Communion Revd Dr Anna Sorensen
at Skillington
14th April 11:00am Morning Prayer Steve Potts Reader
21st April 11:00am Holy Communion Revd Dr Anna Sorensen
28th April 11:00am Morning Prayer Peter Wheatley
Churchwarden

OTHER EVENTS

**CHURCH CLEANING: TUE 9TH APRIL 9:30AM, COFFEE & CHAT
AFTER.**

**COFFEE MORNINGS 10:00-12:00 TUE 2ND APRIL- HOSTS: CAROL &
PETER WHEATLEY, 29 HIGH STREET COLSTERWORTH
TUE 7TH MAY- HOST: ARTHUR MARSHALL, 10 MEADOW CLOSE, COLS.**

OPEN DAILY 10:00am – 4:00pm for visitors, contemplation & Foodbank donations.

The Foodbank box is in the porch. Current shortages: Tinned Fruit, Jars of
Pasta Sauce, Pot Noodles, Breakfast Cereals, Bottles of Squash, Biscuits &
Dogfood, thank you.

We are without a resident vicar and our services are led by visiting clergy or lay
volunteers, with tea, coffee and biscuits after each service. Baptism, Wedding or
Funeral Services can be arranged, please contact Peter, Churchwarden.

For more information on services, or the church,
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**COLSTERWORTH METHODIST CHURCH
April 2024**

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.

Date	Time	Service	Preacher	Flowers
7 th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Worship Leaders	Gill Dexter
14 th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Rowena Ward-Barrow	Gill Senescall
21 st	10:30am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Ray Hinch	Helen Scorrer
28 th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Elaine Robinson	Lynn Lewis

Open Door Lunch – Wednesday 10th & 24th April 11:45am – 1:30pm.

We will be serving filled rolls with 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 3rd & 17th April – 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 Scorrer on 01476 860126 for more details.

Saturday 20th April – 2pm to 4pm – Cake and a Cuppa Fundraiser

In aid of Northumberland National Park Mountain Rescue and Colsterworth Methodist Church.

Villages Diary April 2024

Tue 2 nd	10am - 12pm	Coffee Morning	29, High St, Colsterworth
Wed 3 rd	2-3:30pm	Games/Craft & Chat	Methodist Church Hall
Mon 8 th	7:30pm	Garden Club	Colsterworth Village Hall
Tue 9 th	7:30pm	Parish Council	Methodist Church Hall
Wed 10 th	11:45-1:30pm	Open Door Lunch	Methodist Church Hall
Tue 16 th	2pm	Women's Institute	Sports & Social Club
Wed 17 th	2-3:30pm	Games/Craft & Chat	Methodist Church Hall
Wed 24 th	11:45-1:30pm	Open Door Lunch	Methodist Church Hall
Thu 25 th	12-12:30pm	Mobile Library	Colster Way

Weekly

Mondays	10am-noon	FOCUS Kurling	Village Hall
	7:15pm	Bell Ringers	Church
Tuesdays	6pm-7pm	Yoga	Methodist Church
	6pm-7:30pm	Cubs (Term time)	Village Hall
Wednesdays	11:45am -1:30pm	Open Door (2 nd & 4 th Weeks)	Methodist Church
	2pm-3:30pm	Craft & Chat (1 st & 3 rd Weeks)	Methodist Church
Thursdays	10am-noon	Rolling Stones Kurling	Village Hall
	7pm-8:30pm	Scouts (Term time)	Village Hall
	5:45pm-6:45pm	Beavers (Term time)	Village Hall
Fridays	7:30pm-9:30pm	Weekly Bingo	Sports & Social Club
Saturdays	10am-12noon	Football Coaching	Sports Field

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