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# The Future of Warsop Town Hall

## Residents of Warsop Parish - your views matter.

**Warsop Parish Council are consulting residents on the future of the Town Hall after a building survey reveals over £200k maintenance costs are required within the next few years.**

Over previous years the upkeep bill for the Town Hall has been covered within the precept payments made to the Parish Council by its residents, (see page 2 for all Parish council costs and budget breakdowns). The Parish Council are a Local Government Authority that's here for you, fighting for a fair share of services in our parish. Its members believe in transparency, honesty and being financially responsible with public money. To do this, they need your views.

During the last 4 years the Parish council has spent over £67,000, in a bid to maintain the Town Hall to a workable standard. Works carried out have included installation of a new heating system, tiled roof works, new entry doors, cellar works, clock maintenance, re-plastering of clock room and so much more, but unfortunately these works have only scratched the surface and in some cases, they have simply 'papered the cracks'.

Last year in accordance with the council's financial regulations the councillors agreed that a plan was required to get on top of the Town Hall maintenance, and the only way to do this was to instruct a building surveyor to highlight what essential work is required to be done and an indicative time scale. The building survey was completed by an independent company with no

vested interest in the Parish Council or the Town Hall. The report shows a true indication of the condition of the building and an honest guide as to where to start the maintenance schedule. (A copy of the required maintenance stated within the building survey has been included for your reference).

The report shows £214,000 in work is required to simply maintain the building, on top of the outstanding fire risk and remedial works costs - that amount could rise towards a quarter of a million pounds worth of work to be carried out. Last year, Parish Council staff made efforts to seek funding through the Big Lottery Fund and the Heritage Fund but hit a brick wall at the first stage of the enquiry due to the Town Hall not meeting certain criteria's: it is not a listed building, it has little significant heritage importance, the rooms are hired out, it houses council offices and private businesses and that it is not considered a big enough community asset. The staff however, enquired again later last year, to check if the criteria had changed, but unfortunately all funding for both funds have been paused due to the huge impact of Covid.

The council's current financial position is, that, with regret, they simply cannot afford the

maintenance costs without successful funding bids, making increases in rent, and/or, potentially charging the people of the parish more through the Parish Precept. This is your money, and you should have a say - to be clear, the Parish Council does not want to increase your precept unnecessarily. Its members have debated within the council chamber over the past couple of years upon whether or not to increase the precept and the majority has won, for the people - against any increases.

This 4 page pull out (page 1,2,23,24) is designed to give you an unbiased view on what your contribution to the Parish Council element of your council tax is spent on. It will give you everything that you will need to make your informed opinion on how the Parish Council can move forward with the community interest at the forefront of any final decision.

### A DECISION NOT TO BE MADE LIGHTLY

The future of the Town Hall is a difficult decision; some of our residents have very different views, some have a real passion to keep the building. Others do not, and there will be a few out there who just don't really know! You may be thinking - what will happen to the Town Hall and its services

if the people choose to say, 'get rid of it, spend our money on other things' or 'we love it find a way to invest in it!' The outcome is unknown and any suggestions made at this point are purely hypothetical. There are so many questions that you will want to ask: what could the money which we currently spend on the Town Hall be used for? Are there better services to offer? Where will the Parish Council go? What state is the Town Hall actually in? How can I help? and, what are the alternatives?

These are just a few and whilst nobody knows the concrete answer to most of these questions, the information included will help you to know the facts, explore some options and create your own vision of the Parish that you deserve and that you can be proud of. We already have so much to be grateful for in our area, from the Green Flag awarded Carrs Park to the amazing community spirit that we have all demonstrated during lock down - supporting our neighbours and pulling out all the stops to celebrate our armed forces on VE Day under Covid restrictions! Our parish is loved by many and we deserve it to be the best that it can be - together, bit by bit, step by step, decision by decision - we can make it happen & your thoughts really do count. *Continued on page 2.*



# Overview of the Town Hall and its Services

**Since 1933, Warsop Town Hall has stood proud on the corner of Church Street, its prominent location allows the building to be a focal point for, not only, locals and visitors of the town centre, but to passing traffic of the well-utilised A60.**

The Town Hall is a civic building which has served many different purposes over the years, it has housed a Library, Council Chambers, welfare clinic and Urban, District & County Council offices, more recently being the home to Warsop Parish Council, the local policing team & neighbourhood wardens, Vibrant Warsop, MDC housing surgery, Royal British legion, Warsop Infotech group, Citizens Advice Bureau & local business - Ferocious dog.

## Warsop Parish Council

Warsop Parish Council to this day is run with up to 12 members; they work to represent the interests of the whole community to ensure that Warsop Parish gets its fair share of services & they will continue to do so while ever the Parish Council exists. Some of the councillors sit on various committees helping to pull the community together. The Council holds 10 meetings per year which the public are invited to.

The Town Hall was purchased in 2011 on a ninety-nine year lease from the district council for £1.00, under the stipulations that the Parish Council maintain the building or sell it back to the district for the fee of £1.00. Negotiations are underway for the Parish Council to be the sole owner. Subject to the outcome of these negotiations with MDC - any monies from the sale of the Town Hall could be invested in any viable property/new build in any location within the Parish or the council could borrow against the Town Hall to cover some of the costs for repair works. However, the current valuation is far less than the costs of repairs required. The Parish Council owns the High Street car park located at the side of the library and are proud to offer free car parking in our town centre. It is responsible for the closed church yard at St Peters & St Pauls church also.

The Parish Council is non-political and works solely for the good of the community. It pays for a weekly Citizens Advice Bureau drop in at the Town Hall and has negotiated with the Mansfield District Council for them to provide a housing surgery that is held in the Town Hall every other week. Both services are currently closed due to the pandemic, but the hope is to get them up and running again later in the year if Covid restrictions allow.

There is a yearly budget of £8000 to fund local groups & organisations; this fund has contributed annually to Warsop Carnival & in previous years has helped support local initiatives such as, Warsop in Bloom, Hett's Lane Holiday Club, DUWC, Warsop Youth Club plus many more. More recently they have provided some support & funding to - Warsop CAR who have helped those in need during the Covid Pandemic.

Along with the day to day running, financial, legal and administration duties of the Parish Council the Clerk and Assistant Clerk work together with designers and outside organisations to produce the quarterly publication of Warsop Parish News which is delivered to approximately 6000 households and, subsidised by the Parish Council, via the precept.

A budget of all the Parish Council's income and expenditure can be found on this page .

## Police and Neighbourhood Wardens

The local police and wardens team hire 2 offices within the Town Hall, the offices are intended to be a base for admin duties and for the policing team to be local when on shift. The Town Hall is not a drop-in police station. When 101 or 999 is not required, contact numbers for our local policing and warden's team are featured within Warsop Parish News and on the Warsop Parish Council website. The Parish Council will work hard to maintain a police presence in the Parish.

## Vibrant Warsop

Hire office space within the Town Hall. Vibrant Warsop CIC are a resident led, not for profit, Community Interest Company dedicated to Warsop Parish, aiming to add value to all the work that is already happening in the parish and 'energise community spirit' to ensure that Warsop is successful, thriving and locally run.

## RBL

Royal British Legion holds a monthly drop in morning at the Town Hall which is supported by many ex-service men & women, The RBL group leave a donation for using the Town Hall facilities.

## Warsop Infotech Group

Warsop Infotech is a voluntary group who hire a large proportion of the ground floor at the Town hall, they aim to provide support to all who want to develop their computing skills.

The group plays an important role in identifying training needs within the local community and liaising with training providers to bring educational courses to Warsop. Our residents can learn new skills and gain qualifications (charges may apply).

## Ferocious Dog

Privately run local business, hiring space within the Town Hall.



Warsop's new Town Hall at it's opening in 1933.

EXPENDITURE	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
<b>TOWN HALL</b>				
Business Rates	£10,561.25	£8,534.00	£10,320.00	£10,523.94
Gas	£3,840.62	£4,002.46	£6,209.65	£7,306.77
Electric	£3,042.25	£3,538.10	£4,444.60	£4,836.27
Water Rates	£604.02	£648.13	£402.11	£636.63
Phones				
& Broadband	£1,790.97	£1,554.05	£1,367.28	£1,308.13
Trade Waste	£544.96	£560.04	£585.26	£607.07
Maintenance & Services	£15,943.14	£25,068.61	£11,990.93	£14,223.08
	<b>£36,327.21</b>	<b>£43,905.39</b>	<b>£35,319.83</b>	<b>£39,441.89</b>

## WARSOP PARISH COUNCIL

Insurance	£1,057.31	£1,102.89	£1,217.86	£1,203.85
Payroll	£30,547.02	£38,408.05	£41,018.25	£43,900.03
Section 137	£6,327.27	£9,137.00	£6,756.00	£5,687.00
Professional Fee's	£3,914.10	£6,374.63	£3,761.73	£2,113.45
Training	£390.00	£208.80	£0	£275.00
Church Yard	£1,410.56	£4,585.00	£1,840.00	£2,480.00
Chair's Allowance	£0	£150.00	£0	£0
Admin	£5,474.61	£4,402.03	£2,395.79	£2,808.72
	<b>£49,120.87</b>	<b>£64,368.40</b>	<b>£56,989.63</b>	<b>£58,468.05</b>

## CAR PARK (Next to library)

Maintenance	£776.00	£210.00	£180.00	£0
Car Park Rates	£411.40	£396.10	£408.00	£417.35
Car Park Loan	£4,775.60	£4,664.80	£4,554.00	£4,443.20

## WARSOP PARISH NEWS

Printing	£12,856.00	£10,846.00	£12,982.00	£2,833.76
Design	£10,000.00	£10,000.00	£10,000.00	£3,420.00
Delivery	£3,800.00	£3,990.00	£3,420.00	£1,900.00
	<b>£26,656.00</b>	<b>£24,836.00</b>	<b>£26,402.00</b>	<b>£8,153.76</b>

## WARSOP MARKET

Market Storage Rent	£0	£0	£974.97	£974.97
Market Business Rates	£0	£0	£254.21	£309.25
Market Trade Waste			£291.98	£0
Casual Labour	£0	£0	£0	£1,530.00
License	£80.50	£70.00	£70.00	£70.00
	£80.50	£70.00	£1,591.16	£2,884.22
CAB	£0*	£0*	£0*	£5,000
	£0	£0	£0	£5,000.00

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£118,147.58</b>	<b>£138,450.69</b>	<b>£125,444.62</b>	<b>£118,808.47</b>
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\*Donation £5,000

**Business Rates** – The rateable value was checked in 2017/18 and is now up to date.

**Gas** – A third party is used to find the best deal possible. (Please remember the size and age of the building when referencing the figures).

**Electric** – A third party is used to find the best deal possible. (Please remember the size and age of the building when referencing the figures).

**Water Rates** – Changed from Severn Trent Water to Water Plus. Mostly follows the rate of inflation.

**Phones/Broadband** – Parish Council staff continually seek to find better contracts/deals as can be seen from 2018.

**Trade Waste** – Mansfield District Council offer the cheapest trade waste prices.

**Maintenance/Services** – This section includes all required services by law – for example fire safety systems/training, legionella/training, security systems, PAT testing, etc. There is also a budgeted amount for urgent/necessary repairs.

**Insurance** – This includes insurance for the Town Hall, car park (next to the library), Market Cross, War Memorial and public liability.

**Payroll** – The Parish Council employs people who live within the Parish. 2016/17 – 4 members of staff, 2017/18 – 4 members of staff, 2018/19 – 5 members of staff, 2019/20 – 5 members of staff, 2020/21 – 5 members of staff & 2021- 2022 currently working with 3 staff members.

**S137** – This is a funding pot available for local groups and organisations and is written into law as something the Parish Council must allow a budget for.

As you can see from the information, the Town Hall provides a great home to our valued services. Without this base the Parish Council cannot guarantee that they will continue locally, however, it is are dedicated in supporting each organisation.

The Town Hall is situated in a conservation area so when doing repairs or replacement works, it must be like for like and following the requirements from conservation.

Before any works are undertaken in the Town Hall asbestos testing must be completed for each area unless the area has already been tested.

Most of the works shown in the table are for repairs however, some the window frames are rotten

and therefore repairs may not be possible and replacement options could mean the cost would be much higher due to conservation rules.

If the results of the consultation are to keep the Town Hall open, then this plan below would be worked on and a realistic time frame will be set out in a 5-year business plan. Further work would also need to be done to identify any potential external funding streams.

Please find a copy of the full building survey here - <https://www.warsopparishcouncil.co.uk/documents/2021/buildingsurvey.pdf>

The figures below are actual figures for the end of each of the tax years shown.

## Town Hall Building Survey

Estimated costs and indicative time scales of required maintenance works at Warsop Town Hall.

### Warsop Town Hall - Building Survey - Planned Maintenance Schedule

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Works	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
Scaffold access	£30,000				£10,000	<b>£40,000</b>
Pitched roof repairs	£5,000					<b>£5,000</b>
Flat roof repairs	£25,000					<b>£25,000</b>
Gutter repairs & decoration	£20,000					<b>£20,000</b>
Window/door repairs	£25,000				£10,000	<b>£35,000</b>
Repairs & decoration to fire escape	£3,000				£500	<b>£3,500</b>
External decoration	£13,000				£3,000	<b>£16,000</b>
Replace defective drainage	£7,500					<b>£7,500</b>
Demolish dilapidated outbuildings		£10,000				<b>£10,000</b>
Internal decoration		£10,000			£10,000	<b>£20,000</b>
Emergency lighting maintenance	£750	£750	£750	£750	£750	<b>£3,750</b>
Fire alarm maintenance	£750	£750	£750	£750	£750	<b>£3,750</b>
Electrical installation maintenance including nominal repairs	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	<b>£5,000</b>
Heating installation maintenance including nominal repairs	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	<b>£5,000</b>
Brick pointing & repairs	£15,000					<b>£15,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£147,000</b>	<b>£23,500</b>	<b>£3,500</b>	<b>£3,500</b>	<b>£37,000</b>	<b>£214,500</b>

The information in the above table provides approximate figures. Some of the works that are required could incur a lower or higher fee.

**Professional Fees** – This includes legal memberships, internal and external auditors, IT support/systems, website, etc.

**Training** – Council training courses for Parish Council staff and councillors.

**Church Yard** – WPC are responsible for cutting the grass/weeding, pest control and tree inspections and related works within the boundary wall around St Peter's and St Paul's.

**Chair's Allowance** – The council elects a Chair of the council each year and they can use an allowance for charity events, competitions or other things linked to the Parish.

**Admin** – Stationary, toiletries, cleaning products, bank charges, equipment, etc.

**Car Park Maintenance** – Grounds maintenance works (cutting grass, weeding, etc) are normally carried out yearly.

**Car Park Rates** – The car park has a rateable value that is paid to MDC.

**Car Park Loan** – WPC took out a loan for the purchase of the car park (next to the library) and the shop (Mr Maggot Man). The shop was sold, and the loan will be fully paid by 2021/22.

**Warsop Parish News Printing** – The reduction of the paper to quarterly reduced costs dramatically in 2019/20 tax year and council staff sought out new printers. The number of pages can change the figures slightly.

**Warsop Parish News Design** – The council use a company within the Parish to design the paper. The number of pages can change the figures slightly.

**Warsop Parish News Delivery** – The paper is delivered by local people.

**Warsop Market** – The market ended up running at a loss but closed due to health and safety concerns.

**CAB** – WPC pay for this service to be provided for the residents of Warsop Parish to be based locally rather than people traveling to Mansfield for help and support.

INCOME	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Parish Precept	£91,792.00	£89,476.75	£103,823.83	
Room Hire	£18,403.10	£20,494.32	£17,735.55	£19,758.05
WPN-Adverts	£14,782.00	£18,648.00	£11,159.00	£3,804.00
Interest	£16.87	£129.68	£92.00	£91.87
VAT	£4,277.48	£4,501.67	£5,680.78	£4,412.09
Photocopying	£123.25	£190.46	£243.83	£312.81
Market Stalls	£0	£1,936.92	£324.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£129,394.70</b>	<b>£133,440.88</b>	<b>£140,671.91</b>	<b>£133,294.82</b>

**Parish Precept** - The Precept is a tax that Parish Council's charge their local electors to meet their budget requirements. Parish Councils do not receive any direct funding from central government and rely on their Precept plus any other income they generate from services or facilities they provide. The Parish Council Precept is part of the Council Tax and is collected from local electors via their Council Tax payments. The amount collected is calculated using the Council Tax Base, 6000 households in the Parish and the Band D equivalent which changes every year. The Parish of Warsop includes Sookholme, Spion Kop, Warsop, Meden Vale, Church Warsop and Warsop Vale.

## The Precept figures for the Parish in 2021/22 are:

Band A -	£22.85
Band B -	£26.66
Band C -	£30.47
Band D -	£34.28
Band E -	£41.90
Band F -	£49.52
Band G -	£57.13
Band H,	£68.56

**Room Hire** – There are 7 office spaces that can be rented out on a permanent basis or hired out for daily use.

**WPNs Adverts** – This figure decreased dramatically due to the paper being reduced to quarterly editions. The paper is subsidised by Warsop Parish Council.

**Interest** – This figure will vary depending on the interest rates. The interest is generated from bank accounts that have an amount reserved for capital projects and a 25 - 30% reserve for emergencies.

**VAT** – The council are able to claim back VAT on most vatable purchases. This figure will always be dependent on the council's expenditure on equipment, maintenance, etc. There is a limit on claiming VAT on building works.

**Photocopying** – This figure will vary depending on the public's need for printing/photocopying services.

**Market Stalls** – Due to health and safety issues of the location of the market, the decision was taken by the council to close the current market but have spoken about setting up a working group for a new market in the future.

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Although we are still in the midst of the Covid pandemic, there is some good news. The Covid vaccine rollout is picking up pace with new sites set up in and around Mansfield.

Hopefully, this is the first step in moving out of these troubling times. There are also new walk-in testing centres at Oak Tree Leisure Centre and the One Call Stadium.

As you can see from the front/back pages, Warsop Parish Council are consulting residents of the Parish on the future of the Town Hall. Please read all the information and fill in the questionnaire. WE REALLY NEED YOUR VIEWS!

**Remember Hands, Face, Space and stay safe!**

Editor, Warsop Parish News

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## GARDENING UPDATE



**Top tips to help you get the best from your spring garden and prepare for the coming season.**

After being cooped up all winter most of us can't wait to get outside and start pottering in the garden. With spring bulbs flowering, days lengthening and lambs in the fields, it's time to get out and prepare for the glorious summer ahead. There are lots of little jobs to keep us busy, even if the weather isn't brilliant, says Angela Slater from Hayes Garden World.

### The flower garden:

This is the time woodland gardens come into their own so if you have an area under deciduous trees or shrubs, why not inject ground colour with hellebores, primroses, winter aconites or wood anemones?

Mulching herbaceous beds can save a lot of time and water by cutting down on the backbreaking job of weeding and watering. Spread a thick layer of coco bark mulch, home-made compost or well-rotted leaf mould to a thickness of about 3 inches. Don't do this if the ground is still frozen.

If you forgot to plant spring bulbs in autumn, there are plenty of pot grown species available in garden centres to inject some instant colour into borders and containers.

Summer flowering bulbs are also in garden centres so pot them up in good quality, peat-free compost and place in cool, bright, frost-free areas. Sink the pots in the border once the weather gets warmer and you know where you have gaps.

Set dahlia tubers in trays of damp compost to shoot, then cut off when about four inches long and place three round the edge of a six inch pot to grow on.

Small herbaceous perennials become available in garden centres now so buy while they are better value; later in the season they will be larger and more expensive. Either plant in the garden if the soil has warmed up sufficiently or pot on in larger pots.

Lots of bedding plants are available now so brighten up your spring pots and hanging baskets.

Sow sweet pea seed and leave somewhere bright and frost-free; use dedicated sweet pea modules or the cardboard middle out of toilet rolls.

If you have gaps in the herbaceous border and are lacking some colour, camellias, azaleas and rhododendrons are all early bloomers. They need an acid soil: if you garden with alkaline soil, grow them in containers using ericaceous compost.

### The vegetable garden:

Set potatoes to chit and sow First Earlies about the end of March, weather permitting.

Sow chilli seeds and place in a heated propagator; they need as long a growing season as possible.

Dig over the veg plot ready to start planting as soon as the soil warms; place fleece tunnels over the soil to warm it faster.

### Lawn care:

Rake out any moss and scatter some seed mixed with seed compost if there are any bald patches. If the grass has started to grow, give it a light trim with the mower set on the highest setting. Give an all-in-one weed, feed and moss killer.

### Indoors:

Start giving houseplants more water and a weak feed.

Sow salad leaves and micro herbs in trays of seed compost and place on a warm, bright windowsill.

Bring some colour into the home with planted containers of spring bulbs and azaleas. Position them somewhere cool and light and keep just damp: too warm and they will quickly go over.

### Odd jobs:

If you didn't do so in autumn, scrub out the greenhouse with a solution of Jeyes fluid or bleach, paying particular attention to the glass frames where over-wintering bugs hide. Clean the glass and leave the door open to dry thoroughly.

Scrub greenhouse staging, pots and seed trays.

Peruse the seeds in garden centres and plan your vegetable garden and cut flower plot.

After all that hard work, a visit to some spring gardens open to the public is a great way to get inspiration and indulge in tea and scones.

Happy Gardening

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## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Members of the public are welcome to attend all the council's virtual meetings at 6.30pm.

The link for the meeting will be on the agenda.

Monday 15th March      Monday 17th May  
Monday 19th July      No meeting in August  
Monday 20th September      Monday 15th November  
No meeting in December

The Clerk is available on:

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## Warsop Parish News

### Deadline Dates for Adverts/Articles for 2021

Issue	Deadline
March	Monday 18th January 2021
June	Monday 19th April 2021
September	Monday 19th July 2021
December	Monday 18th October 2021



## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Warsop Parish Council are looking to add deliverers to the waiting list for Warsop Parish News that is delivered quarterly throughout the year.**

The delivery of the paper will be February, May, August and November.

The waiting list to cover: holidays, illness and any future vacancies.

There are 11 rounds that cover the Parish of Warsop. There are 5 rounds in Warsop, 2 in Church Warsop, 2 in Meden Vale, 1 in Spion Kop and 1 in Warsop Vale.

Deliverers should be 14yrs+, under 14yrs must be accompanied by an adult.

For any further information please contact the Parish Clerk at: theclerk@warsopparishcouncil.co.uk

## Warsop Parish Food Share

**The Parish currently has one food share running every week between 11am and 4pm at the Plough Inn Warsop.**

The food share is for the use of anyone that may need to use it and it is completely anonymous.

You can also have a food parcel delivered.

For details, please call us on

**01623-370931 or 07548-260156**

or send us a private message on The plough inn facebook page

# WARSOP PARISH COUNCIL



## Warsop Parish Chair, Councillor Debra Barlow

**2021 is underway and unfortunately we're still under the grips of Covid 19 and the pandemic. Many of our residents will now have received their first vaccination, but please remember that caution is still needed along with Hands, Face, Space.**

If you need help with medicines, shopping, loneliness, you can contact CAR Warsop and Warsop and Surround group. The community spirit and assistance around the Parish has been overwhelming. It certainly makes me feel proud that I'm part of the Parish.

You'll see in this paper a consultation about the Future of the Town Hall. I urge everyone to take part, there will be a survey on line as well as paper to complete. As a Parish Council we need to know what our Residents really want.

You'll have all seen that the Strand Bingo site has been demolished, but work hasn't yet commenced on the new build. This is due to Covid, but ARBA group have invested heavily in this site and do intend to start construction as soon as is possible.

It is hoped that during April and May a Lung Health programme will get underway. If you're invited to participate please take it up. Warsop Parish has been chosen because we unfortunately have a high incidence of poor lung health due to Industry like Mining and factories, and higher than average smokers. This screening programme will be open to people (men and women) over the age of 50. The unit will be set up in Sure Start Car Park.

The Parish Council are still hopeful that the Towns Fund application submitted by MDC will be approved and that the Parish will benefit substantially from this mainly in the guise of a new Health/Leisure Community Hub.

I want to thank our Clerk and Assistant Clerk for keeping the Parish Council working efficiently during this last year.

*Councillor Debra Barlow, Chair Warsop Parish Council*

## Warsop Parish Councillor Andy Wetton

**Covid 19 continues to play havoc with our lives & we are currently still in full National lock down.**

Unfortunately things are fast moving & although we still continue to function on a day to day basis, whatever I report now will be old news by the time we go to print.

At the moment we are pushing ahead with the Government's program of vaccination & asymptomatic testing against the virus. Sites opening at Field mill, Oaktree for tests & Wickes old site for vaccination. Please keep to Government advice & follow the daily bulletin to stay safe.

Flooding & Winter bad weather are major normal concerns at this time of year with County & District staff working to keep our roads safe. Emergency teams are on hand to respond to any flooding emergencies.

Warsop Post Office sorting office is under threat of being moved so a group of local Councillors, Parish, District and County. Along with

## Warsop Parish Councillors

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Mansfield's Mayor Andy Abrahams & Mansfield MP Ben Bradley have written to Royal Mail hopefully to reverse the decision to move the sorting office.

Finally I would like to pay tribute to Warsop Poppy group who made Warsop Remembrance tribute amazing even under Covid restrictions, brilliant.

Stay Safe everyone

*Councillor Andy Wetton*



# Christmas Smile 2020

## The Warsop Parish Christmas Smile Campaign



**Thank you to everyone who made this year's campaign possible; we brought a Christmas Smile to more people than ever before.**



Warsop Parish Council Chamber with some of the donations for Smile

This year's Smile Campaign started in November with the expectation we might be delivering around 20-25 hampers/gifts around Warsop Parish. However, we didn't expect the huge response from individuals, voluntary groups, and local businesses who donated toys, money, advice, and time to this project.

We were overwhelmed by the generosity of Warsop Parish – thank you.

As a result, with your help, we achieved the following:

- 27 Family Christmas Hampers and gifts
- 18 Individual and Silver Smile Hampers with gifts
- In total 50 Adults and 71 children received a Christmas Smile.
- We were able to use donations to help support 8 households with their fuel costs over the Christmas week.
- And Chair of the Parish Council, Debra Barlow, working with Warsop United Charities, was able to handover 6 laptops to Meden School to help support students with their learning. These were given as in today's educational setting they're very necessary, even more so during lockdown.
- We also ran a Christmas Window competition which was won by Chelsea Walters with her depiction of The Grinch.



Presentation of 6 Laptops to Meden School by Smile and Warsop United Charities.

### Special thanks to:

- Warsop and Surround Area Support Group
- TSP Ltd
- The Allotment Box
- Big Warsop
- Warsop United Charities
- Warsop Children's Centre
- Life Spring Church
- The Plough Foodshare
- Warsop Police
- Ferocious Dog
- Warsop's District Councillors
- Warsop Parish Council

Thank you to our gift wrappers including Sheila Hardy and Nicole Spivey. We are looking to continue with Smile during 2021 in order to raise money for next Christmas.

**If you would like to get involved then please contact me, Karen Hardy on:**  
**07377 767312**  
 or look for us on facebook.



Fruit and Veg donated by The Allotment Box and their customers

# Voting Safely at This Year's Elections

**Residents in Mansfield will go to the polls on Thursday May 6, 2021 to have their say in elections for Nottinghamshire County Council and for the county's Police and Crime Commissioner.**

While the elections are some time away, Mansfield District Council is already making plans to help people stay safe while casting your votes.

There are a number of ways to vote in these elections: at a polling station in person; by appointing someone you trust to vote in person on your behalf at a polling station, which is known as a proxy vote; or by post.

Hayley Barsby, Returning Officer for Mansfield District Council, said:

*"The elections are very important, they're an opportunity to make your voice heard and have a say on who represents you on issues that directly affect day-to-day life in this district."*

*"We're thinking about these elections now, so that however you choose to cast your vote in May, you can do so safely."*

*"We're putting arrangements in place to help you stay safe at the polling station; you can expect many of the measures you've become used to in shops and banks over recent months, such as hand sanitiser, social distancing signs and face masks. But you also have the option to apply to vote by post or by proxy."*

Ailsa Irvine, Director of Electoral Administration and Guidance at the Electoral Commission said:

*"The choice on how to vote at this May's elections is yours – you can have your say in person, by post or by proxy."*

*"If you're thinking about voting by post, you can apply now. This will make sure your application is processed early, and your postal vote can be sent to you more quickly. It's easy to apply and you can find out how by visiting the Electoral Commission website."*

Everyone eligible to vote must be registered first. The easiest way to register is online at [www.gov.uk/register-to-vote](https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote).

Residents can visit the Elections 2021 page on the website at <https://www.mansfield.gov.uk/elections/> to find out more about the elections on 6 May 2021. The page will be updated with new information as it becomes available.

Any residents who have questions can also contact their local elections team at the council at [elections@mansfield.gov.uk](mailto:elections@mansfield.gov.uk) or call 01623 463345.

## Warsop Town Hall Services

**The Town Hall is currently closed due to Covid-19. Parish Council staff are available by phone or email.**

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## Warsop Parish Councillor Wayne Williamson-Cooper

### A Massive Thank You to the People of Warsop

**2020 has been a really bad year for everyone because of Covid-19 but this community's heart has gone from strength to strength.**

Even though we have lost friends and family we have stayed strong and come together to support each other. I would like to thank people for going out of their way to help others.

First of all, a big thank you to all of the students, parents and teachers of Meden and Hetts Lane Schools that donated food to the Warsop Parish Food Share at the Plough inn and also thank you to Paula Hickinbotham and Val Spencer for running the food share and making sure that people have access to much needed food.

Next, all those of you that helped with the feed school children drive during the half term holiday thank you to all who were involved making sure the children of the Parish had food.

The Christmas smile and Silver smile campaign the people who worked so hard to make this happen are just amazing to me and a big big thank you to: The Black Market, Car Warsop Car Ollerton and

District project, The Allotment box, Wetton's Butchers, Warsop and surrounding areas support group, the Warsop Childrens Centre, The Plough, our District Councillors: Andy Wetton, Phil Shields, Debra Barlow and Andy Burgin, Warsop Parish Councillors especially Parish Councillor Karen Hardy who went above and beyond making up the hampers and everyone who donated food, presents and money to make this happen.

Thank you to all the delivery drivers that took time out to help get all of the care packages out to everyone.

Being a part of this community and being able to be a part of all of this makes me so proud to live here in Warsop and inspires me every day to be more and to do more. Thank you so much to everyone and keep up the good work

**Councillor Wayne Williamson-Cooper**





## Go with the flow!

Rapid testing for people without symptoms.

**Around 1 in 3 people with COVID-19 don't have any symptoms, but can still pass it on.**

That's why we are offering regular testing to people in Mansfield district.

### Community testing

Rapid COVID-19 testing (lateral flow testing) is now available for people without symptoms who live or work in Mansfield.

1 in 3 people with COVID-19 don't have symptoms, but can still pass it on. That is why it is important you should get a test regularly, ideally twice weekly.

The test is quick, safe and accurate. It takes around 30 minutes to receive your results and you don't need to book a test. It is important that you continue to have weekly tests to help stop the spread of COVID-19 in Mansfield.

This is only a test for people who do not have COVID-19 symptoms and if you have a new continuous cough, a temperature or notice a change in your sense of smell or taste, you must self-isolate and book a test through the NHS 119 service.

At the community test centre you will be given a kit so that you can take swabs from your throat and nose. These will be tested for the presence or absence of coronavirus.

There are two community testing centres in Mansfield as shown below. Please use the one nearest to where you live or work. Please take a smart phone and face covering with you but no unneeded items such as bags. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Oak Tree and Bellamy:

Oak Tree Leisure Centre, NG18 3RT

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Wednesday	7am - 3pm
Thursday	7am - 3pm
Friday	7am - 3pm
Saturday	7am - 3pm
Sunday	Closed



#### Ladybrook:

Mansfield Town F.C., NG18 5DA

Monday	9am - 7pm
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	9am - 7pm
Thursday	9am - 7pm
Friday	9am - 7pm
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	10am - 2pm



[www.mansfield.gov.uk/coronavirus/communitytesting](http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/coronavirus/communitytesting)



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## Meden School Thanks for Community Support

**A massive thank you to all the Pupils and their families, Teachers and Staff of Meden School for their amazing support for their community prior to Christmas.**

Meden pupils and staff donated food for food hampers and collected donations totalling an amazing £660.38 towards Warsop Parish foodbanks.

Each tutorial collected items of food over the final two weeks of term and boxed them up to go to The Plough Inn food bank and The Bethel Church food bank. Some of the boxes were decorated by students and even had homemade Christmas cards for the people that were receiving the donations. Students and staff also donated spare change in return for wearing their Christmas jumpers to school on the last day. This cash donation was split between the Warsop Parish foodbanks.

When life has been so difficult for young people this year we are very blessed to have such wonderful young people in our school and community.

Head Master Jim Smith (right) pictured handing over the cash plus photographs of the huge amount of food donations.



## Friends of Warsop Vale

### Our Pre-Christmas Treat

**A jolly Christmas was on the cards when, on Wednesday 23rd December 2020, Santa came to give us an early wave from the top of a fire engine.**

Josh Harvey and the crew of Shirebrook Fire Station drove Santa around Warsop Vale bringing seasonal cheer to all.

Despite the terrible weather the festive parade was loved by the all children and adults who braved the storms and came out to see them.

We would like to say a big thank you to Josh Harvey and the Shirebrook crew for helping us to making Christmas feel just a little bit more special.



## Fantastic fundraising

**Throughout last year Friends of Warsop Vale managed to raise through cake sales and a charity walk an amazing £837 which went to Alzheimers Society, Police Care UK and Macmillan Cancer Support.**

We also held a Christmas prize draw with prizes of £180, £120 and £60 being won by local residents and the remaining £240 to be used by Friends of Warsop Vale for future events.

We would like to thank everyone for their continued support.

*Sharon Scott, Chair Friends of Warsop Vale.*



# Sherwood Forest



**As part of our campaign to reduce plastic waste and littering we held a poster competition at the end of last year which aimed to encourage children to learn how plastic pollution is affecting our world.**

**The competition was open to all schoolchildren in the Warsop District, Edwinstowe and Ollerton areas and the winning posters are pictured right.**

## REDUCING EMISSIONS

**How well are we doing in Mansfield and Warsop?**

Skye's poster hits the nail on the head – we all can make a difference if we take action now. As the UK prepares to host the COP26 Climate Summit in November this year, we thought it would be interesting to see just how much of a difference Mansfield and Warsop local authority area has been making in reducing our carbon emissions – a good starting point to find out how we can all do more to help.

Researchers at the Tyndall Centre, probably the UK's leading centre of climate change expertise, have published a detailed carbon report for every local authority. Friends of the Earth have analysed the details (updated in December 2020), and compared progress so far with what needs to be achieved by 2030 in order to meet our targets to try to stop rising global temperatures. Our area seems to be making some progress but, sadly, still has a long way to go. Have a look:

## GREENHOUSE GAS

**(ghg) Emissions in Mansfield and Warsop**

Housing	49%
Transport	25%
Industrial/Commercial	26%

Overall, Mansfield and Warsop needs to reduce its emissions by at least 14% per year to contribute towards reaching national targets.

## HOUSING

In our area, only 38% of homes are well insulated, which indicates "an avoidable waste of energy, high ghg emissions and high energy bills". We need to switch away from gas central heating to "eco-heating" such as heat pumps which run on renewable electricity, to reduce ghg emissions from gas, and to help us do this, grants are available from the government when installing eco-heating systems.

The report points out that the UK needs to fit around 1 million eco heating systems per year and that a fair share for our area would mean fitting 1,913 eco-heating systems every year.

Number of government funded eco-heating systems in Mansfield and Warsop - 129.

## TRANSPORT

Transport is the biggest source of ghg emissions nationally. Research suggests, to deliver the reduced emissions needed, car mileage will need to drop by as much as 60%. The Climate Change Committee (CCC) has recommended total mileage per car driver should fall by at least 17% and that 34% would be achievable. To achieve this, more people need to use other methods of transport, and continue working from home where possible as we have done during the pandemic.

Figures for the best performing similar local authority areas show the number of people choosing to use public transport is 22%, cycle 12% and walk 18%.

In Mansfield and Warsop, people using public transport is 7%, cycle 1% and walk 10%.

## ENERGY

In order for the UK to move away from climate-wrecking oil and gas and provide the energy we need from renewable sources, up to 7 times more renewable electricity may need to be produced, to include for our transport and heating. It is planned that much of the additional renewable energy will come from offshore wind, but there's also a need to significantly increase onshore wind/solar power and explore other renewable energy sources.

The Tyndall report indicates that best similar local authority areas produce 166,129 MWh of renewable energy per year.

Mansfield and Warsop produce 53,986 MWh.

## TREES

Trees are very important to us because as well as acting as carbon sinks, taking up carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and storing it, trees also play an important role in public health – they clean up air pollution, reduce flood risk and, of course, they provide a home for nature. Recommended targets are to double tree cover across the UK by 2050, and local authorities should aim to establish much more urban green space including planting more urban trees.

Data provided to Friends of the Earth by aerial survey company Bluesky International Ltd suggests:

Tree cover in Mansfield and Warsop area is only 10 - 20%.

## WASTE

Every product that is made for us to buy, use and throw away, contributes towards climate breakdown. A huge step towards cutting ghg's is to reduce the amount of "stuff" we acquire and, once we have finished with it, we should, as Skye suggests in her poster, reuse, recycle or compost as much as possible. The best similar local authorities reuse, recycle or compost 69% of household waste. The target is 100% (zero waste) by 2030.

Mansfield and Warsop reuses, recycles and composts just 33% of its household waste.

## TAKE ACTION

So in every sector mentioned above, there are lots of actions we can all start to take, from planting more trees, driving less, using less plastic, walking more, or simply reducing our consumption. Our future articles will include more suggestions on small actions we can take that can make a big difference.

Our local authorities can help, too, by producing their own Climate Action Plans and ensuring climate change mitigation is at the heart of every decision.

As our young poster competition winners have shown us, they know what needs to be done – it is up to all adults to get started and help create a better world for them to inherit.

If you would like to find out more about the above report, go to [takeclimateaction.uk/climate-action/how-climate-friendly-your-area](https://takeclimateaction.uk/climate-action/how-climate-friendly-your-area)

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## Eco Poster Competition

We are pleased to report the overall winner of our competition was Skye, aged 11 (full details withheld under the data protection Act) who attends The Parkgate Academy. Skye has won a £25 prize for her entry together with £25 for her school. Her poster will be printed later in the year and used as part of our planned campaign against plastic littering and waste.



As Skye's poster says, every one of us can make a difference to the levels of pollution in our environment if we reduce what we use, reuse where we can, and recycle. Remember, all plastic that doesn't get recycled or reused, either ends up polluting our soil, waterways or goes to incineration which can be worse for the climate than burning coal!

There were no entries from secondary level, so we decided to re-allocate that prize to primary level runners up, including:



*Harry, 8 and Ada, 7 who won £15, and £15 for their school.*



*Sean, 10, won £15, and £15 for his school.*

Why not keep a look out for the posters, which will be displayed around the area in a few months' time, and join in with our next competition, to be held later in the year – you, too, could be an eco-winner!



## The Birklands Bulletin

We had an incredibly busy and fun-filled time at Birklands Primary School last half-term. Here are some of the things that have been happening at our amazing school...



### Festive Flashback...

We did not allow the pandemic to prevent us from holding our annual Christmas service, although this was slightly different!

The Reverend Angela joined each class bubble virtually, so that we could still share this special time together. Our Year 6s read the Christmas Story and children from other year groups shared some of the wonderful learning that they had done linked to this.

Unfortunately, we could not sing, but here's hoping that we'll be in full voice again this year!

### Deck the Halls

Mrs Smith challenged each class to decorate their classroom tree solely with handmade decorations.

As always, we love a good challenge at Birklands, so we rose to this! Well done to the winning classes for their 'treemendous' efforts!



### Ayla's Act of Kindness

Ayla-Rose (one of our Reception pupils) is the embodiment of our 'Be Kind' value.

She wanted to make a difference to every member of staff at Birklands by presenting them with a care package, each containing a bottle of hand cleanser and some hand cream.

She personally signed all twentytwo of these thoughtful gifts.

Thank you, Ayla – your act of kindness has really lifted our spirits!



### Charity Work

We had lots of fun during our annual Children In Need day and raised £165.02 for this vital charity in the process.

We also recognised the importance of being different and celebrated this by encouraging our pupils (and staff) to knowingly wear odd socks during Anti-bullying Week.



### Birklands' Budding Author

We would like to say a huge well done to Emilia Wood

Emilia entered the Old Hall's Horrible Histories writing competition and won the award in her category! We are so proud of you Emilia!

Go to page 11 to find out more about the Old Hall's Horrible Histories writing competition, which was organised by the Warsop Old Hall Project Team, and how you can read Emilia's winning entry please

## What's Happening at Sherwood?



So, Lockdown has returned and once again Sherwood has risen to the challenge of ensuring our children are happy, safe and still receiving the best education they can in such difficult times. Here's a little round-up of life in Sherwood Juniors so far this year.

### Sherwood to the Rescue!

With the echoes of 'Happy New Year!' still ringing in our ears, the pupils and staff returned to work in the hope that 2021 would be a much more positive year than its predecessor.

However, it wasn't long before our doors were closed yet again to the majority and open only to Keyworker children. The question on everyone's lips 'What will happen next?'

This was the precise moment when the staff of Sherwood Juniors whisked out their capes and superhero costumes to jump in and save the day!

Working tirelessly, the staff rallied together to ensure all of our children would continue to receive their education and support from their teachers and teaching staff ASAP. Not even Covid-19 could stop them achieving their mission. Be it Teams, Abacus, Times Tables Rockstars, stories or Check-ins, our amazing staff have pulled every trick and super power in their possession to be there for their pupils – and it wasn't long before the children showed off their super powers too!

With a 'BANG', the spectacular pupils have delivered the most amazing work day after day despite many of them not being in school. From jaw-dropping writing, magnificent maths to flawless artwork, our children have truly displayed their superhero powers too! The school's Facebook page quickly exploded with a gallery of pictures for all to see and goodness are we proud of each and every single one of our pupils!

The school is literally brimming with heroes; people who are willing and wanting to go the extra mile to keep everything ticking over smoothly. The cleaners who maintain a spotless and safe environment for the children to learn in; the office staff who answer and respond to every call and query at the drop of a hat and the kitchen and lunchtime staff who keep the pupils nourished and cared for.

So, what has 2021 given us so far? Proof that we at Sherwood Juniors are an invincible and indestructible team!

That together, we can overcome anything and that our children truly are superheroes!



## SHERWOOD SPORT

There may not be any competitions or sports clubs at present but that hasn't stopped Sherwood from being active – no way!

In an effort to keep our children moving, Mrs Bradbury has begun to set weekly PE challenges and the children have responded brilliantly. From agility to catching, there has been plenty to keep our children on their feet with so much more to come.





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# Deb's Delicious Decision

**After a career working in the Care Sector for over 30 years, firstly at Nottinghamshire County Council's Kings Mill hospital and then later with Derbyshire County Council's reablement team, local resident Deb Pearson, decided she wanted to make a change in her life.**

Deb was born in Shirebrook in 1962 and moved to Church Warsop in 1963 where educated at Church Vale Primary School and Meden Comprehensive School. After leaving school at the age of 16 she worked at the hosiery Mills in Mansfield before moving to the COOP store on the Robin Hood Estate in Warsop before moving on to a career in Care. She married Maynel Pearson in 1982 and had 4 children.

After some deliberation about her future and what opportunities may be available to her she took on a challenge that many would never even dream of during a worldwide pandemic by starting up her own business.

Deb has a passion for cooking, loves socialising with friends and meeting new people. She wanted to incorporate the things she loved into her new career and from this initial idea was born Deb's Cafe.

Deb says, "I have always had a passion for cooking, and I love a challenge, which this certainly is!

"As an eat-in cafe and takeaway I wanted to offer something different to Warsop such as BBQ pulled pork, dirty fries, loaded potato skins, homemade pizza subs, fruit pots, fresh salads daily as well as all the usual favourites".

Deb's Cafe, which opened on 11th January 2021, is situated on the corner of Sherwood Street and Clumber Street, and up to yet, it has proven to be very popular, with home cooked, traditional cafe food and healthy options all at amazing prices.

Obviously, in the present climate, the cafe is unable to welcome their customers to take advantage of the beautifully decorated and spacious eating areas but Deb and her staff are looking forward to when this will change and they are also able to show off their impressive customer service skills.

After being one of the many who have already sampled her menu I would highly recommend you give it a try and I am sure you will be calling back for seconds.

Karen Emm







Pictured above (from top),  
Connie May,  
Mary Birchenall,  
Peter Birchenall,  
Mike Payne and  
Stacey Moon-Tracy.

## Young People Create Warsop Old Hall Horrible Histories

Warsop Old Hall Project Team launched a competition back in November, to encourage young people to learn a little more about The Old Hall and their local history. The team wanted to give young people an opportunity to use what they had discovered to produce a piece of creative writing, with the theme Horrible History.



Without further ado, we would like to announce the winners of the competition and to share with you their work.

They are three very talented and worthy winners. The project team will be publishing the runner up stories over the coming months, which were also very impressive. They would encourage everyone to keep writing and to get involved in future events run by the Warsop Old Hall Project Team.

**The winner of the Age 7 and under category: Sienna Savva from Birklands School**

### THE EIGHT FEET AT THE OLD HALL

The judges were riveted by this gruesome and terrifying tale. They enjoyed the mystery and the unique idea of bringing in the TV crew to bring it into the present. Well done Sienna!

**The winner of the Age 8-10 category: Amy Cary from King Edwin Primary School Edwinstowe.**

### THE GHOST OF WARSOP HALL

Congratulations Amy, the judges really did enjoy your story. The story is very imaginative but it was underpinned with facts. The dialogue and vivid descriptions made this story live off the page.

**The winner of the Age 11+ category was: Phoebe Gale from Meden School**

### THE HORROR OF WARSOP

The judges were very impressed with Phoebe's evident passion for writing and felt that this horror kept them on the edge of their seat

wanting to read more. The twist at the end was really interesting and the use of dialogue and descriptions really brought this story to life. Well done Phoebe!

A group of local judges were called upon to deliberate and to decide upon the winners. The team were amazed at the quality of the stories created and with the imaginative use of the Old Hall as a setting.

One of the judges, Peter Birchenall said

"It was a privilege to be invited to join the judging panel, which uncovered a pleasing array of talent which hopefully, for some, will be taken further."

Included in the judging panel were:

Connie May, a local young poet and author, with two published poetry collections. She recently graduated from university with a Masters degree in creative writing and plans to release her first fiction novel in the future, alongside other poetry collections.

Mary Birchenall, a retired Senior Lecturer from the University of Leeds where she taught Sociology in the Department of Healthcare.

Mary missed the stimulus of academic writing, a part of her role that she had really enjoyed. Having no need to write for professional publication she found that writing could be personal and emotional.

So she wrote stories for her grandchildren and then moved into poetry. Mary said,

*"I have some really good poems and some 'Oh dear!' ones too."*

Peter Birchenall, an academic, who published a lot of articles and upon retirement took up creative writing and became immersed in the world of short stories and poetry where he has had some success in writing competitions.

The judging panel was also made up of Vibrant Warsop's Mike Payne who has a background in developing creative projects and solutions for not-for-profit organisations. He also creates and writes for enjoyment and has had some articles published.

Local Scriptwriter, Drama Practitioner and Lecturer in Writing for Performance at The University of Derby, Stacey Moon-Tracy was also part of the judging panel.

It was so difficult to choose winners, as the quality of the stories, was so good, and because of this the team decided to give every entrant a prize of a certificate, a notebook and pens as well as offering them some feedback.

Some competition entrants may not yet have received these due to Covid, and not being in school, however they are all waiting for you.

Mary said that

*"I hope that this short story competition encourages the participants and those who read their stories to engage more with their creative side and carry on writing."*

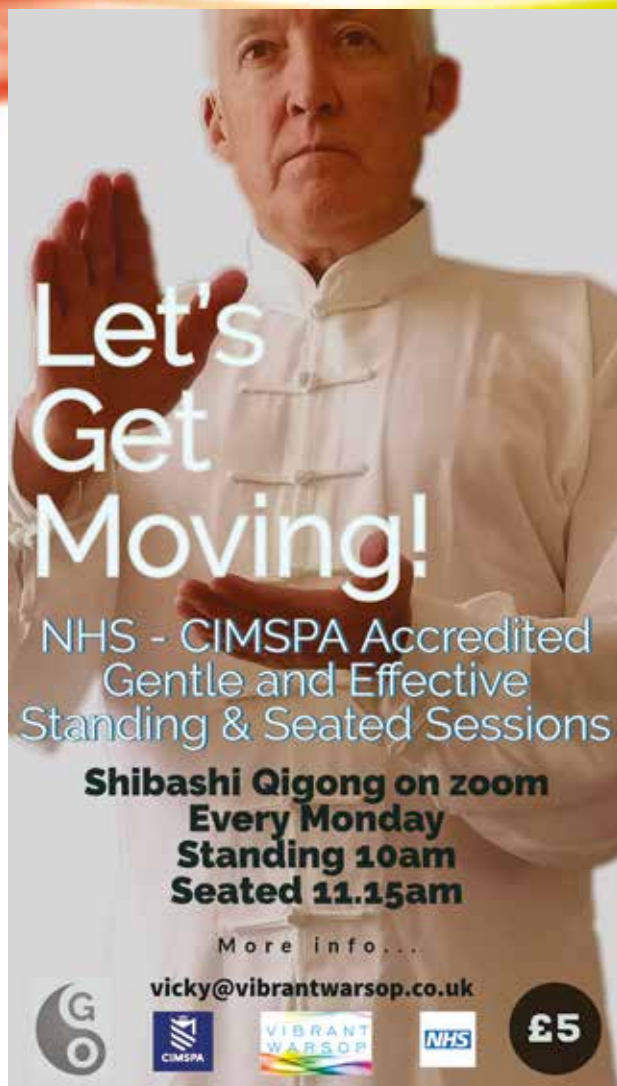


The winner of the Age 8-10 category: Amy Cary

The winning stories can be read by visiting:  
**[www.vibrantwarsop.org](http://www.vibrantwarsop.org)**

The project would love to continue receiving your stories or poems about Warsop's History or the Old Hall, to display on our website or in our up and coming events. You can send those into:  
**[warsopoldhall@vibrant.org](mailto:warsopoldhall@vibrant.org)**










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# Warsop Wordsmiths

The ability to evoke our imagination through the written word is a gift indeed and we are so very pleased to bring news on local people who have had the courage to put pen to paper and share their creative imaginations with us.

Congratulation to our entrants and winners of the horrible histories competition and to Steve and Connie for sharing their stories.

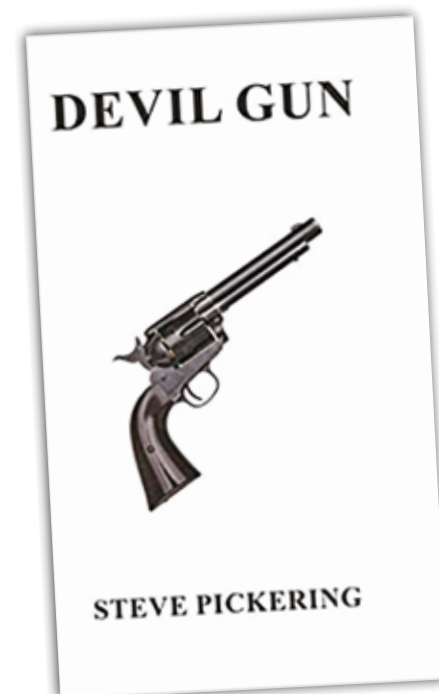
## Warsop Author Publishing Success

We are excited to announce a debut novel by Warsopian, Steve Pickering which has recently been published by New Generation Publishing.

The book is about a boy who is kidnapped by press-gangs in Victorian England and imprisoned on a Man o' war ship. After years of slaving on the ship, where he witnesses torture and killings, he incites a mutiny. Escaping into the Americas he has to adapt to another brutal way of life.

Notts Lit have short listed it as one of the best books with a Nottinghamshire connection of 2020, saying 'never predictable, this debut novel is a good old fashioned adventure story.'

Steve has always been fascinated by stories of pirates and the wild-west and was influenced from an early age by many famous writers including Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and his creation of Sherlock Holmes and Ian Fleming's James Bond. Steve didn't write as a profession, until he retired.



Steve was born in 1947 and was educated at Birklands Secondary Modern School for Boys. He went onto become an electrician and later a British Telecom engineer. Recently Steve moved to Lincolnshire with his wife to be closer to family, although he does miss Warsop. He continues to write and develop new material usually early in a morning as he is a light sleeper. When asked of his writing routine he said 'Some authors write a number of plots and several descriptions of characters before processing their story. In my case I just started writing. As weeks go by different ideas come to mind and the script accumulates. Over the months time is spent polishing the story and making sure all the time dates are correct.'

Steve's family are extremely proud of his achievement and were very excited when the book was published. His two sons and daughter, and all seven grandchildren along with his four sisters have each received a first edition signed copy of the book and have enjoyed the novel immensely, which he feels shows that Adventure Westerns are not just for men.

Steve would encourage others that are interested in writing to give it a go. He suggests that it is important to write about something that you have some knowledge of or that you are passionate about, but that you should always be prepared to undertake research for your book.

When asked what next Steve said 'Those that have read 'Devil Gun', are prompting me to write a sequel. Meanwhile, in the summer of 2021 two children's books that I have written will go into print.'

We will watch out for future work written by Steve and bring you further news of his success. Devil Gun is available to purchase in different formats on Amazon and in major book stores it is £12.99 for the Hardback, £8.99 for the Paperback and £4.99 for the Kindle Edition.





## From Connie's Column to Publishing Poetry

**Local writer Connie May Searson always had ambitions to become a writer, from the moment she was gifted a note pad aged eight, which she filled with her writings and named Connie's big book of small stories.**

Connie continued to write throughout her teenage years and you may remember reading Connie's Column in The Warsop and District News in the past. Living in a pub has provided Connie with lots of inspiration as she has met many different people, and she credits Warsop and particularly The Carrs as having a huge influence on her writing.



Connie enjoyed having full control over her work from its content to its design, which is why she decided to open her own Etsy shop to distribute and market her books. She also has ambitions to design her own home ware which will feature her poetry on it. The Etsy shop has allowed her to connect with the people who have bought her work and so far she has received some wonderful reviews including inspiring others to write. Connie's books have been sold to customers in Japan, Madagascar, Germany, USA and beyond.

Writing is a therapy for Connie and she would like to encourage others to pick up a pen. Her advice is to write for you and to never stop. Building a reputation as a writer takes time as does developing your craft, but for some people you may not ever want to share your work with others and that is okay too.

If you would like to buy your own copy of Connie's poetry then please visit: poetry collections and prints by [conniemaypoetry](https://www.conniemaypoetry.com) on Etsy or you can purchase through Amazon.

You can follow Connie May on Instagram: [@connie.may](https://www.instagram.com/connie.may)



It was, whilst studying towards a BA in Film and Television at Sheffield Hallam University, where a tutor advised Connie that her film scripts were poetic, and as a result she began to read poetry and fell in love with it. Connie went onto further her studies but this time she focused on poetry as she studied towards an MA in Creative Writing. It was through that course that she began to see poetry in everything and she realised that she needed to put her life into her work and that her work was her life.

Connie has since gone on to self publish two poetry books. The first entitled One Year of Me was published in 2018 and it is a set of poems which present a year in the life of the central character but told through the depiction of the four seasons. Connie reflects on this book as being the one which cemented her love of writing but she felt that it wasn't until the second book that she really discovered her style of writing and her true voice.

The second book was published in 2020 and it is something Connie feels very proud of. Named The Stars That Make Us this book contains Connie's own illustrations and designs, and is written in a font specifically designed for her also. It tells the life of a girl who is trying to figure out who she is. It takes the reader through her experiences of discovering herself and coming to terms with who she is, realising that she is at the centre of her own universe. Some of this book was written during the pandemic and some of that year is reflected in the book.



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Why not grab a cuppa and join us for our **virtual coffee mornings Tuesdays 10am – 11am**

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Everyone is welcome and its easy to join in.

If you would like more information please call Vicky on 07817478521 or email [vicky@vibrantwarsop.org](mailto:vicky@vibrantwarsop.org)





## Alternative Gardening Gaggle

**Are you interested in gardening, nature, our countryside and wildlife or just like getting your hands muddy planting seeds?**

While we cannot currently meet and natter and do this together (you might have noticed!), we are still going to plan and gather through conversations and videos until it is ok to meet in person again.

If you want to learn skills towards an accredited qualification, we can help with that too. Ecologic, in partnership with Vibrant Warsop, are working with Inspire Learning to develop a range of short courses through the Miner 2 Major programme; for example: Wildlife Gardening, Nature walks, Rights of Way maintenance, Hedgerow surveys and plant propagation.

Miner 2 Major is a five year Landscape Partnership scheme that will help promote and safeguard the natural, built and cultural heritage at the historic core of Sherwood Forest.

We would therefore love to hear about any nature, conservation or horticulture-based training or experiences that you would like us to provide.

We know not everybody wants to undertake training and sometimes a walk and a chat with like-minded people is all that we need to raise our spirits, or just want to potter around gardening. We can also advise on developing your own spaces or you can help out at one of our community spaces (when we can meet up again).

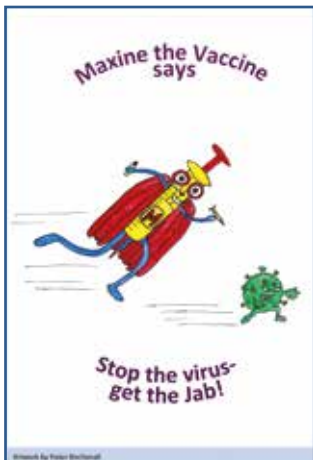
We are passionate about nature, horticulture and the countryside and we want to encourage others to engage with the environment in positive ways.

If you would like to develop your skills and knowledge or if you just want to improve your health by undertaking some light physical activities, then please let us know. We simply want to work together to create a better Warsop for us all.

So, what would lift your nature or gardening spirits?

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They have supported the Oaklands Residential centre in Warsop, Age UK Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, Diabetes UK, and The Malaria charity. During the present lockdown they are preparing joys bags which are sent out via The National Police Convoy Charity to women in countries who have very little.

Members have donated materials and cord and our member Christine Parkin has been busy making the bags and then the donated items are put in them for onward transmission. Items such as tooth brush, toothpaste, soap, jewellery, pens writing paper and anything to brightened the recipients day are included. Many items that are everyday things for us.

Along side these they prepare baby bundles from donated items which also are distributed by the Police aid convoy. Each baby bundle has a large folded blanket inside together with reusable nappies, baby clothes, towels, a sponge, creams and a soft toy. These are sent to new mums who have very little for their baby.



They held a Zoom afternoon tea with a quiz and a raffle.

The afternoon teas were individually prepared by their local Morrisons store and delivered to the members' doorsteps by the committee.

ISO Mary Pay presented a lovely quiz which entertained our ladies with there being much hilarity and giggles along the way. The afternoon teas went down very well with whatever beverage they chose ranging from champagne to a cup of tea.

A raffle followed the quiz and the afternoon ended with thanks from President Ann and ISO Mary thanking everyone for attending and all who had contributed to making the afternoon a success. As well as having a fabulous time the ladies raise an amazing £378.50 for the Butterfly Tree Project to eradicate Malaria.

**Mansfield District Council has agreed its annual budget and medium term financial strategy.**



The 2021/22 budget, approved by councillors at Full Council on Wednesday 27 January, is designed to help the council deliver its future ambitions under the priority areas of Aspiration, Growth, Wellbeing and Place.

A total of £830,000 in savings have been made out of a net budget requirement of £10.6m in order to balance the budget at a time of increased demand on services, combined with a significant reduction in income due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Additional one-off government grants have helped to balance the budget, along with savings from a reduction in the number of printed issues of the council magazine My Mansfield, a reduction in Cabinet members and a 2.7% increase in Council Tax.

The increase means those living in Band A properties will pay a total of £129.81 - just 35p a day for all the services provided by Mansfield District Council.

The council's share of the Council Tax bill is about 10% with the remaining 90% that residents pay going to Nottinghamshire County Council and other county services, such as the police and fire service.

Executive Mayor Andy Abrahams said: "It is never an easy decision to raise Council Tax but this 2.7% increase will bring in an extra £167,000 to help maintain vital council services in the district.

"For the vast majority of our residents, who live in Band A properties, it means they will pay an extra £3.33 for the whole year, equivalent to just over 6p each week."

Despite funding constraints, the council is committed to starting work on 99 affordable and council homes in the next year, as part of a five-year aspirational target to build more than 200 new council homes in the district by 2023.

The Mayor said: "As well providing much needed affordable homes, the construction of them will help to stimulate the economy at this very difficult time, supporting local businesses and providing work and training opportunities for local people."

"These homes will be eco-friendly and built to a high quality to future-proof them for new environmental housing standards to be brought in the years ahead."

Among the items approved by the Full Council were some increases

in fees and charges, mostly in line with inflation.

There was also a 1.7% increase in council home rents, in line with Government guidelines. Any income from council rent goes towards improving and building council housing within the district.

Cllr Craig Whitby, Portfolio Holder for Corporate and Finance, said: "We have tried to spread the burden of balancing the budget by making small charges such as some targeted increases in some fees and charges."

"There will also be a reduction in the number of printed editions of My Mansfield residents' magazine from three to two a year."

Although Mansfield District Council collects Council Tax, it does so on behalf of Nottinghamshire County Council, Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner, Notts Fire and Rescue Authority (and Warsop Parish Council if you live in Warsop).

The total Council Tax bill will be confirmed on 9 March once all the elements are known.

Only 10p in every £1 paid by Mansfield residents comes to the district council; 90p goes to the county council and other organisations.

The Mansfield District Council share of the bill, provides residents with a wide range of vital services. They include:

- Emptying 10,000 bins daily
- Recycling and composting 13,200 tonnes of waste each year
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- Clearing 1,847 incidents of fly-tipping, at a cost of about £103,000.
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- Preventing people from becoming homeless and working with partner organisations to provide accommodation and specialist support for those living on the streets.
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Actually taking the steps in the right direction can be hard to do when you don't know where or how to start and you struggle to motivate yourself in the first place.

All the data in the world won't help you to get out of bed earlier in the morning to go for that walk if it doesn't feel important and personal enough to you.

Self-care is a term that is used a lot at the moment and is so important in these difficult times, but what if you don't even know what self-care looks like for you and even if you did you haven't got time to look after yourself because you're so busy looking after everyone else?



The Health and Wellbeing Coaches are here to listen to you and your lifestyle concerns and how they may be impacting your health. We can help you to decide what is important for you and assist you to create personal short-term lifestyle goals and support you to implement them, which could lead to long-term lifestyle changes and health benefits as a result.

It could be as simple as drinking more water, eating fewer sugary snacks, going for a daily walk, but the important thing is that it works for you. We are here to guide you, and sometimes educate you about the impact of your lifestyle choices, but ultimately, you are in the driving seat of your own life and you will take the lead on what choices and changes you are ready to implement.

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# CAR Warsop

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The CAR Warsop telephone number is:  
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**The Friends of Thynghowe**  
*Thynghowe and the forgotten heritage of Sherwood*

# Covid Cancels Thynghowe 2021 Events

**Sadly none of our events celebrating the heritage of Birklands forest have taken place during the past twelve months due to Covid19.**

However, we managed to take part in one (suitably distanced) work session clearing rhododendron plants from the banks of the Black Pool. After several years of sawing and lopping, the edges of this valuable habitat are clear for the first time in a while. This pool is the only water source in this part of the woodlands and is important for many wildlife species.

During the drought periods in recent years the pool has dried up for the first time that I am aware of. Black Pool is located close to the spot where the Russian Log Cabin was located and may have been part of the ornamental landscape created by the Dukes of Portland. The introduction of invasive rhododendron plants into this area is probably part of the duke's planting plans.

Even though all organised events are suspended you can still enjoy walking through the forest on your own.


Forestry thinning operations have been taking place in the area of woodlands to the north of Hanger Hill. There should be minimal disruption to public paths but please respect any warning signs.

One benefit of this work has been the improvement of the road surface close to Budby Pumping Station. As usual, the Friends of Thynghowe were consulted by Forestry England ahead of these operations to ensure that any archaeologically sensitive area are protected by exclusion zones and restricted access routes.

Our original web site is currently unavailable for a variety of reasons but information about Thynghowe and the heritage of Birklands Forest can be accessed at:  
**thynghowe521978831.wordpress.com**

We also have a new email address:  
**friendsofthynghowe@gmail.com**

Our Facebook page remains:  
**www.facebook.com/Thynghowe**



You can also find out about our research and activities from our website and Facebook page and you may email us on [thynghowe@warsopweb.co.uk](mailto:thynghowe@warsopweb.co.uk) or contact us by phone on 846281.

The Vikings of Sherwood project is supported by the National Lottery through the Heritage Lottery Fund.

**www.thynghowe.org.uk**  
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## The Parish Church of Warsop with Sookholme



### Parish Church 200 Club

The winning numbers in the August 2020 draw at the Stable Barn were:



A total of £200 was given out in prize money.

Places are still available for those who wish to join the 200 club.  
Call Jenny on 01623 842487 for more information.

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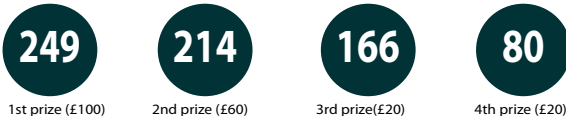


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Rector: **The Rev'd Angela Fletcher**  
The Rectory, Church Rd, Church Warsop Tel: 01623 843290  
Reader: **Miss Pat Brewin**  
8 Burnt Oak Close, M/Woodhouse Tel: 01623 424116

### Cemetery opening hours

Month	Opening Times Mon -Fri	Opening Times Sat, Sun and Bank Holidays	Closing Times Mon -Sun Inclusive
May	8.30 am	9.00 am	8.00 pm
Jun, Jul	8.30 am	9.00 am	8.30 pm
Aug	8.30 am	9.00 am	7.30 pm
Sept	8.30 am	9.00 am	6.00 pm
Oct	8.30 am	9.00 am	5.00 pm
Nov, Dec	8.30 am	9.00 am	4.00 pm

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC WARSOP CEMETERY

If you have any complaints regarding the Cemetery please contact:

**Sally Curtis, Registrar of Cemeteries 01623 621811**

### Wiggly Worship

Takes place in the Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul  
on the second Wednesday of each month 1.15pm - 3pm.

All families with pre-school children welcome

### Sunday Morning

8.30am **Holy Communion**

10.00am **Holy Communion**

activities are provided for children of all ages

11.30am **Holy Communion**

at Sookholme on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month.

### Sunday Evening

**1st Sunday in March, June, September and December - 6pm**

**Hope and Remembrance Service**

Please note that communion can be arranged at home  
for those unable to get to church.

### Parish Centre Bookings

For Wedding and Baptism bookings please call-in at the Parish  
Centre 6-7pm on Tuesdays.

Mrs Pamela Stevenson our Parish Administrator works from the  
office in the Parish Centre on Tuesdays from 3.30pm to 6.30pm  
and on Thursday's between 9.30am and 3.30pm.

We can handle general enquires in person by phone  
01623 842165 or by email office@warsopparishchurch.org.uk.

## REGISTERS FOR WARSOP PARISH CHURCH

### FUNERALS

2nd November 2020	Mavis Dale	91
2nd November 2020	Kathleen Clayton	86
4th November 2020	Joy Madin	63
6th November 2020	Baron Wilson	91
12th November 2020	Barrie Duckmanton	92
12th November 2020	Shaun Addison	50
19th November 2020	Maureen Cullen	80
20th November 2020	Doreen Henshaw	67
20th November 2020	Brian Simpson	65
23rd November 2020	Sheila Bennett	82
26th November 2020	Paul (Zak) Maddison	66
30th November 2020	Mandy Watkins	60
30th November 2020	Gail Dodd	
3rd December 2020	Mary Moody	92
9th December 2020	Keith Roberts	79
11th December 2020	Pam Radford	77
14th December 2020	Mavis Bradbury	91
14th December 2020	Dora Pickering	84
16th December 2020	Ann Duro	85
17th December 2020	Beryl Blower	70
21st December 2020	Ray Parker	69
22nd December 2020	Alice Lawton	96
30th December 2020	Valerie Quinn	80

### WEDDINGS

30th December 2020	Josh Copestake and Jemma Hudson
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# CROSS KEYS

## COFFEE SHOP & LUNCHEON CLUB

Every Tuesday WARSOP PARISH CENTRE (The Tudor Barn)

Coffee Shop 10am-2pm

Lunch will be served between 12-1.30pm

We offer you an opportunity to meet friends, enjoy a meal, snack or  
just a drink, to find out what is happening in the Parish or just relax.





This picture from the Old Warsop Society archives shows the old Hare and Hounds Inn on Church Street with a Spencers van outside.

## Old Warsop Society

**Lockdowns and others restrictions have resulted in the Old Warsop Society being unable to meet for the past twelve months but we have continued to share free publications with our members.**

Our 2021 calendar has been well received and our latest booklet based on materials in our archives may have been delivered by now.

Luckily I was looking after several of the society's photograph albums before lockdown so I have been able to start scanning the images and cataloguing them. We are sharing many of these on our Facebook page. Everybody can view them on facebook.com/oldwarsopsociety where you are welcome to add your comments, corrections and recollections. Over the past year we have posted over 600 photographs on Facebook.

We have also added to our archives by taking photographs of Warsop during lockdown. Hopefully in years to come folk will be able to reflect on local life during these unusual times.

If you have had a lockdown sort out and have discovered any old photographs of Warsop please consider donating them to the Old Warsop Society.

We are particularly interested in views of local scenes, buildings and events. If you don't want to part with the original a scanned electronic copy is fine.

You can find us at [facebook.com/oldwarsopsociety](https://facebook.com/oldwarsopsociety)

## Warsop & District u3a

**Are you looking for something to do now and when we can meet freely hopefully in the near future?**

If so you could join us and take part in some of the activities we undertake. The U3A is aimed at people who are retired, semi-retired or are simply working part time. There is no age restriction. There is a monthly meeting for all members and several groups that operate throughout each month.

As you are no doubt aware the monthly meetings that are held on the second Monday of the month in the Tudor Barn will not have been taking place. Also several groups have had to pause due to covid restrictions.

There are however groups within Warsop U3A that have been operating, mostly using the Zoom meeting software.

The photography group has been undertaking a monthly challenge and sharing the results via email and Facebook. Some of the members have entered U3A photography competitions and at least one member has got to the final stages of the competitions.

The History group has held regular Zoom meetings with a variety of activities including two very interesting talks by an outside speaker on 'Castles of Nottinghamshire' and the symbology surrounding the need to ward off the threat of evil in medieval and more recent historical times. These were presented by James Wright (archaeologist) of Triskele Heritage. Other talks have been provided by U3A members, including 'My Fathers War' about his period of active service and then as a prisoner of war. Also there are other activities that don't lend themselves to a Zoom meeting planned for when the group can meet face to face.

The Natural History, Science and Technology group had an interesting and informative talk on DNA given by a group member and have other talks planned.

The walking group has been walking in the local area operating in small groups when restrictions have allowed.

Other groups are itching to get going when conditions allow. Why not give us a try if you want to find out more email:

[warsopu3amembers@btinternet.com](mailto:warsopu3amembers@btinternet.com)

Or look at our website [www.u3asites.org.uk/Warsop](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/Warsop)

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websites: [www.saint.joseph.org.uk](http://www.saint.joseph.org.uk)  
[www.stphilipmansfield.com](http://www.stphilipmansfield.com)

email: [spnmansfield@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:spnmansfield@hotmail.co.uk)

All enquiries, including baptisms and marriages, to Father John directly. Funeral Directors contact the Parish Priest directly.

**Sunday Mass is celebrated at 10.45am**

## St Teresa's Church Hall

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For more information please contact:

St Teresa's RC Church, Ridgeway Terrace, Warsop, NG20 0LX

Email [saintteresascatholicchurch@gmail.com](mailto:saintteresascatholicchurch@gmail.com)

Twitter @stteresachurch

Website [www.saint-joseph.org.uk/st-teresas/](http://www.saint-joseph.org.uk/st-teresas/)

## Warsop & District u3a

u3a gives you the chance to develop your interests, make new friends and enjoy yourself, Open to anyone who is retired or semi retired.

**u3a**  
Warsop & District

**LEARN • LAUGH • LIVE**

**Group sessions are currently suspended due to the pandemic.**

We are hoping to back up and running again at some point in the new year.

For more information, please contact

**01623 846128** or email  
[warsopu3amembers@btinternet.com](mailto:warsopu3amembers@btinternet.com)





### Police Team Contact Details

- **PC Kev Parsons**  
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- **PCSO Katharine Spowage 4279**  
Tel: 101 • Mobile: 07971 784174  
Email: katharine.spowage4279@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk
- **PC Richards Cutt**  
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Email: richard.cutt1@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

### Warden Contact Details

- **MDC Warden Chris Wilcockson**  
Tel: 07791 481678  
Email: cwilcockson@mansfield.gov.uk
- **MDC Warden Andy Gwynn**  
Tel: 07814 390615  
Email: agwynn@mansfield.gov.uk
- **MDC Warden Ben Bacon**  
Tel: 07976 405335  
Email: bbacon@mansfield.gov.uk

**Mansfield District Council - Anti-Social Behaviour Team**  
Tel: 01623 463377 Web: asb@mansfield.gov.uk

Please remember that if you are reporting a crime you need to contact Mansfield Police Station on 101 or in the event of an emergency to ring 999.

# Police Report

## If you don't report it we don't know its happening!

It has been brought to the attention of the Warsop Neighbourhood Team that people are using social media to complain about Antisocial Behaviour and incidents of criminality.

However it appears they are not reporting this to the Police, Could we please ask people to report non urgent incidents to incl.de Covid 19 breaches using the 101 number and emergencies on 999.

Any incidents reported are viewed by the Warsop Team on a daily basis even if they have been dealt with by other officers, this helps us to see what is happening in our area thus allowing us to conduct patrols in the areas that need our presence.

By viewing reported incidents the Police can build up a picture of what is needed to tackle the issues important to the residents of Warsop.

Please by all means continue to contact us on our mobiles we are always happy to hear from you and offer help but ALL incidents should be reported to 101 or 999.

*Warsop Neighbourhood Police Team*



NIDAS is a registered charity, and our main aim is to help people experiencing domestic abuse.

### What services do we provide?

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Support for Children

Tel: 01623 683250  
Tel: 01623 683250

For information go to our website [www.nidas.org.uk](http://www.nidas.org.uk)



**Equation is a Nottingham-based specialist charity that works with the whole community to reduce the impact of domestic abuse, sexual violence and gender inequality.**

Email: [info@equation.org.uk](mailto:info@equation.org.uk)

Call the local domestic abuse helpline for men on 0115 960 5556, run by Equation.

## Do you have a story to share?

**Have you celebrated a special occasion?**

**If so, we'd love to hear from you!**

**We want to hear from local people with local stories.**

**Please send a write up, photos and information to:**

**[Warsopnews@aol.com](mailto:Warsopnews@aol.com)**



## Delivery of New Bins is 'Wheelie' Good News!

**Residents across Mansfield district will start receiving their recycling bins for glass from Monday 1 February.**

The wheelie bins will be delivered in batches from now until the end of March ahead of the kerbside glass recycling collections starting in April.

This will allow residents to start saving their clean, empty glass jars and bottles for recycling instead of putting them in their green household waste bin.

All colours of glass bottles and jars that have had lids removed, can be put in the bin, which is black with a teal coloured lid. Other types of glass such as pyrex, mirrors, light bulbs and drinking glasses can't go in the bin.

Executive Mayor Andy Abrahams said:

"The arrival of the bins is a really exciting step towards our free kerbside glass recycling collections starting in spring.

"The scheme will be better for the environment, increase the amount we recycle, and reduce the amount of glass going to landfill or for incineration. We also hope it will reduce the contamination of recyclable materials in existing blue bins.

"It is a key part of the council's agenda to be a cleaner, greener and more welcoming district and this is a major step towards achieving this goal. Thank you to Cllr Andy Burgin, Portfolio Holder for Environment, for his involvement in bringing the project to fruition after many years of discussions."

A personalised calendar showing when glass bins will be emptied will arrive at homes with Council Tax letters in mid-March. You can also check all your bin days online and sign up for free bin day email reminders at [www.mansfield.gov.uk/bins](http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/bins).

Some homes such as flats and complexes will receive communal bins rather than individual bins. Where bins cannot be provided due to a lack of space, residents can continue using privately-owned bottle banks across the district. In addition, the council is working to provide its own bottle banks in suitable locations to make it as easy as possible for the affected households to recycle glass.

People who live in these properties will receive separate information with their Council Tax letters.

Residents are advised to take their bins in off the footpath as soon as possible after they are delivered and put their house number on the bin.

Residents who haven't already opted out of receiving a bin but no longer want one, are asked to wait until their bin arrives before contacting the council by emailing: [mdc@mansfield.gov.uk](mailto:mdc@mansfield.gov.uk).

The council aims to collect the unwanted bins within 10 working days.

## FREE SERVICE

**As a local person who now works as a Police Community Support Officer for Nottinghamshire Police, I would like you all to know about a free service available to you as I feel many of you are missing out.**

Neighbourhood Alert (also known as Nottinghamshire Alert) is a community messaging system that allows the force, Neighbourhood Watch and other public organisations to distribute messages concerning community safety to members of the public quickly and efficiently.

It is a secure, web-based system that allows authorised administrators, including neighbourhood policing teams and suitable police staff, to log in and send messages to registered members, and manage their membership locally.

Nottinghamshire Alert allows Nottinghamshire Police, local authorities, Neighbourhood Watch and other public organisations to keep local people informed about issues affecting their area in a timely way.

You can choose which organisations can contact you, what information you'd like to receive and whether you'd like to receive messages by email, text message or voice message.

To sign up for updates please visit the website:

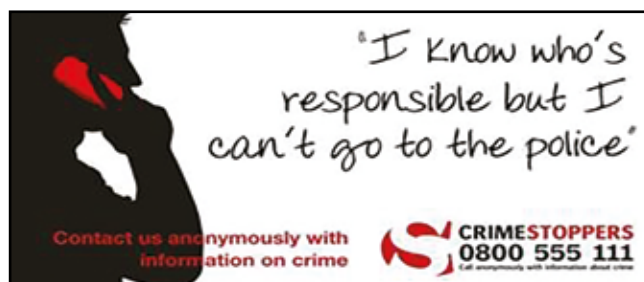
**[www.nottinghamshirealert.co.uk](http://www.nottinghamshirealert.co.uk)**

and provide brief information and we will do the rest.

If you have any questions please contact me on:

**[yvonne.pickersgill@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:yvonne.pickersgill@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk)** and I will get back to you as soon as I possibly can.

*PCSO Yvonne Pickersgill*



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# Locky Lama's Clubhouse

The children of Warsop Vale have remained upbeat and entertained during these uncertain times, due to an online Facebook group set up by my partner, Andrew Wilmott and myself, Andrea Barthorpe called Locky Lama's Clubhouse, not forgetting Timmy the dog as our mascot.



The group encourages the local children to take part in monthly competitions and activities during these uncertain times, to keep them upbeat and have some fun on the way and the chance of winning a prize.

It is supported by the parents and residents of Warsop Vale and the surrounding villages.

It has gone down really well with everyone, we got nominated for a star award by one of the local residents for our contribution to the community during lockdown.

Here's some of the activities and competitions we have been doing:-

- Village calendar
- Junior Bake Off
- Timmys Bone Trail
- Christmas Jumper competition
- Make a Christmas decoration
- Winter Wonderland Quiz
- Snowman Competitions
- Santa Claus Virtual Event
- Golden Ticket Event
- Pet of the month competition

It's has been great to see so many of the children joining in. It's sure put a smile on their faces and ours too. There are so many talented young people out there, the junior Bake Off was a prime example, their creativity was amazing!

Locky Lama's Clubhouse will continue to do future competitions and is in the process of planning for spring time events.

Andrea Barthorpe.



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**Warsop Parish Council help fund spaces for  
Warsop Parish residents to seek advice.**



# WARSOP

## Footpath & Countryside Group

**A positive aspect of the periods of Covid restrictions and lockdowns has been the increased number of people enjoying winter walks around Warsop's countryside.**

Once away from the more popular paths close to the villages it is easy to remain distanced from other walkers. Avoiding mud after wet weather is not always as easy but several routes tend to be drier. One of these is the path from Stonebridge Lane to Warsop Vale and then on to Shirebrook Station via the restored pit site and the former colliery railway line. You may then walk around the woodlands of Shirebrook Wood on the former Shirebrook pit tip. Another good winter route follows the Upper Cross Lane from the top of Cherry Grove. This allows a longer walk by following the path past the sewage works towards Buddy and into the forest.



By now there should be many of signs of spring in the countryside. In open areas in woodlands look out for yellow flowers of Lesser Celandine, the blue of Violets and the white of Wood Anemone. Hawthorn leaf buds will soon be bursting. In late April the first Bluebells and Early Purple Orchids should be flowering. Birds will be nesting and once the weather warms up Peacock, Brimstone and Small Tortoiseshell butterflies should be around.

If you have a garden pond, frogs may have already mated and produced spawn. Last autumn I dug up a small patch of the grass in my garden and sowed a wildflower and grass mix. I am now looking forward to seeing which flowers have germinated and whether insects are attracted by them once they bloom. Early spring is also a good time for sowing a wildflower meadow provided you water it in dry weather.

Despite lockdowns and Coronavirus restrictions we have managed to hold a few work sessions over the winter months. We cut the grass on the Rhein o' Thorns SSSI, we completed hedge and path work on the Church Warsop Doorstep Green, and we cleared vegetation from the sides of paths on the Warsop Vale pit site. Some other tasks have been completed by individual members of the group as part of their daily exercise regime.

The Footpaths Group's organised walks are not currently taking place due to Covid restrictions. However, if you are looking for ideas for some different walks within our local area, take a look at the Walking and Publications sections of our warsopcountryside.wordpress.com website. We are very fortunate to have so many excellent walks in our local area and there must be folk living elsewhere that are very envious of us during lockdown.

warsopfcg@icloud.com  
www.wfcg.org.uk  
warsopcountryside.wordpress.com

**Our Secretary can be contacted on 01623 846281.**

*WF&CG is a community group whose members share an interest in the countryside. We maintain the public footpath network in Warsop, we undertake conservation projects and we provide information about the local environment.*

## MEDEN VALE COLTS FC

**Football is back live and kicking in Meden Vale**

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## Market Warsop Football Club

A Charter Standard Community Football Club for young players of all ages and abilities!

Training and playing at probably one of the best home grounds in the county, The John Fretwell Sporting Complex, Market Warsop Football Club are long established in the district & exist to support young players to achieve their potential in sport. We are a family friendly club with fully qualified and DBS checked coaches playing their part in supporting grassroots football in your local area.

Call us on 07925107277 to find out how you can join us!  
**Stop press:** New U7's development squad now training & U14's (Yr9) looking for committed players!!

## Warsop Judo Club



The Shed, Wood Street, Warsop

Every Tuesday 6.30pm - 8.30pm • £4.00

For more information call Paul Robinson on

**01623 843726 or 07734 393935**

or just come along on Tuesday

## WARSOP LIBRARY



### OPENING HOURS

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	9.30am - 12.30pm
Wednesday	9.30am - 12.30pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	9.30am - 12.30pm
Saturday	Closed

**We've worked hard to reopen our libraries with the priority of keeping customers and staff safe.**

We've reviewed our service and reorganised our spaces, introduced social distancing and hygiene measures.

The above opening times are being constantly reviewed so please check on our website:

**www.inspireculture.org.uk**

Or telephone Ask Libraries on:

**01623 677200**

for any further information.



Registered Charity 512326

## THE OAKLANDS

Oakfield Lane • Warsop

**Our yearly events are as follows and will be held in accordance with current government guidelines.**

## EASTER FAYRE

Saturday 27th March 2021 - 10am - 12pm

## SPRING FAYRE

Saturday 15th May 2021 - 10am - 12pm

Stalls available £10 each

## SUMMER FAYRE

Saturday 31st July 2021 - 10am - 12pm

Stalls available £10 each

## AUTUMN FAYRE

Saturday 2nd October 2021 - 10am - 12pm

Stalls available £10 each

## CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 4th December 2021 - 10am - 12pm

Everyone welcome and refreshments are provided at all our fayres.

*Main proceeds towards The Oaklands Centre.*

**01623 844034 – Alison – OAKLANDS**

**01623 843381 – Brenda – CHARITY SHOP**

## Carers and Partners Social Group (CaPs)

**we are hoping to be up and running again in the new year.**

**Oaklands Community Centre NG20 0JE  
11am-3.30pm**

CaPs is now in its 3rd year and we have grown out of the Stable Barn. As we are reluctant to say no to anyone who wants to join us we have had to seek alternative accommodation. The most suitable venue in Warsop for our growing group is the Oaklands Community Centre. The Centre administrator has welcomed us and we had our first meeting there in August.

### The Carers and Partners Group

is for anyone caring for a relative at home of any age or ability and in need of constant care. If your partner is already in full time care but you feel the need for support then you also are welcome.

**Please call Mary on 01623 844720**

**if you would like to join us  
or drop in for a coffee**

## DANCE CLASSES

**at Eglington Village Hall**

**Every Saturday**

**Ballroom, Latin & Salsa classes**

NATD & ISTD qualified

Under 7's- 9.30-10.30am

Over 7's- 10.30-12.30pm

**For more details contact**

**Jil on: 07790 601 877**

**ADULT CLASSES & PRIVATE LESSONS ALSO AVAILABLE.**









# Consultation Questionnaire

**This questionnaire is for residents within Warsop Parish only. Anyone entering a postcode outside of the Parish or not at all will not be included in the consultation results. A questionnaire can be filled in by each registered adult in the household.**

You can also fill the questionnaire in online via survey monkey. The survey monkey link will be posted on the Parish Council website and Facebook page or by filling out this paper questionnaire below.

The only questionnaire that will be counted in the Parish Councils results will be this one, please do not try to submit any group responses as they will not be included.

## Please tick your answers.

1. Do you want to keep the Town Hall? If you answered yes to question 1 then answer questions 2,3,4 and 6 onwards  
if you answered no to question 1 go to question 5. YES ☐ NO ☐
2. Would you be happy for the Parish Council to increase the precept (council tax) to pay for the repairs and maintenance (including the building survey works)? YES ☐ NO ☐
3. If you answered yes to keeping the Town Hall and would like this to be done via a community group, would you be willing to be part of that group and take on the full responsibility of the Town Hall? YES ☐ NO ☐
4. Is there another way the money can be raised to pay for the maintenance and repairs (including the building survey works) of the Town Hall? *(Please write your suggestions below).*  
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5. If you answered no to keeping the Town Hall, what would your preference be from the following options? *(You can tick or number them in order of preference if you wish).*

**Staff working from home** ☐

**Rent** ☐

**Buy** ☐

**Improve the Town Centre (aesthetically, bicycle stands, bunting, floral displays, etc)** ☐

**Maintain areas within the Parish (providing more bins, benches, etc)** ☐

**Outreach Programs (to tackle anti-social behaviour or other local issues)** ☐

**Support & encourage local businesses (old and new)** ☐

**Seasonal decorations (Christmas, Remembrance, etc)** ☐

**Continue to support local groups/organisations** ☐

**Continue to provide CAB** ☐

**Continue to provide WPNs** ☐

**Financially support a base for the police** ☐

**Pop up sessions with Cllrs/staff in each area of the Parish** ☐

**Support a group to provide extra youth connection sessions for 11-19-year-olds (youth club)** ☐

**Provide support to groups tackling loneliness** ☐

**Provide support to groups for the elderly** ☐

**Provide a market** ☐

**Invest and co-ordinate community events (fun runs, pop up cinema, etc)** ☐

**Provide or support for educational courses (health & safety, etc) and well-being courses (mental health awareness)** ☐

**Invest in leisure activities/facilities** ☐
6. What would you like to see the precept spent on? Please prioritise these in order of importance from 1 to 5, 1 being the highest priority and 5 the lowest.

If there is something that isn't mentioned on the list that's a priority to you, please add it here:

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**The above are suggestions and there is no guarantee that we can commit to these.**



Welfare Clinic in new Town Hall 1933.

If you have any other relevant comments please write them below.

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## Please give your details here.

Surname: .....

Postcode: .....

Age Range: 18-29 ☐ 30-39 ☐ 40-49 ☐ 50-59 ☐ 60-69 ☐ 70-79 ☐ 80+ ☐

**This information will only be used to verify that you live within the Parish of Warsop, ensure any duplicates are removed and gather statistics on the age range of the audience. The information will then be destroyed.**

**The deadline for all responses to be submitted is:  
Sunday 11th April 2021**

The paper copy of the questionnaire should be posted through the Town Hall letter box in a sealed envelope and addressed to Warsop parish council.

If you are unable to fill in a questionnaire electronically and require additional hard copies for members of your household or are unable to return your completed questionnaire to the Town Hall, or any additional information required can be requested, please contact:

**The Clerk to Warsop Parish Council**

Office: **01623 846011**

Mobile: **07821783358**

Email: **theclerk@warsopparishcouncil.co.uk**