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Charity Donations

In the last few weeks there have been two charity presentation nights in the village. In total well in excess of £11,000 has been shared out between the recipient organisations.

The first presentations were at a social event held in the Village Hall and hosted by Bernard and Mary Blashill, when the proceeds from the Heritage Weekend were shared between Dove House Hospice, St Mary's Church and Welwick Village Hall. There was also a presentation by the Holderness Threshermen of the money they raised from Carol Singing and the Annual Threshing at Moat Farm.

The second event was a presentation night in the Coach and Horses when the money raised by Eric and Charlie at the Christmas Auction was shared by a number of charities with the balance of £200 going to the Village Hall to help with running costs.

The support given to the events at which the money was raised is very much appreciated by all those concerned, particularly in these difficult times.

Diary date to note:

April

10th (Good Friday) Charity Bike Ride 11.00 am Moat Farm

Charity Bike Ride

The first of this year's events to raise money for charity is the Welwick Two Wheelers Bike Ride to Kilnsea. As usual it will start at 11.00 a.m. on Good Friday (10th April) from Moat Farm. Sponsorship forms can be obtained from Mick Wilkin at Elder Lodge or Bernard Blashill at Moat Farm. This is always a fun day out so if you are fit and healthy, have access to a bicycle and want to help to raise money for good causes get your sponsorship forms now.

Why not in Welwick

The following is a letter that the Parish Council request be circulated in the newsletter, which was received from Janet Wheelwright a local resident and whose permission has been granted to reproduce it here. It was in response to her receiving the finished Parish Plan booklet.

Congratulations to all those involved in producing our village plan! It made fascinating reading. Apparently, 90% of our households returned the comprehensive questionnaire. The responses suggest that we're all waiting for more things to happen here.

My family has only lived in

Welwick for the last 17 years but I'd like to make a few suggestions and would be happy to be involved if other residents are interested.

Three suggestions...

Walking group. Many of us tend not to walk around here because footpaths are either a local secret or non-existent. When walking from the Patrington bus, we risk life and limb. A Welwick walking group might motivate some of us to get fitter and clarify the situation around our village. Besides it's great to find out who our neighbours are.

Community Gardening. Young people have precious little to do in our village and run the risk of being demonised if they're too visible. To some of us, gardening can either be a real drag or simply physically impossible. Why not channel all that energy and help out in village gardens? Of course, I don't mean hours of rampaging around haphazardly waving a fork in the air but a carefully planned, supervised programme. Perhaps a community allotment is more feasible. The questionnaire says 54 people want flower tubs in the village; lets give them something to be proud of. What was that about Welwick in Bloom?

Reading group. OK not everyone makes time for reading but those of us who do sometimes long to talk about a great book we've just finished. Not only that, choosing the same old type of book can leave us feeling jaded. A monthly book group would encourage us all to branch out a bit.

Daft ideas? Fair enough. However if you want to take them further, let me know.

First Responder Scheme.

On Tuesday the 20th January a member of the ambulance organisation visited Welwick Village Hall to give a presentation to those that had shown an interest in the role and requirements of a first responder. Despite a low turnout there were sufficient volunteers to progress to the next stage of the Parish having its own first responder team. If successful then this would be completion of one of the actions identified on the 5-year Parish Plan. If anyone else is interested or would like to know more about the scheme, contact Mick Wilkin who has leaflets explaining the role of a First Responder.

Holderness Area Rural Transport. (HART)

The service's aim is to offer access to door-to-door transport for rurally isolated residents, those with mobility problems and/or those who lack confidence to use public transport. The administration is based in Hornsea but a bus is permanently based at Withernsea High School to serve the residents of Withernsea and the villages of South Holderness. The bus, a new Mercedes Pronto, can be adapted to take 16 seats or a mixture of seats and wheelchair access. Users of the HART bus book places on weekly shopping runs using a call centre or ring the office to book trips. Local groups also use the service, often travelling further afield. Trips that have also been arranged from Withernsea and South Holderness are currently shown in the HART newsletter (see public notice board in North Lane)

Users receive 4 newsletters annually and are invited to attend annual meetings, transport free, so that they can keep HART in touch with what's needed.

In addition HART operates a private car scheme, which is very successful in Hornsea. This also operates in the Withernsea area too but fewer people here volunteer to drive their own cars.

All drivers are MIDAS trained and CRB checked every 3/4 years. Volunteer drivers can claim up to £10 expenses per day trip. More volunteer drivers are always welcome.

If you know of a local transport need that HART might provide, be it for individuals or a group please call Caroline on 01964 536684

Dog Fouling

There have been one or two instances recently of dog owners allowing their dogs to foul pavements and grassed areas around the village and not clearing up after them. We are sure that if those concerned stop to think about what they are doing they will realise that they are creating a health hazard and can make walking around the village unpleasant for both adults and children. It is also an offence under the East Riding's Dog Control Order which could lead to an £80 fixed penalty fine.

Council News

Council Representatives.

B. Blashill, M Brankley,
C Johnson, G Kitching,
L Malkin, C Thornton,
M Wilkin.

Items covered at the meeting of the 2nd December included progress of funding and estimates in connection with the war memorial, prioritising the actions from the Parish Plan and an update on progress of those actions that have commenced. In addition it was agreed that Graham Stuart M.P. should be sent a copy of the Parish Plan. EYRC to be approached to ascertain whether monies are available for additional street lighting. The 2009 parish precept was approved. Requested that the clerk write to EYRC asking them to advertise the Parish Council vacancy in the local press.

Next meeting Tuesday 24th February 2009 7.30 Village Hall.

St Mary's Church

Service every Sunday 9.45 am

Family Service every 3rd Sunday

Church Wardens:

Dorothy Thorne:

Jean Wilkin:

Village Hall

Keep Fit (Step): Every Monday 7 – 8pm

Indoor Bowls: Every Wednesday 2 - 4 pm and 7.30 – 9.30pm

Whist Drive: Every 3rd Saturday 7.30pm

Mobile Library:

Every Other Wednesday 10.20 – 10.40 Corner of North Lane and Main Street (Next visit 25th February)

Any interesting news items, stories, photos old or new which you would like to share with others in the village or want to advertise a coming event then contact one of the following:

Pam or Mick