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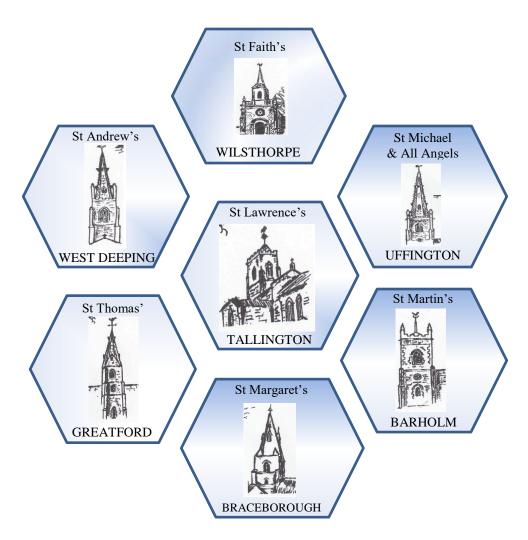
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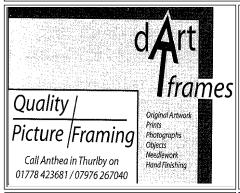
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The Revd Carolyn Kennedy remains unwell and because of deteriorating multiple chronic health conditions she will be taking medical retirement. Carolyn will formally leave the Uffington group of parishes once the Church of England Pensions Board has arranged retirement housing.

In the meantime we continue to be grateful to the clergy of the Stamford churches and the retired clergy living in Market Deeping for their help with the services and other work of the church in the seven parishes.

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UFFINGTON

Church Flowers

June 4th – Jill Westcombe June 11th/18th – Alison Dodsworth June 25th – Jackie Rawden

Notice of AGM of Uffington Village Hall to be held in Casewick Chapel on Thursday 8 June 2016 at 7.30pm. Please come along and see how you can help us keep your village hall running for yourselves and for future generations. Under the terms of the "constitution" the following village organisations should each be represented by 2 members:

Parish Council Parochial Church Council,

Uffington Cricket Club Women's Institute and are therefore urged to appoint appropriate representatives.

Anita Hassall: Chair@uffingtonvillagehall.org.uk 01780 749373 Vanessa Kimberley: secretary@uffingtonvillagehall.org.uk 01780 239463 NB Note the change of venue due to General Election clash.

Flying the Flag. Either the Union Jack or St George's Flag was flown as follows:

Date	Event	Sponsor(s)
12 th April	Harry Carter's 18 th birthday	Mum, Dad & Joe
16 th April	EASTER DAY	PCC
21 st April	Funeral of Janet Rosemary Faux,	Judith Graham
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23 rd April	St George's Day	PCC
25 th April	ANZAC Day	Mr & Mrs Trollope
26 th April	"Happy Birthday, Daddy"	Beatrix Cornish
30 th April	Scarecrow Festival	PCC
1sr May	Scarecrow Festival	PCC
1 st May	Jacob Stenson's 18 th birthday	Mum

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White Elephant & Plant Stall. Thank you to all the many helpers, contributors and customers who visited our stall over the weekend. We raised the sum of £572.38 for Church Funds (last year was £500) MJ

Continued elsewhere:

Uffington Continued:

I write on behalf of the Church and Village Hall, the main beneficiaries of the Scarecrow Event, to thank very much everyone who helped over the weekend, putting up and taking down the tents, stalls and games, especially Sue and Martin Webster who loaned, put up and took down the catering marquee. I would also like to thank all the people who helped to run the catering and games on the Sunday and Monday, who together produced the wonderful weekend enjoyed by so many visitors to the village. We also had several stalls and events raising funds for the charities they represent, about £1000 raised all together. The events for the church and village hall raised slightly more than last year, I cannot be more precise as all the figures are not yet in. Altogether a very successful event and many thanks to all who helped or contributed in anyway, thank you very much. Please look at www.uffington.org to see all the photographs.

David Genever Chairman Scarecrow Committee

Uffington WI. Uffington WI unveiled the programme for the coming year at its May meeting last week, with speaker topics ranging from wool crafts and jewellery to space missions, folklore, Burghley House and the East Anglian Air Ambulance. The new committee are President, Gillian Johns, Vice President and press officer Sue Naden, treasurer Maggie Carter, and secretary Pauline Earley, with Alison Dodsworth, Sally Baker, June Taylor and Pam Norwood. Anita Hassall is Sick Visitor. The President thanked everyone who had baked items for the branch's cake stall at the village's annual Scarecrow Festival on the May Bank Holiday Sunday, which had proved as popular as ever. WI members - Vanessa Kimberley, Lynda Glover and Joan Hickman – also took the top three awards for scarecrows. May being the annual WI Resolutions Meeting, the branch voted to ask its representative at the national annual meeting in Liverpool to back the two resolutions put forward by the NFWI from more than 91,000 suggested by members. Pam Orme stated the case for the WI to work with the local community to support people who may be chronically lonely, and Alison Dodsworth spoke on the NFWI's call for government and industry to find solutions to the problem of microplastic fibres shed from synthetic clothing during washing accumulating in the world's oceans. The branch is planning an outing to Bourne Heritage Centre on June 14. Winners of a competition for a pink flower were 1 Joan Hickman, 2 Carole Breslin and 3 Alison Dodsworth. The next meeting is on June 7 when Keith Townsend will speak on space missions. The competition is for an item members would want to take with them into space.

WILSTHORPE

The next Service at St Faith's is Holy Communion at 10.30am on Sunday 4th June 2017. Please do come along and join us, where you will be made most welcome.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 28th July – Pimms & Plants evening at Willowcroft, Wilsthorpe. Full details will be in the July Towers & Spires.

Saturday 6th August – Coffee Morning at Braceborough & Wilsthorpe Village Hall, which will includes delicious homemade cakes, raffle, stalls and games for the children.

Also any offers of help cleaning the church, arranging flowers [just an hour or two a month!] and churchyard maintenance would also be greatly appreciated. Please contact Peter, Church Warden at Wilsthorpe Cottage or Susan, Treasurer at Corner Cottage.

A range of paperback books are still available at the church, 50p each or 3 for a £1 (a bargain!). The collection is regular refreshed.

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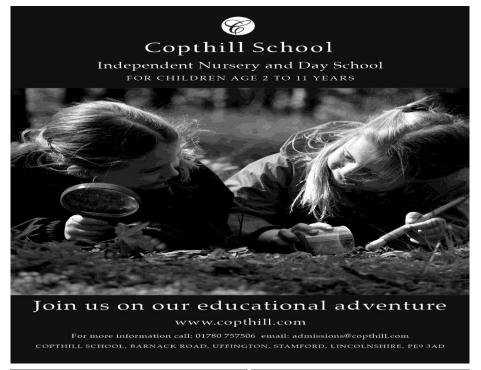
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BRACEBOROUGH & WILSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

At the AGM of the Parish Council held at St Faith's Church Cllr Dave Kentish were reelected Chairman with Cllr Paul Morriss Vice-Chairman. The end of year accounts were approved, information relating to these has been placed on the parish website.

The Parish Council meeting followed directly after with a member of the public again concerned about speeding through the villages.

Cllr Kentish opened the meeting by reporting that the Clerk, Rosemary Woolley, had hand in her resignation after twelve years faithful service. He thanked her for all her hard work and dedication during that time.

Cllr Morriss reported that he was still having difficulty contacting Ashton Estates in regard to the Cart Hovel and debris at Braceborough. Cllr Kentish reported that he was organizing a working party to clean the rubbish at the river bridge at Braceborough.

Councillors agreed that the Council would purchase one Speed Indicator Device only if successfully in their grant application.

It was agreed that there was no objection to the planning application for an erection of a single storey rear extension at Glenside, Wilsthorpe. The following had been approved: - erection of an oak framed single storey extension at The Forge, and demolition of existing outbuilding & erection of replacement outbuilding at Church Farm, both at Wilsthorpe. Work on the lime tree at Walnut Cottage, Braceborough was allowed.

D.Cllr Barry Dobson reported that Beverley Agass, Chief Executive of SKDC would be leaving to take up a job in Cambridgeshire. SKDC had appointed a new Leader & Deputy and Barry had become Vice-Chairman of Growth & Chairman of Shareholder Scrutiny & Overview Committee. Central Government funding was gradually being reduced to zero.

C.Cllr Rosemary Woolley thanked members of the Parish Council and all those in the parish who supported her successful election to Lincolnshire County Council. She then gave a brief report on the makeup of the new Council.

Next meeting to take place on Monday 3rd July at St Faith's Church, Wilsthorpe at 7.30pm. All welcome.

For more information on the Parish Council please go to http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/BraceboroughandWilsthorpe

Rosemary Woolley, Clerk to the Council

READINGS FOR JUNE

	Psalm	ОТ	NT	Gospel
4 th June PENTECOST	104:26-end		Acts 2:1-21	John 20:19-23
11 th June Trinity Sunday	Psalm 8	Isaiah 40:12-17, 27-end	2 Corinthians 13:11-end	Matthew 28:16-end
18 th June Trinity 1 (Proper 6)	Psalm 100	Exodus 19:2-8a	Romans 5:1-8	Matthew 9:35-10:8
25 th June Trinity 2 (Proper 7)	Psalm 69:8-20	Jeremiah 20:7-13	Romans 6:1b-11	Matthew 10:24-39
2 nd July Trinity 3 (Proper 8)	Psalm 89:8-18	Jeremiah 28:5-9	Romans 6:12-end	Matthew 10:40-end
at Barholm: St Martin's Day	Psalm 84	Isaiah 61:1-3		Matthew 5:13-16

The readings for Communion services are normally the NT and Gospel. For Morning and Evening Prayer they are usually the Psalm, OT and NT (though it may be wise to check with the preacher).

The liturgical colour for Pentecost (4th June) is red; changing to white for Trinity Sunday (11th June) and then to green for the "ordinary time" of the Sundays after Trinity.

FROM THE REGISTERS

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Church Services this month are: 11th June Holy Communion at 9am; 23rd June Family Service at 9am. Please join us at these services, you will be very welcome.

Bellringing: Greatford Practice night – Wednesday 28th June 7:30 to 9pm. All welcome. Contact Lois Webb if you want to find out more about ringing. 01778 560437 or email lois.m.webb1@gmail.com

Carlby & District WI: At the meeting on 9th May there was a talk entitled 'Life from a different perspective' by Sharon Kirk. The next meeting is on 13th June at 7.30 p.m at Carlby Village Hall and the topic is 'The Art of Handmade Flowers' with Svetlana Faulkner. New members and visitors are always welcome. For further information please telephone 01778 392838.

Mobile Library: opposite the phone box on Mondays from 12 – 12.30 on 12th June and 10 July

Greatford Church Kitchenette/ toilet The project to make the church more user-friendly is on hold as Anglian Water's preferred access for provision of a water connection from Greatford Gardens is currently not available: permission to traverse the road is not forthcoming. In the meantime the churchwardens are awaiting a quotation for a supply to run from the main road: this is likely to cost up to 10 times the original plan, which raises the possibility of the project being cancelled. Further updates will appear in future T & S.

Parish Council: The Best Kept Village Competition. Judging will start in June, they will be looking at cleanliness of telephone kiosk, notice board, signs, pavements, dykes, verges, churchyards, playing fields, village hall, commercial buildings, pub, how much litter etc. They don't mark gardens on beauty, so don't worry about dashing out and planting flowers! The SID speed sign was put up at the west end of Greatford on 11th April. It will be moved to another area of the village every so often. Hopefully traffic will take notice.

Getting to know your Neighbours evening in the village hall On Friday 2 June from 6 to 8 pm The first meeting last month was successful with nearly 50 neighbours attending so **please** come and join us. Nibbles will be provided, but please bring your own liquid refreshment. All ages are welcome and it is a Village event.

Flag Flying. You can help to raise funds by having the Union Jack or the Flag of St George flown in honour of any special event. The Flags can be flown at the Village Hall in aid of Village Hall Funds or on the flagpole outside the Church in aid of Church Funds. Please contact Cyril Webb on 560437 in either case. (or email: lois.m.webb1@gmail.com)

Sarah Rodriguez, the Old Rectory 07771603781 is organising a ladies get together night at the Hare and Hounds, Greatford from 7.30pm on Thursday 15th June. Please come along if you can.

We will remember them

In June, we will mark the centenary of the death of another man honoured on the First World War memorials in our parishes:

Private George Smith of the West Yorkshire Regiment died on 18th June 1917. Unfortunately George Smith is a man whose life story has been most difficult to research. Military records are clear that prior to enlistment in the army, George Smith lived in Timberland, Lincs and enlisted in Billinghay. He served initially in the 3/4th Battalion of the Lincolnshire Regiment – which was a reserve battalion (responsible for training recruits and men returning to duty after injury). George subsequently served in the 15th Battalion of the West Yorkshire Regiment – probably being drafted to that Battalion to replace men lost in action. That West Yorkshire Battalion had served in Egypt from 1915 before moving to France in March 1916 and then taking part in the Battle of the Somme during the summer and autumn – losing 180 men on 1st July 1916. In 1917 the Battalion took part in the Arras offensive, losing 164 men on 3rd May – the first day of the Third Battle of the Scarpe. George Smith died on 18th June 1917, and was buried in Germany, in Cologne Southern Cemetery - which by the end of the war had become the last resting place of over 1000 allied servicemen who had died in German prisoner of war camps. Although some prisoners of war died of exhaustion or accidents while being forced to work in German coalmines, stone quarries or steel works, by far the most common cause of prisoner death in wartime Germany was disease: prisoners weakened by wounds, poor diet, or fatigue were particularly susceptible to the effects of disease. It therefore seems likely that George was taken prisoner during the Battle of the Scarpe and succumbed to the effects of injury and disease six weeks later.

George evidently had some connection with Uffington (though his name is not sufficiently distinct to identify the precise association, or to discover his date of birth and details of his early life), and he is commemorated on the war memorial in St Michael and All Angels' Church, where the centenary of his death will be remembered during the 10:30 service on 18th June.

(Anyone with more information about George Smith is invited to contact Martin Brebner, preferably before 18th June.)

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Dear Residents

Firstly I would like to thank everyone who voted for me at the County Council elections on 4th May. Since the new divisions the council has been reduced from 77 councillors to 70 with 58 seats going to the Conservatives, 6 Labour, 4 Independents, 1 Liberal Democrat, 1 Lincolnshire Independent. The council is responsible for Highways, Adult Social Care, Children's Services, Waste Disposal (not collection which is District), Libraries, Environment & Commercial Planning.

If you have any problems or concerns relating to the County Council please contact Rosemary Woolley on 01778 560634.

CASEWICK & DOLE WOOD WARDS

Dear Residents

The District has just elected a new Leader, Cllr Matthew Lee who represents a Stamford Ward and his Deputy Kelham Cooke who represents Casewick. A new committee which deals with rural issues has been included; one of the first issues could include policing in the area.

The Local Plan which was due to be sent out for consultation in May has been postponed until end of June/July due to the general election. This sets out the districts requirements for housing and employment until 2026.

A number of communities held litter picks over the last couple of months. If you would like to take part please contact the District Council who would supply you with bags, protective clothing, litter pickers and collect the rubbish. If you see any fly tipping please report by going onto the SKDC website and press 'Report it'.

SKDC is still offering grants to communities who wish to improve their area. This could be repairing or altering public buildings or creating orchards for public use, the list is large. There is a minimum grant of £500 with maximum of £10,000. For more information please go to skcommunitygrants@lincolnshirecvs.org.uk

If you have any problems or concerns relating to the Casewick Ward please do not hesitate to contact either Rosemary Woolley 01778 560634 (answer machine) email rh.woolley@southkesteven.gov.uk or Kelham Cooke 07940 187 426 email k.cooke@southkesteven.gov.uk. If you have any concerns relating to the Dole Wood Ward (Braceborough & Wilsthorpe) please contact Barry Dobson, 01778 426649 or email b.dobson@southkesteven.gov.uk

WEST DEEPING

St Andrews Church. Sunday 25th June 2pm. Service of celebration for Midsummer Magic week, followed by a family event on the Tinsley Field. We are looking for volunteers to help with flower arranging in the church. If you feel you could give a little of your time and creative skills please contact Colin, 01778 348709; colin.blagrove@ntworld.com

Bible Studies. Tuesdays, 30th May, 13th June and 27th June. 2.45 for 3pm at Cromwell House. Contact: Susanna Aldred on 01778 380014.

WD Walkers. Sunday 4th June and 2nd July. (No Walkers walk on 18th) Meet outside the Village Hall, at 2pm. Contact: Annie: 01778 346805, snewbigging@talktalk.net

Carpet Bowls Club. The group meets on Thursday evenings in the Village Hall. See centre pages. On 22nd June there will be a special Open Evening as part of Midsummer Magic so anyone can drop in from 7pm onwards for a demo and a cup of tea and biscuits. Chairperson: June Thomas 01778 343434.

Midsummer Magic. On 17th and 18th June, from 1-5 pm, there will be a wide range of activities including open gardens and an art exhibition in St Andrew's Church. For further details on the art exhibition contact Liz, eliz.noble@btinternet.com. All entries need to be at her house by Thursday 15th June, properly labelled with price or NFS. Hanging fee £1 item.

Wednesday 21st June. Midsummer Heritage Walk 1: West Deeping to Molecey's Mill along the route of the Stamford Canal. Meet at 6.30 pm at The Boaty, finishing with refreshments at The Granary. Donations for village funds.

Saturday 24th June. Midsummer Heritage Walk 2: "The Legacy of the Figg family."

Meet at 2 pm at St Andrew's Church, finishing with tea & cake at the Village Hall. £3: Limited places: tickets from wdheritage@hotmail.co.uk or 01778 344768

During the second week and weekend of 24-25 June there will be further activities for the village community culminating in a family fun afternoon on the Tinsley Field from 2-5 pm. If you would like further details for any activity or would like to offer help, please contact Graham Magee: 07775900251, graham.magee@me.com.

Rambling Readers. Friday June 30th 7.45pm. West Deeping Village Hall. If you are interested in reading a new book each month supplied by Lincolnshire Libraries please talk to Elizabeth at 01778 344674. Or just come along for a taster session.

Parish Council. There is a vacancy on the Council that could be filled by co-option. Would any resident interested in serving please contact the Clerk, Julia Mason 01778 344213; wdparishclerk@gmail.com

Classes in the Village Hall: Step Clog. Fortnightly on Mondays 8-9.30pm. Call Laura 01733 267129, leaving a contact number or email laura.clogteacher@gmail.com

CHURCH SERVICES AND DIARY DATES FOR JUNE 2017 VOLUME 32 NUMBER 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
4 th	5 th	6 th
PENTECOST	3	6
9am Braceborough HC	9.30am UffVH Yoga	
10.30am WDeeping MP	9.30aiii Oiivii Toga	
10.30am Wilsthorpe HC		
2pm WDVH Walkers		
4pm Uffington HC – Special Service of		
farewell to Carolyn Kennedy		
11 th	12 th	13 th
Trinity Sunday		
9am Greatford HC	9.30am UffVH Yoga	2.45pm WD Bible Study @
10.30am Uffington MP		Cromwell House
10.30am WDeeping HC		
6pm Tallington EP		
18 th	19 th	20 th
Trinity 1		
9am Barholm HC	9.30am UffVH Yoga	
10.30am Uffington HC		
10.30am WDeeping AAW		
25 th	26 th	27 th
Trinity 2		
9am Greatford AAW	9.30am UffVH Yoga	2.45pm WD Bible Study @
10.30am Uffington AAW		Cromwell House
10.30am Tallington HC		
2pm WDeeping Special Village Service		

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	
	7.30pm UffVH WI			
	Speaker – Keith Townsend –			
	Space Mission			
	Competition: The one item that			
	you would take into space with you			
	8pm WDVH Bowls			
7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	
	7am-10pm UffVH GENERAL ELECTION 8pm Casewick Chapel UVH AGM			
14 th	15 th	16 th	17 th	
2pm UffVH Wednesday Club	7.30pm Greatford Ladies 'Get together' @ The Hare & Hounds 8pm WDVH Bowls		7pm for 7.30pm UffVH Quiz	
21 st	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	
West Deeping Heritage Walk 1 UffVH Parish Council	7pm WDVH Bowls Open Evening		West Deeping Heritage Walk 2	
28 th	29 th	30 th		
2pm UffVH Wednesday Club	8pm WDVH Bowls			