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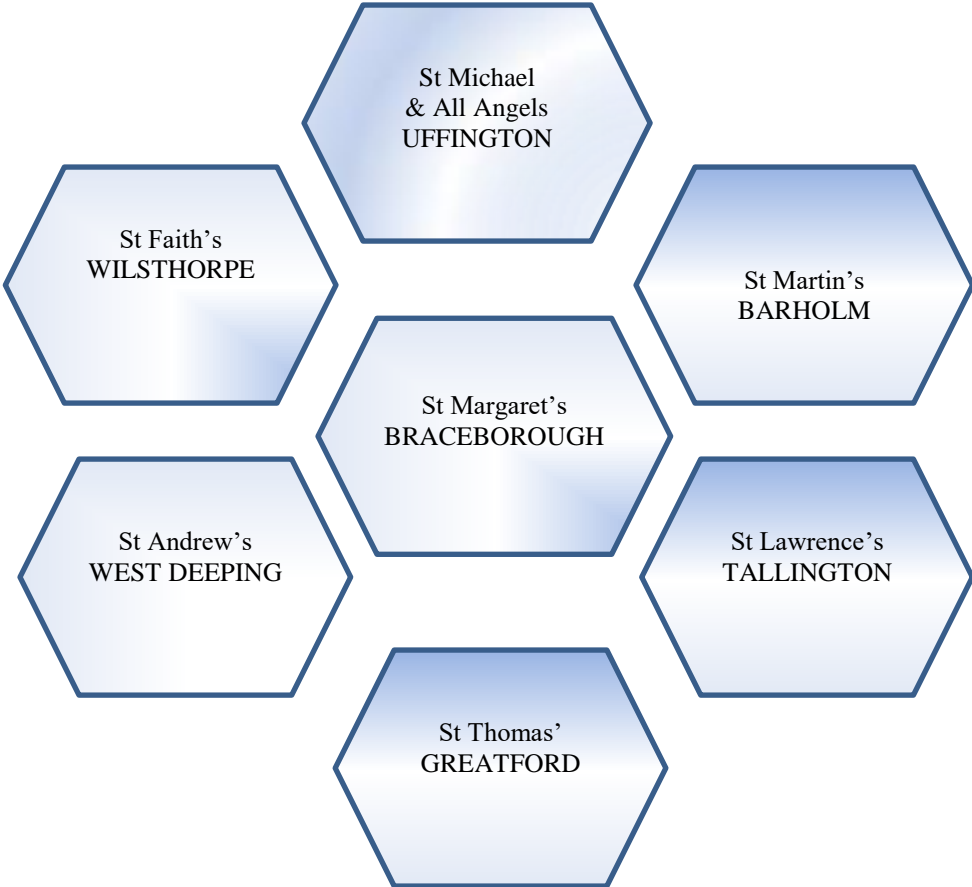
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BARHOLM WITH STOWE

St Martin's Church- June 5th SPECIAL CHORAL EVENSONG led by the choir of The Priory Church, Deeping st James, with Philip Spratley at the organ We are looking forward to welcoming you all at 6pm.

Recently, we have had many groups of visitors from Peterborough U3A to see our lovely church, and in May we welcomed West Deeping heritage group, Stamford U3A are to come in June. Thank you to all those who helped with teas. If you would like to hear the history of St Martin's please contact me, you will find it very interesting. Elizabeth.

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A VIEW FROM THE CURATE'S HOUSE

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I suppose you can easily guess who said those words? It was, of course, the Queen whose 90th birthday we continue to celebrate this month with various events in our villages and churches. She said those words sixty-nine years ago, on the occasion of her 21st birthday, when she was, in effect, coming of age as an adult, a princess and as the heir to the throne. The Queen is our sovereign and is also the head of the Church of England, but she is not simply a figurehead. She is an active Christian disciple who is sustained in her role by her deep faith: a deep faith that she is happy to share with others. Her Christian love is demonstrated by her love of her family, her love of all the varied communities across the United Kingdom and of the diverse communities that make up the Commonwealth.

Over the last few weeks a number of people from our seven churches have been attending the Developing Discipleship Programme meetings. The programme is designed to help us start thinking about how we can better serve God and our wider communities as disciples of Christ. We have already met to think about our vocation and our values and there will be another meeting at 7pm on 22nd June in Greatford Village Hall to develop a vision for the Uffington Group as a whole. We are called as Christians to serve our communities. Christ is the best example of how to serve, but we can also look for guidance to the example of our Queen's loving service to our country and the Commonwealth. She is a true disciple of Christ.

As we celebrate the life of our Queen, let us also celebrate the common life of all our villages. Let us rejoice in the community spirit that draws us all together to mark great occasions such as this one and let us continue to actively care for one another as Christ teaches us.

As I close this letter, I would like to take the opportunity to let you know that I have been appointed to the post of Rector of Quarrington with Old Sleaford. This means that I will probably be leaving the Uffington Group when my contract terminates at the end of June. While I am looking forward to my new role in Quarrington, I will be leaving with a feeling of sadness as I have greatly enjoyed serving you all. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your love and support over the last 14 months.

Every blessing
Rev Mark

CASEWICK & DOLE WOOD WARDS

Dear Residents

This has been another challenging year for the District Council, with the Revenue Support Grant provided by the Government falling again this year. Looking forward this is estimated to be in the region of a zero grant by late 2019. The reason behind this is that all Councils should be self-funding and raise money through the precept and business rates by the end of 2020. Kelham & Rosemary would like to congratulate all those groups and committees who had successfully applied for money from the Community Fund and commiserate with those who have not; we felt that all applications were justified. If you would like to raise money for a local charity you may wish to take advantage of a free stall on either Bourne-Thursday or Stamford-Friday market. For further information please go onto www.southkesteven.gov.uk/markets@southkesteven.gov.uk. The District Council is engaged with the other local authorities looking at Devolution in Lincolnshire. SKDC will be holding an extraordinary meeting to discuss the deal proposed for Greater Lincolnshire and whether we support the prospect of a further tier of local government and an elected Mayor. After all the work done by residents who took part in 'Clean for the Queen' it was sad to see that fly-tipping and rubbish was again being dumped on the verges & farm gateways around the area. You can report any incidents directly by using the website and map provided on www.southkesteven.gov.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.

BRACEBOROUGH

Holy Communion on Sunday 5th June at 9am St Margaret's Church. Please come along and join us. Everyone welcome.

Flower rota for St Margaret's.

June – Judy Wright July – Sue King August – Lyn Ravilious
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 December – Pat Wright

Thursday 2nd June -Discipleship Programme. The final meeting in this programme for our parish will be held on the evening of Wednesday 2nd June in the Casewick Chapel, Uffington. Members of the PCC are particularly welcome to this meeting. Please come along if you can.

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READINGS FOR JUNE

Usually, the readings for communion services are the NT and Gospel, and for Morning or Evening Prayer the Psalm, OT and NT.

	Psalm	OT	NT	Gospel
5th June Trinity 2 (Proper 5)	30	1 Kings 17:17-24	Galatians 1:1-24	Luke 7:11-17
12th June Trinity 3 (Proper 6)	32	2 Samuel 11:26- 12:10 + 13-15	Galatians 2:15-21	Luke 7:36-8:3
19th June Trinity 4 (Proper 7)	22:19-28	Isaiah 65:1-9	Galatians 3:23- 29	Luke 8:26-39
26th June Trinity 5 (Proper 8)	16	1 Kings 19:15-16 + 19-21	Galatians 5:1 + 13-25	Luke 9:51-62
3rd July St Thomas	31:1-6	Habakkuk 2:1-4	Ephesians 2:19- 22	John 20:24-29

The 'proper' number is provided for people choosing hymns - some books list suggestions for a particular Sunday under that heading.

The readings suggested for special services marking the 90th birthday of HM the Queen are: Psalm 21:1-7; 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Ephesians 1:15-23.

The colour in church is green for many weeks to come, other than the occasional saint's day – it will be red for St Thomas.

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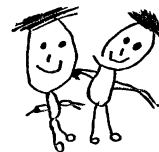
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WILSTHORPE

The next Service at St Faith's is Holy Communion at 10.30am on Sunday 5th June 2016.
The service will be taken by the Rev Mark Thomson. Please do come along and join us, where you will be made most welcome.

Sunday 12th June – 2pm – 5pm. Wilsthorpe celebrates the Queen's 90th Birthday with a get together on the green outside the church. This will be a very informal event and social gathering. Bring your own picnic, tables and chairs for a relaxing afternoon. (If raining we will picnic in the church!)

Thursday 30th June -Plants and Pimms, an evening to relax, enjoy the gardens and buy plants with a glass of Pimms and nibbles at Willowcroft, Wilsthorpe PE9 4PE 6.30pm to 8.30pm Entry fee £2.50. All donations, including for drinks will be shared between St Faith's Church and Age UK. Car parking signposted in the village.

Paperback books for sale! This is proving very popular with villagers and visitors alike. There are lots of books for sale in St Faith's Church, 50p each or 3 for a £1 – a bargain! The selection is frequently refreshed.

Susan and Geoff Burgoin wish to thank everyone for their support and messages of sympathy following the death of their son Mark Mansbridge in Canada on the 10th April 2016.

Thomas Dennis WWI soldier remembered on the 11th June

Thomas Dennis was born at the Gatehouse, Wilsthorpe in 1889. His mother was Sarah and his father, who was a plate layer on the railway, was also called Thomas. Thomas was baptised at St Faith's church on the 21st of May 1889 and spent his childhood in Wilsthorpe, being shown on the 1901 census as a Scholar. At the outbreak of WWI Thomas, a signalman on the railway, joined the Royal Army Medical Corps and was attached to the 39th Field Ambulance as a driver. Thomas was wounded and gassed in France. After recovering he joined the Persian Gulf Expedition and died of disease at Basra on the 11th June 1916 aged 27 years. He is buried at the Amara War Cemetery in Iraq.

At a parish meeting held in Wilsthorpe on the 5th April 1920, a vote of thanks was accorded to Mr Warth of Wilsthorpe for so generously presenting a memorial tablet for the church in honour of the one soldier from Wilsthorpe who lost his life in the war.

The inscription reads –

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He died and never knew
But well or ill
England, he died for you

UFFINGTON

Church Flowers

5th June – Jill Westcombe
12th/19th June – Joan Hickman
26th June – Jackie Rawden

Uffington WI. Uffington WI has selected its two resolutions from a list put forward by the NFWI to send to its annual meeting next month. It decided at its May meeting to endorse the questions of avoiding food waste and addressing food poverty, and on providing adequate care in hospitals for people with dementia. Sheila Croft made the case for the former and Alison Dodsworth for the latter. The branch's delegate will vote accordingly. The meeting was the first chaired by the new president, Gillian Johns. Membership cards for the coming year were distributed, with much interest in the programme, highlights of which include a summer barbecue, harvest supper, and speakers on topics ranging from Stamford street names to crafts, hats, and adventuring in New Zealand. Officers for the year 2015/16 are secretary, Pauline Earley; treasurer Carole Chapman; sick visitor, Maggie Carter; vice-president and press officer, Sue Naden; committee, Sally Baker, Alison Dodsworth, Pam Norwood and June Taylor. Gillian Johns congratulated the branch on its entry in the recent Uffington Scarecrow Weekend, and thanked Sheila Croft, Pauline Earley, Lynda Glover and Maggie Carter for their hard work. The WI's annual cake stall, always a popular feature of the event, raised £305. Treasurer Carole Chapman reported that funds were looking healthy and the previous month's sales table had raised £42. The speaker was medical herbalist Ginny Kemp from the Herb Clinic. With a degree in medical science and wide experience in herbal medicine, she sees patients from all areas surrounding Stamford at the town's Broad Street Practice. Modern herbal medicine combines the long-recognised qualities of plants with current research and practice, says Ginny. 'We face challenges today that include stress, drug resistance and side effects, pollution and other afflictions of modern lifestyles. Unsurprisingly, the benefits of medicine in its most natural form are being re-discovered and the low risk of side-effects is being increasingly acknowledged and appreciated.' Members were fascinated by the tincture samples of medicinal plants, including camomile, echinacea, cinnamon and meadowsweet, she brought along, and by her talk on their uses. She was thanked by Maggie Carter. A competition for Flower of the Month was won by 1 Marion Francis, 2 Carole Breslin, and 3 Jane Fairham. The speaker at the June meeting will be Alan Gray on 'Tales of a Wimbledon Umpire' and members are asked to dress in white!

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

Date	Event	Sponsor(s)
1 st & 2 nd May	Scarecrow weekend	PCC
7 th May	<i>Thank you</i> to all those who worked so hard to make the Scarecrow Weekend such a success.	Anonymous
15 th May	Pentecost (aka Whit Sunday)	PCC
31 st May	Centenary of the Battle of Jutland	Graham Creedy

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Uffington Continued elsewhere:

BRACEBOROUGH & WILSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Parish Council Meeting took place on Monday 9TH May at St Faith's Church, Wilsthorpe.

It was proposed that Cllr Dave Kentish be elected as Chairman with Cllr Paul Morriss as Vice-Chairman.

It was reported that the majority of the potholes around the parish had been marked with white paint ready for repair but the damaged verge opposite Holland House had yet to be dealt with. The Clerk reported that she had received no response relating to the hire of a reactive speed sign.

The Clerk reported that the Annual Insurance had decreased from the previous year by £9.80.

Councillors asked the District Councillor to 'call in' the planning application from Mr Bremner for variation of conditions to previous application if the Officer recommends refusal. The application would then go before the Planning Committee at the District Council. Work was allowed for the removal of one elder and prune an apple tree at 12 Main Street, Braceborough.

It was reported that Lorries had again damaged the verge by the side of The Elms at Quincey's Lane. If anyone sees an incident please take the vehicle registration number, time & date and report to either the clerk or Parish Councillor. The Clerk was asked to report street light 6, Church Lane. Fly tipping and litter were again a concern of residents.

Cllr Kentish reported that he had attended a Neighbourhood Police Panel Meeting and said that speeding and poor parking continued to be a major problem in villages but the crime rate was low.

D.Cllr Barry Dobson reported that the Communities PDG was reviewing the district car parks, how payments should be made, if charges should be introduced.

C.Cllr Martin Trollope-Bellew reported that Marc Jones (conservative) was elected as the next Police and Crime Commissioner. The new recycling centre at South Fen, Bourne was open, the Boundary Commission had delayed their final response on the new divisions for the County Council. Finally, all 10 local authorities had to agree that Greater Lincolnshire should elect a Mayor for elections to take place May 2017.

The date for the next meeting 6th June at St Faith's Church 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

Congratulations

Well done and thanks to everyone who entered a scarecrow and who completed the quiz trail. The 2016 "All Around the World" Scarecrow winners are...

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Quiz

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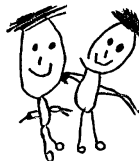
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200 Club Winners in April: No 64 Hilary Windsor £20; No 85 Tony Haslam £10.

Social Evenings: The Committee were delighted to find that our Facebook page had attracted a few very welcome new people in April at our Potato Evening.. We hope to see even more in the future and that many will help to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday on Sunday 12th June both in the afternoon and in the evening. Watch out for the flyers for these events or check on Facebook.

Mobile Library Service: The Mobile Library will be in Church Lane between 11.15 am and 11.45 am on Monday 13th June. 2016. Please use this facility if at all possible.

Parish Council: The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall on Tuesday 12 July 2016. All residents are welcome at these meetings.

Diary Dates for March: Sunday 12th June - Queen's Birthday Celebrations

Parish Council. At the Tallington Parish Council Meeting on 10th May members of the public raised the issues surrounding the future of St Lawrence Church Tallington and what the Parish Council could do to help the situation. The current situation is as follows:

The Annual General Meeting of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) was held on 25th April. Only two people not on the PCC attended, both of whom are regular churchgoers. The current four remaining members of the PCC including the treasurer have, for various reasons, expressed their wish to resign. This makes for a very difficult situation since a church cannot function without a PCC and treasurer and really also needs churchwardens. The Rector Carolyn Kennedy issued a circular with the last edition of 'Towers and Spires' requesting feedback from members of the Parish and to indicate their interest and whether they would like the church to stay open.

The Parish Council would now like to take this a stage further by calling a village meeting in St. Lawrence Church, Tallington on Tuesday , 28th June starting at 7:30pm

The objectives of this meeting will be:

- to discuss the current issues
 - to try to agree a forward action plan and resolve the current issues
 - to engage members of the Parish to fill the vacant positions as indicated above
- Your support and attendance at this meeting is key to securing the continued future of our church.

Light refreshments will be served. The Parish Council looks forward to seeing you at this very important meeting.

Uffington Continued:

The Parish Council is in the process of purchasing "Check Your Speed" Wheelie Bin stickers from Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership. When these have been received they will be available for villagers to purchase at 50p each. If you are interested in obtaining one or two of these for your bins please contact the Clerk Yvonne Genever on 01780763477 or gene07@btconnect.com.

On the run up to the Queen's 90th Birthday the whole country is having a "Litter Pick". We do have a very good Litter Picker in the village who does a really good job with time available, so any little contribution will help him. If you can keep an eye on your particular area and keep it litter free this can only make the village look better for the great occasion.

As you will know doubt have seen the rough hedge to the south of the play equipment has had the rough bushes removed and Chris Harris our grass cutter is going to level the site and put some grass seed on and this autumn the members will plant hawthorn bushes where necessary.

GARDENING & WILDLIFE IN JUNE

The twittering, trilling, whistling and musical calls of a flock of Goldfinches are very distinctive. The birds' plumage is attractive too – with the broad yellow panels on their wings (which show up in flight and also when the wings are closed) and the bold black, white and red markings on their heads (black cap, and red patch around the beaks) contrasting with their tawny and chestnut coloured feathers on their backs and chests. But the combination of their musical calls and colourful feathers made them attractive to the Victorians as cage birds.

As a result, thousands of these little birds were trapped and caught, and their numbers plummeted. However, the newly-formed Society for the Protection of Birds (which later became the RSPB) made the recovery of the Goldfinch a priority for their work. The birds' numbers increased and over the years the population has recovered. Various mechanisms and incentives have been used to help their recovery. In addition, feeding the birds in winter with a variety of bird food has helped the Goldfinch (and other similar birds) survive the cold months. Goldfinches particularly love small black nyger seeds.

During the summer and autumn months, they seek out seeds on thistles and teasels, and they also feed on seeds from trees such as Alder and Birch. If you have space, can you consider leaving a small area of the garden a bit untidy and plant a teasel or allow a thistle to grow and provide some seed for Goldfinches? They will reward you with their songs and calls, and sight of their colourful feathers of red and yellow and black! And you will see why a flock of Goldfinches is called a charm! **Donna Radley & Tim Barfield**

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WEST DEEPING

St Andrews Church. On Sunday 12th June at 2pm there will be short service of thanksgiving and celebration for the Queen's birthday. This will be followed by the event on field, see box.
All Age Service Sunday 19th June. 10.30am. If you have any ideas or requests, or would like a special prayer or hymn please tell Allen 01778 344208 or Ian 01778 380014.

West Deeping Walkers. Sundays, 5th June is a local walk and 19th June is led by Alan Crowson 01778 345393. Meet outside the Village Hall, 2pm.

Bible Studies. Tuesdays, 7th and 21st June. 2.45 for 3.00pm at Cromwell House followed by tea with our hosts Susanna and Ian. Contact: Allen Calvert 01778 344208.

Coffee Morning. Saturday 18th June. 10.30am-12noon in the Village Hall. Call in for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat. Donations for St. Andrew's Church. Raffle, cake/produce stall, activities for children. All are welcome.

West Deeping Heritage Group. Tuesday 14th June 10 a.m. Everybody is welcome to join us in a visit to Stamford Corn Exchange. Mick Lee, who gave our talk in February, will give an illustrated talk about the theatre itself followed by a tour of the premises, including the Heritage Room. To share a lift, please contact Maggie Ashcroft 01778 344768

Carpet Bowls Club. The group meets on Wednesday afternoons and Thursday evenings in the Village Hall. See centre pages. Chairperson: June Thomas 01778 343434.

Rambling Readers. Friday 24th June 7.45pm in the Village Hall. If you are interested in reading a new book each month supplied by Lincolnshire Libraries please touch base with Elizabeth at 01778 344674. Or just come along for a taster session.

The West Deeping Mile will be held as part of the Queen's birthday celebrations on 12th June (see box). The WD Mile has previously been run in 2008, 2010 and 2012. Oliver Bowling was the 2012 champion with a time of 5.49m. We welcome contestants to the 2016 run where you could win a cup in one of the categories: Men; Women; Juniors (10 and under) and Seniors (40+). The fastest time overall will also win the Champion cup. Contact Ginny for further information 07775602754.

Classes in West Deeping Village Hall are:

Step Clog. Fortnightly on Mondays 8.00-9.30pm, for beginners of any age as well as more experienced people. Hard-soled shoes are required, not trainers, to hear the patterns of the steps. Call Laura 01733 267129, leave your name and contact number and she will get in touch with you or email lozwharton122@sky.com

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Church Services: The services – which everyone is most welcome to attend – are:

12th June, Holy Communion at 9am; and **26th June**, All Age Worship at 9am.

Bell Ringing: Greatford practice night Wednesday 22nd June from 7:30 - 9pm. Anyone welcome to come along and watch, or have a go. A quarter peal was rung on 21st April to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday, and more bells will be rung in the group on June 12th for her official birthday!

Marie Curie house to house collection in March raised £83. 38, so thank you all very much for your generous offerings.

Carlby & District WI: At the meeting on May 10th the speaker was Stephen Perry on 'The Peterborough Workhouse.' The next meeting is on Tuesday 14th June at Carlby Village Hall at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Pauline Crampin and her subject is 'Painting Flower Cards'. New Members and visitors are always welcome. For further information please telephone 01778 392838.

Mobile Library: The van will call at Greatford opposite the phone box on Mondays 13th June and 11th July from 12:00noon to 12:30pm.

Flying the Flag: Mark any special event by having the Union Flag or St George's Flag flown at the Village Hall (for a contribution to Village Hall Funds) or outside the Church (in aid of Church Funds). Please contact Cyril Webb on 560437 in either case.

In the coming weeks, we commemorate the centenaries of the deaths on active service of several men honoured on memorials in our parishes:

Driver Thomas Dennis of the Army Service Corps died on 11 June 1916.

Thomas Dennis was born in 1889 in Wilsthorpe, the son of Thomas and Sarah Dennis. Thomas senior worked for the railway, and Thomas junior appears to have followed his father into working for the railway. He then enlisted in the army and served in the Army Service Corps – first in France (from July 1915) and subsequently with the British Expeditionary Force (BEF) in Mesopotamia (now Iraq and neighbouring countries), where he was attached to the 39th Field Ambulance. Thomas died on 11 June 1916 and is buried in Amara Cemetery, Iraq. The city of Amara had been occupied by the BEF in June 1915 and had become a major hospital centre – so Thomas was probably wounded in action but died of his wounds in one of the hospitals. Thomas was 27 years old when he died, and as a son of Wilsthorpe, is commemorated on the War Memorial in St Faith's Church.

Private George Decimus Neal of the 7th Battalion Northamptonshire Regiment died on 22 June 1916

George Decimus Neal was born in West Deeping in late 1893, the seventh child of Jeremiah and Fanny Neal. Jeremiah had been born in early 1853 in West Deeping, the son of Samuel Neal and Sarah Eldred. Samuel (an agricultural labourer) died in 1855, and in 1861 Jeremiah and his mother and her other two children were resident with Sarah's parents in West Deeping. In 1871 Jeremiah was an agricultural labourer, boarding in Stowe. He married Fanny Elizabeth Wells in 1878, and they appear to have spent their entire married life in West Deeping. They had 10 children (one of whom had died by 1911). George was at home with his parents at the time of the 1901 census, but in 1911 he was living at the Church Missionary, College in Islington and working as a foot boy. Jeremiah and Fanny continued to live in West Deeping until Jeremiah died in late 1939 aged 86 and Fanny died in late 1943 aged 85. Military Records show that George enlisted in the Northamptonshire Regiment in Peterborough and served in the 7th Battalion – which was part of a Division within Kitchener's Third New Army. The Division moved to France in August 1915 and in September took part in the Battle of Loos, in which the 7th Northamptonshires lost more than 120 men. George joined the Battalion shortly after the Battle of Loos as one of the reinforcements posted in after the battle. The Battalion then took part in the localised actions in the area south of Ypres in the spring and early summer of 1916. It then suffered a phosgene gas attack by the Germans on 17 June – the attack was repulsed but some casualties were sustained. George was among those who died shortly after the attack – and as he is buried at Boulogne, one of the base ports where there was a major hospital complex, it seems likely that George was injured in the attack and evacuated to the hospital but died before he could be brought back to England. George was 23 when he died; as a son of West Deeping he is commemorated on the War Memorial in St Andrew's Church, West Deeping.

Continued Elsewhere:

We will remember them continued:

Second Lieutenant Joseph Anstee of the 2nd Battalion Lincolnshire Regiment died on 1 July 1916.

Joseph Anstee was born in West Deeping in 1890 (and baptised on 25 May 1890 in St Andrew's Church). He was the youngest child of William and Mary Anstee. William was a miller and the family came to live at The Mill in West Deeping in the early 1880s. It appears that Joseph spent all his early life at the Mill, and by 1911 was assisting in the family milling business. Joseph enlisted in the army, and by the start of the Battle of the Somme he was serving as a Second Lieutenant in the 2nd Battalion of the Lincolnshire Regiment. The Battalion took part in the massive Anglo-French attack made on either side of the River Somme on 1 July 1916 involving five divisions of the French Sixth Army and eleven British divisions (each comprising approaching 20,000 men) of the British Fourth Army. It is generally considered to be most disastrous day in British military history, but the French forces had significant successes on both banks of the Somme, as did the British forces adjacent the French. But further north the British forces suffered an unprecedented number of casualties (including 19,240 men killed). Joseph Anstee and 127 other men of the 2nd second battalion Lincolnshire Regiment died on 1 July 1916; Joseph and 93 of his colleagues are commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial (ie they have no known grave). Joseph was 26 years old when he died; as a son of West Deeping he is commemorated on the War Memorial in St Andrew's Church, West Deeping.

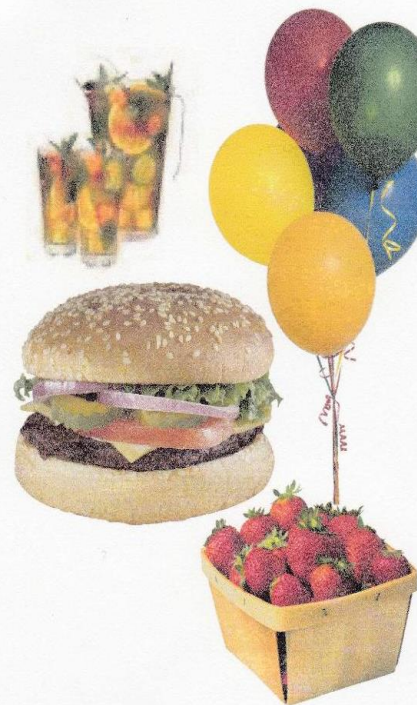
Driver Thomas Dennis will be remembered at a ceremony during the 10:30am service at Wilsthorpe on Sunday 5th June.

Private George Neal will be remembered at a ceremony during the 10:30am service at West Deeping on Sunday 19th June.

Second Lieutenant Joseph Anstee will be remembered at a ceremony during the 10:30am service at West Deeping on Sunday 3rd July.

Several more men from our parishes died later in July 1916 and they will be commemorated on Sunday 10th July at the services in Greatford (Fred Garner and Harry Headland) and Tallington (William Gray) and on 17th July at the service in Barholm (John W Tomblin and George William Pickering) – their stories will appear in July's *Towers and Spires*.

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UFFINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Uffington Parish Council held on
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Election Of Officers. The Clerk asked for nominations for **Chairman**
Cllr. Brown was proposed by Cllr. K. Genever and Seconded by Cllr. Babbs
Cllr. Brown was willing to take this position again and as there were no other
nominations he was duly elected.
Vice Chairman – Cllr. Babbs - Proposed Cllr. P. Genever Seconded Cllr.
Sheehan

Village Hall Committee – Cllr. K. Genever - Proposed Cllr. P. Genever Seconded
Cllr. Babbs

Lord Lindsey Trust - Cllr. Brown would again try to find out more about this
trust, Mr. Irvine suggested that he contact the Charity Commission to see if they
could help.

Play Area – This seems to be a great success, it was reported that someone had
cut the grass around the play equipment (apart from our regular grass cutter)
but no one seemed to know who. The situation regarding the picket fence was
discussed Cllr. Brown had volunteered to help engrave the names on the palings
but he had no response from Cllr. Mulvaney but he would try again. The Clerk
had received a quote from Mr. Chris Harris for £240. For work to tidy up the
area south of the path. It was agreed that we should accept this and Cllr. Brown
would liaise with Mr. Harris regarding this. Pro. Cllr. Sheehan Sec. Cllr.
Babbs. Cllr. K. Genever reported that the last of the money from LCC towards
this play area had been received into the bank. She was thanked for all her work
on this project. The Clerk had taken a dustbin around to the play area to help
keep it tidy and litter free

Horse Warning Sign Essendine Road – This sign would be a non-statutory sign
and Highways are not installing these signs due to lack of resources. It was
suggested at the meeting that the Livery stables put up their own warning signs
in the hedge not on the verge. LCC have informed the Parish Council that they
intend to switch off some street light in an attempt to save 1.7 m per year. This
will be mainly on the minor route and will be between 10pm and 6am.

Highways Maintenance – LCC had informed the Parish Council that Newstead
Lane would be surface dressed during 2016/17. The Parish Council had received
an e mail from Community Speed Watch offering wheelie bin “Speed Aware”
stickers at 50P each. It was agreed at the meeting that the Parish Council should
apply for 40 stickers at a cost of £20.

Continued elsewhere:

Churches Together Fun with Faith Day Saturday 9th July 10-5pm @ The Rec Stamford

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Of War, Sack Races, Rounders **!FREE ENTRY FREE ACTIVITIES!** The day
ends with a United Service at 4pm.

Uffington Parish Council continued:

Planning:

The following two applications were discussed:
S16/0979 – Reduce Height of Silver Birch and Acer tree – 12 The Charters – Amanda Remedios - No objection. Cllr's K & P Genever left the room whilst the following application was discussed: S16/0863/LB & SK/0862– Removal of Porch and erection of single storey rear extension – 4 Casewick Lane - Dr. Liz Genever. There was no objection to this application and it was thought to be a tasteful and discrete extension. Cllr's K & P Genever return to the meeting.

Approval given for the following applications

S16/0210 – Removal of 3 Poplars and reduce height of remaining Poplars

S16/0308 – Erection of 3 bay garage – The Stables, Essendine Road – Mrs. R. Cardell.

S15/3293 & S15/3303 - Discharge of conditions 3 & 5 of planning permission – The Lodge Casewick – Mr. Jem Allport.

Accounts:

Monies received and banked
UV Hall share of Ena Troop's Plaque - £24.50.

SKDC - Community Cleaner - £187.20.

LCC – Play Area last payment - £850.00

Cheques paid out

C. Harris - Grass Cutting - £50. - Pro. Cllr. P. Genever Sec. Cllr. Sheehan

UV Hall - Hiring Sept 15 – March 16 - £55.00 - Pro. Cllr. Brown Sec. Cllr. P. Genever

AON – Insurance - £267.66 - Pro. Cllr. Cllr. K. Genever Sec. Cllr. Brown

F. Barratt - Litter Picker - £ 39.50 - Pro. Cllr. Brown Sec. Cllr.K. Genever

LALC Subs - £208.70 - Pro. Cllr. Babbs Sec. Cllr. Sheehan

LCC - Bin Stickers - £20.00 - Pro. Cllr. Brown Sec. Cllr. Babbs

Cllr. K & P Genever left the meeting whilst the Clerk Wages were discussed

Y.S. Genever Clerk Wages & Exp 2015/16 - £1330.22 - Pro. Cllr. Brown Sec. Cllr. Sheehan

Cllr's K & P Genever returned to the meeting.

C/A Balances once the above have been debited - £371.58

D/A including this year's Precept - £6389.63

Annual Audit – The Clerk presented the Annual Audit documents which were approved and signed, these now to be sent to Grant Thornton the External Auditor.

The Parish Council Risk Assessment was discussed and adopted by the Parish Council for 2015/16.

Bertie Lane – Concern had been raised to Cllr. K. Genever by the residents of Bertie Lane bungalows regarding the ongoing situation of parking in this area, Dist. Cllr. K. Cooke be contacted again so that he can visit the residents to explain to them what is envisaged. What they would really like is a designated residents parking area on the road outside these bungalows, this suggestion to be put to Dist. Cllr. Cooke. A notice to be put in Towers and Spires asking all village residents to pick up any litter in their area, this is a country wide campaign in celebration of the Queen's 90th Birthday. The Parish Council does have a Litter Picker but every little everyone else does will help him considerably. A question was asked as to what authority is responsible for verge cutting - LCC does the main A1175 and SKDC does in the village. Date of next meeting Wednesday, 22nd June, 2016 at 8pm. Meeting closed at 9pm.

REPORT OF UFFINGTON PARISH COUNCIL'S ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Chairman for the preceding year called for nominations for Chairman, Mr. B. Brown was nominated and was duly elected.

The Minutes of the previous APM meeting were approved and signed

Pro: Cllr. Babbs Sec. Cllr. P. Genever

Cllr Brown gave his Chairman Report of the many different items that had been discussed and hopefully improvements made. He made special mention of the loss of four well-loved villagers – Paul Chantrell, Ena Troop, Angela Morgan and Brenda Francis these will be missed in an around the village. The full report can be found on the Uffington Web Site.

The ongoing saga of pot holes in and around the village was again raised. The Parish Council had been notification that Newstead Lane would be surfaced dressed during the next 12 months. LCC Highways had also informed the Parish Council that they continue to have the Area Maintenance Team carrying out minor work in our Parish. The situation regarding various large pot holes to be monitored, if these are not repaired they will be reported again.

Concern was raised by Mr. Irvine regarding the amount of ivy growing on the wall opposite the school as it restricts the view of traffic turning left off Casewick Lane. Mr. P. Genever agreed to get this cut back.

It was agreed to write a letter to N. Boles our MP voicing concerns over the waste of government money regarding the election of the Police Commissioner as there is complacency in the electors shown by the poor turn out at the polls.

As there was no further business the meeting moved on to the AGM of the Parish Council.

WELLAND MOTHERS' UNION

Next meeting Monday 20th June 2.00pm

Outing to Sue Ryder Home, Thorpe Hall. Time tba.

Information from Elizabeth Noble 01778 344674 or Anne Batty 01780 740151

**CHURCH SERVICES AND DIARY DATES
FOR JUNE 2016 VOLUME 31 NUMBER 3**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
5th	6th	7th
Trinity 2 9am Braceborough HC 10.30am Uffington HC 10.30am WDeeping MP 10.30am Wilsthorpe HC 2pm WDVH Walkers 6pm Barholm ES	9.15am UffVH Yoga	2.45pm WD Bible Study Cromwell House
12th	13th	14th
Trinity 3 9am Greatford HC 10.30am Uffington MP Queen's B'Day 10.30am WDeeping HC (said) 2pm WDeeping Queen's B'day 2pm WD Tinsley Field – Queens B'day Celebration 2pm Uff Queen's B'Day Party 6pm Tallington EP	9.15am UffVH Yoga	10am WD Heritage outing to Stamford Corn EXchange
19th	20th	21st
Trinity 4 9am Barholm HC 10.30am Uffington HC & Sunday Club 10.30am WDeeping All Age Worship 2pm WDVH Walkers	9.15am UffVH Yoga 2pm MU outing to Thorpe Hall	2.45pm WD Bible Study Cromwell House
26th	27th	28th
Trinity 5 9am Greatford All Age Worship 10.30am Tallington HC 10.30am Uffington All Age Worship 10.30am WDeeping MP 4pm Wilsthorpe Farewell Service for Mark Thomson	9.15am UffVH Yoga	

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1st	2nd	3rd	4th
2-4pm WDVH Bowls 7.30pm UffVH WI Alan Gray – Tales of a Wimbledon Umpire (please try to wear white!) Competition: White china ornament	10am UffVH Parent & Toddler Group 8-10pm WDVH Bowls		
8th	9th	10th	11th
2-4pm WDVH Bowls 7pm UffVH Lace & Needlework Group	10am UffVH Parent & Toddler Group 8-10pm WDVH Bowls		
15th	16th	17th	18th
2-4pm WDVH Bowls 7pm UffVH Lace & Needlework Group	10am UffVH Parent & Toddler Group 8-10pm WDVH Bowls		10.30am WDVH St Andrew's Church Coffee Morning
22nd	23rd	24th	25th
2-4pm WDVH Bowls 7pm UffVH Lace & Needlework Group 8pm UffVH Parish Council Meeting	7am-10pm UffVH Referndum Polling 8-10pm WDVH Bowls	7.45pm WDVH Rambling Readers	
29th	30th		
7pm UffVH Lace & Needlework Group	10am UffVH Parent & Toddler Group		