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Report Potholes 01522 782070 <http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/potholes> Or use "Fix my street" - <http://www.FixMyStreet.com>

Report Litter 01529 414155 customer_services@n-kesteven.gov.uk



Thank you to all the kind people who provided a Christmas 'tree' for the Festival of Christmas Trees at All Saints Church, Beckingham from 19 - 21 December 2019: you are all stars! The imagination shown in decorating the 'trees' on show was amazing from the garage tree, via the kitchen necessities tree, and the delightful tree from Maddie and Alex to the health & safety tree. Thank you to all the villagers who came to view the 'trees' in all their glory - a huge thank you from BPPC.'

Although the article will be 3 months after the event, it will hopefully relive an adventurous time for those involved with the Festival.

Thank you

Best wishes Jean (Martin)

The Beckingham & Sutton Bugle



March 2020

Beckingham and Sutton Village News and Information

18th July Village Fete in aid of a Village Memorial
1 to 4 pm commencing with the Annual Duck Race!!!

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A thank you.....

**The Parish Council receives a monthly newsletter from the local Police in place of attendance at Parish Council meetings and a copy of the latest can be found on the website and on the Village Hall noticeboard.



For more village news and to stay up to date with the latest Parish Council business visit the Village website

at:

Beckinghamvillage.co.uk

VE DAY

75TH ANNIVERSARY

A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION

8 - 10 MAY 2020



March already?!!! It seems as we get older the time flies past so much quicker; our journeys in life seem to speed up. It doesn't seem possible that Rick and I have been here in Leadenham for over a year now; having survived our first English winter for many years. Everyone has been telling us 'it's never this wet – honestly!'

Since arriving one of my priorities has been to build up the relationships between our church schools and the church and hopefully all pupils are now seeing that 'church' can be fun! We have had birthday parties in church for Pentecost, Easter services with chocolate eggs, Christmas carol services and the wonderful group Christingle service where all schools came together to join in the fun.

This year we are looking forward with excitement, in developing our vision and priorities as a group of churches, where we believe God is taking us as his church in this place and we would value your input in it. You may not be a regular member of church at present, you may be one of those who I met at one of our services over Christmas, but the beautiful church buildings sitting for hundreds of years in our villages, which have seen so much, need to be there for others in years to come and to do that we may need to do some things differently, remembering that the Church is not the building but the people. So why not come and join us as we define our vision, as we look forward to the future with excitement, why not come and journey with us? Watch this space for dates and times

Looking forward we are changing a few services. I have received feedback that many would like to come to church but feel 'out of it' in communion services and a service for all the family is needed so we are going to trial some changes as of the beginning of March. The second Sunday of the month, beginning 8th March, instead of a communion service at 1030 in Welbourn will now be a 10am non-communion service for all ages and all the family. Beckingham will now have a 1030 non-communion service on the third Sunday of the month at 1030 beginning on 15th March. Our Mothering Sunday service for the whole family this year will be in Beckingham at 1030am on Sunday 22nd March.

Meanwhile may I wish you all a reflective and peaceful Lenten journey whether you decide to come and join in with one of our activities or new services or even the Lent lunches, as we walk with our Saviour towards Good Friday and the cross.

Rev Chris 01400 679081

Beckingham Golf Society. New members of all abilities welcome. We play Sunday mornings at various courses for 9 holes. Meeting and arriving at the social club. Please contact Adam Cropper Tel:07539 074219

Social Club News –February 2020

In late November the Management Committee sent Club members a hand written Christmas card accompanied by a leaflet setting out the club's programme for December and New Year. The result was excellent support for all events, apart from the timing of Boxing Day opening, which will be reconsidered in due course. It was great to see diverse gatherings of villagers and their guests enjoying the festivities including New Year's Eve. The various winners of the special Christmas raffles were Christmas Hamper: Scott Toomer Free Membership draw: Glen Sheppard and Christmas loyalty draw: Jason Hunt



"Open the Box" is being re-organised to increase the chances of winning a reasonable prize rather than just one big one.

Six nations rugby is already under way and if a match is on during normal clubs opening hours you can be sure it will be on one of the big screens. If members would like to watch a match in the club that isn't on during the regular club opening times then they should get in touch with one of the committee members who will see what can be arranged.

MARCH

14th Music Quiz

21st 2pm Film "Downton Abbey" followed by afternoon tea and board games

APRIL:

26th (Sun) the Beckingham Memorial Ramble commencing 11am from the Village Hall. There will be 3 routes to suit all abilities plus clues for children to follow. Then a barbeque back at the village hall.

MAY

2nd (Sat) – Wine Tasting commencing 7.30 pm

For your diary:

18 July Village Fete- evening entertainment for Social Club members and their guests with a Hog Roast and live music provided by "twosmooth"

A CLEANER IS REQUIRED FOR THE VILLAGE HALL - ONCE A WEEK APPROX 2 HOURS PLUS DEEP CLEAN ONCE A MONTH. INTERESTED? contact Phil Wells 07930 990950 or email: pandj.wells@btinternet.com

Dear Sir or Madam

I wonder if you are able to help or put me in touch with somebody that knows of or could recall the crash site of a RAF Handley Page Hampden Bomber that crashed in Beckingham on the 23rd May 1939?

All 5 airman were killed on a training exercise including my Uncle Edward Brian Brentnall and being fairly local, it would mean a lot if I knew of the exact location of the plane wreck-age/site and possibly visit the site to pay my respects.

I've found only a little information from RAF websites but one link does also mention the plane crashing at Kelwick near Newark?

I realise the chances of help are remote as it's 80 years ago, but maybe someone has a long memory or can give some guidance.

Many thanks
Chris Styles

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Celebrating 100 Years of Village Halls

'Wonderful Villages' Photo Competition

Running Now!

Ends 15th March 2020!

Win up to £1000 for your Village Hall and £500 for the photographer!
Submit Your Entry & Vote For Others.

Open to **ALL RURAL** UK Village & Community Halls.
Entry is **FREE**. No purchase necessary.

Details of prizes, theme and entry dates are in the **RULES** available from our Facebook page:
<https://facebook.com/AlliedWestminster>
AND on our website detailing free rebuild valuations:
<https://villagehallsurvey.com>

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HELP WANTED

James Keane has learning disabilities but enjoys gardening and now has a lovely greenhouse. He is hoping someone would be interested in helping him with the greenhouse for two to four hours per week. James would be willing to pay someone. If you are interested please contact Sue Ward in the first instance on 07867 524 637

Hykeham Town & Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team

YOUR LOCAL TEAM



To report crime or antisocial behaviour **Tel: 101**
in an emergency dial 999

Below are general contact numbers and must not be used to report crime or antisocial behaviour.

SGT Ken Whyte	07973 846537
PC Mark Wood	07973 846976
PCSO Sarah Lingard	07973 842364
PCSO Jo Mackie	07973 845791
PCSO Julie Clark	07973 846338

Email: hykehamrural.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk
hykehamtown.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk

FORTHCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

10th Feb 13:00hrs bike marking Bassingham School Mini Police.

11th Feb 17:30hrs Bassingham Rainbows.

27th Feb 13:30hrs CSI task Witham St. Hughes Mini Police.

OUR PRIORITIES THIS QUARTER

Every three months, we listen to your concerns and look at recent crime statistics to shape the things we will concentrate on for the next three months. Based on this, our priorities for the next quarter are:

1. Tackling antisocial behaviour at public open spaces Town & Rural.

If you think there is an issue we should be focusing on, please get in touch at one of our public engagement events or contact us by email or social media.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

There have been further reports of antisocial behaviour at Hykeham Memorial Hall. The neighbourhood policing team have identified some of the young people involved.

There have been 2 burglaries Lincoln Road, Thorpe-on-the-Hill reported to police on the 12th January.

Burglary Jubilee Close, North Hykeham, reported to police 14th January. A male offender described as white, wearing a red woolly hat, and high vis vest, stole a handbag from the property.

FREE CRIME PREVENTION SURVEYS

Are you concerned about home security and would like some advice? The neighbourhood policing team offer free domestic crime prevention surveys. If you would like our advice on home security please contact us directly via our team email addresses:
hykehamrural.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk
hykehamtown.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk
North Hykeham Police Station opening hours Mon-Fri 10am-2pm.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Crime statistics for your neighbourhood are available at: www.police.uk
Lincs Alert is a great way of getting the latest relevant information for your area. Join at:
www.lincolnshirealert.co.uk
Follow us:

Twitter - @HykehamPolice
Facebook - @HykehamPolice

YOUR neighbourhood | OUR beat

www.lincs.police.uk
(and enter your postcode)

CALL YOUR LOCAL POLICE

101

IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 999



Lincolnshire POLICE

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Can we turn an idea into reality.....Yes we can!!!

What to do with the Playing Field has been a question that has occupied many minds in Beckingham for quite a considerable number of years!!!

At the Annual Parish meeting Cllr Andy Brewer proposed that the northern two thirds of the field be adapted as a woodland walk way, separated from the Play Park itself with measured paths for active walkers and also suitable for the walking of dogs.



The Woodland Trust have provided advice and generous grant support which will enable us to plant 1500 trees and 250 shrubs to create what in time will become a valuable recreational open space for use by villagers. The Planting will commence in March.

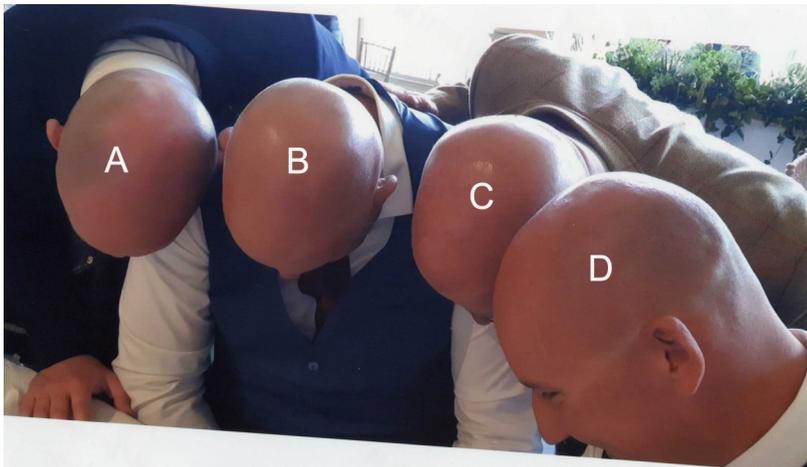


Where will that leave us for an entry in 2020 to the Best Kept Village Competition??

Please make your views known to the Parish Council!!!

The editor apologises for any distress the following image causes. Counselling is available.....

Can you please identify and report these offenders!!



Banish batteries from your bin bags

With three fires at recycling centres across the county recently, we're reminding residents to remove batteries from toys and electronic devices and make sure they're not put in their domestic bins, and to keep them separate when they take them to local recycling centres.



There have been fires at Louth, Spalding and Sleaford with one being caused by old fire lighting equipment which had been put in a black bin bag in the general waste compactor too.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE VILLAGE HALL FACILITIES:

The village hall now has, in addition to the Social Club, a number of regular users and bookings for special events organised by residents. This is putting pressure on the toilet facilities, which do not meet current standards for providing access for those with disabilities. The Parish Council has therefore engaged Evolution Design, local architects, to produce plans and specifications for the reconfiguration of the toilets to incorporate a fully accessible wheelchair facility. It will also necessitate rebuilding the slope to the main entrance and incorporating handrails to meet the current standards for wheel chair access. The Parish Council is optimistic in being able to secure substantial grant support towards the cost of these improvements and is proceeding to the next stage of checking whether planning consent will be required and ensuring that the proposed specification will meet current building regulations. Initial estimates for the necessary work can then be obtained and grant support applied for. It will obviously be some time before work could commence, but watch this space.

All contributions for the next Beckingham Bugle welcome
News....Adverts....Articles.....Jokes.....Announcements
The deadline for the next June 2020 issue is May 13th 2020
Email all your news items and events to clerkpc@beckinghamvillage.co.uk