

Fiskerton Parish News



December 2013



CHRISTMAS TREE SPECTACULAR **St Clement's Church,** **Fiskerton**

Saturday/Sunday December 14th/15th.

Saturday/Sunday December 21st/22nd.

11am - 4.30pm each day

*To be opened on Saturday December 14th at 11am
by children from Fiskerton Primary School.*

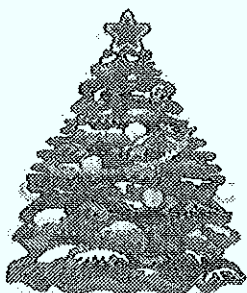
13 Trees decorated by local people and Village Groups
with the theme of 'books' or 'colour shades'

Tea, Coffee, Mulled Wine and Mince Pies,

Home-made preserves for sale.

Live music both weekends

Let your Christmas begin here.



VICAR'S BLOG :

I am writing this in mid November and beginning to turn my thoughts towards Christmas. That of course isn't too difficult – the Christmas ad campaigns have started on the TV and the shops are already full of it. This morning I was listening to an interview with someone from John Lewis (other department stores are available!), about their Christmas advert, I am sure most will have seen it by now – it's an animation about the bear and the hare – the story being that the bear is usually hibernating over the winter so has never seen Christmas, so the hare takes the bear to a Christmas brought by John Lewis..... lovely song sung by Lily Allen and to be honest, as Christmas ads go, I think it's a good one – I gather that over 3 million people saw it on youtube even before it was shown on TV.

But, it has made me think – the interview was interesting because the chap interviewed basically said – we want to get the message across that John Lewis *brings* Christmas – I just want to challenge that – *JESUS brings Christmas*. Before John Lewis was thought of, Christmas was there. That is the message to celebrate – so I guess a plea from me, to keep Jesus at the centre of our celebrations, Jesus, Prince of Peace, Beautiful Saviour, Wonderful Counsellor. Almighty God. There is plenty of opportunity to share the wonder of it all over this Christmas season – Christingles, Carol Services, Carols on the Green – lets join together as a community to celebrate.

Another plea – whatever you are doing this Christmas, make time for people, reach out to neighbours and friends who may be on their own, and remember that for some, this is a difficult time of the year. I wish you all, a wonderful God centred Christmas – celebrate well, for Christ has come!!

Every blessing

Penny



To arrange Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please contact:-

Rev'd. Penny Green (Priest in Charge) The Vicarage, Church Lane

Cherry Willingham

01522 595596

Churchwardens: Mrs L. Forman

Applegarth, Ferry Road Fiskerton

01526 398316

Mrs A Townsend

25 St. Clement's Drive Fiskerton

01522 595109

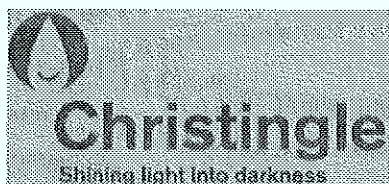
Church Key also available from:

Mrs M Gibson, 14 Ferryside Gardens

01522 752117

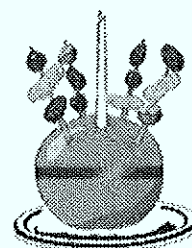
Benefice Website:

www.southlawresbenefice.org.uk



SUNDAY DECEMBER 22nd

4pm Fiskerton Church



EVERYONE is very welcome to come along to this lovely service. You will receive a

Christingle and help raise essential funds to support the work of the Children's Society They work with children to ensure that they are loved, valued and listened to.

With them, they fight childhood poverty, harm and neglect.



CHURCH SERVICES for the South Lawres Benefice**DECEMBER 2013****1st. 1st. Sunday of Advent**

8am Morning Worship at Cherry Willingham
9.15am Holy Communion at Fiskerton
11am Holy Communion at Greetwell
4pm Messy Church at Reepham School

8th. 2nd. Sunday of Advent

9.15am Morning Worship at Fiskerton
9.15am Holy Communion at Reepham
10.45am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham
3pm Civic Carol Service at Greetwell
4.30pm Christingle at Cherry Willingham

15th. 3rd. Sunday of Advent

8am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham
9.15am Holy Communion at Fiskerton
9.15am Family Worship at Reepham
10.45am Morning Worship at Cherry Willingham
6.30pm Carol Service at Cherry Willingham

20th. Friday

2pm Fiskerton Primary School Christmas Service

22nd. 4th. Sunday of Advent

8am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham
10.45am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham
4pm Christingle at Fiskerton
6.30pm Carol Service & rededication of the building with Archdeacon Jane Sinclair

24th. Christmas Eve

3pm Crib Service at Cherry Willingham
3pm Crib Service at Reepham
6pm Carol Service at Fiskerton
11.30pm Midnight Mass at Cherry Willingham

25th. Christmas Day

10.15am Holy Communion at Greetwell

29th. 1st. Sunday of Christmas

10.30am Benefice Service at Reepham
6.30pm Evensonmg at Cherry Willingham



Holy Communion will be held at Cherry Willingham Church at 9.30am on Wed. December 11th.



Fiskerton Village Carol Service will take place on Tuesday December 24th. - Christmas Eve - at 6pm in St. Clement's Church. Do come and join everyone at this joyful service of readings and carols. After the service there will be some seasonal refreshments and the chance to look around our beautifully decorated Church. This is a lovely start to Christmas for everyone in the family.

Other Church News:

Service Rota for December:

Dec.	Sidesman	Reader	Intercessions	Cleaning
1st.	Jean Lunn	Sandy Massey Isaiah 2: 1 - 5	CLERGY Blacksmith Rd.	Carol Proctor & Sandy Massey
8th.	Sandy Massey	Paul Forman Isaiah 11: 1 - 10	Lynda Forman Ferryside	
15th.	Carol Proctor	Annette Townsend Isaiah 35: 1 -10	CLERGY Lincoln Rd.	Lynda Forman & Mary Gibson
22nd.	Gill Walkinton	CHRISTINGLE	SERVICE	
24th.	Annette Townsend & Lynda Forman	CAROL	SERVICE	
Jan 5th.	<i>Jean Lunn</i>	<i>Lynda Forman</i>		-----

Other Church News:

'Friend's of St. Clement's Lottery: November Winners:

£25: No. 62: Mrs J Hemmings

£ 5: No. 12: Wendy Watson

£10: No. 37: Mrs Mary Cook

£ 5: No. 27: Mr & Mrs J Kinnear

Thank you very much to everyone who has supported this lottery over the past year - and in previous years too. Your continued involvement means we can continue to pay our bills and keep the Church in good condition.

If you are already a 'Friend' of St. Clement's Church and take part in the monthly draw, then you will shortly receive information regarding renewal for next year. If, however, you are not yet in this monthly draw and would like to be, then please contact Paul Forman, (Tel: 01526 398316 email: pauleforman@btinternet.com) for more details.

THE TOILET & NEW KITCHEN:

At long, long last, building work is about to begin! It has taken a while to raise the money and gain the relevant permissions, but finally we are there!

By the time you read this Newsletter, contracts should be signed and work on building the new kitchen will begin almost immediately - off site.

All being well, the contractors will move into Church on Monday January 6th. and transform the existing kitchen into an 'Accessible Toilet'. Then the new kitchen will be fixed onto the west wall at the back of Church. This will look like a set of cupboards when not in use, but when needed will open up and roll out into a servery with work tops, sink and a PROPER DRAIN - amongst other things. We can't wait!

The Fantastic Fiskerton Quiz:

Many thanks to everyone who came along and took part in the Quiz night on November 16th. A profit of £210 was made. Usually this goes into Church funds, but this year the PCC decided to send £100 of it to the Disasters Emergency Committee who are raising funds for the survivors of The Philippines after the typhoon. Thank you.

ADVERTISING in Fiskerton Newsletter. Existing advertisers have already been notified about renewing their advert for 2014. However, if you think your business could benefit from an advert in this Newsletter, then please contact the editor for details and costings for 2014.

Sunday Services – December

All services are family and youth-friendly with a vibrant children's programme. Coffee 10.45am

Sunday December 1st, 11am at Fiskerton Village Hall with a Special Guest Speaker

Sunday December 8th, 11am at Reepham & Cherry Village Hall

Sunday December 15th, 11am at Fiskerton Village Hall

Tuesday December 17th, 7.30pm Carols on the Green at Cherry Willingham with mulled wine & mince pies. You might like to bring a torch or a lantern

Sunday December 22nd, 11am CHRISTMAS SPECIAL at Reepham & Cherry Willingham Village Hall

CHRISTMAS DAY, 11am in the coffee lounge at Fiskerton Village Hall – a short all-age service for Christmas morning, with carols and a brief Christmas message. Bring a Christmas present to show.

Connect groups for all ages,
providing a social setting for you to connect with people, understand the Bible and grow in faith

Adults : Tues 8pm, Cherry Will.
Wed 7.30 pm, Fiskerton

Youth Connect Thurs 3:30-4.40,
Cherry Willingham Youth Wing
Other Activities and Events for all ages

The Mix for 11-17 year-olds
Friday Nights 7pm
Lots of different activities
Tel 876996 for details

The Third Thursday Book Club
For women who love to read a good book and talk about it with friends. We read a wide variety of good books. A different one each month. Copies available for you.

7.30pm Thursday December 19th.
For further details contact Veronica:

For other church activities,

www.thevinecommunitychurch.org.uk

or Tel (01522) 872011 (Church Office)

The Vine Community Church Reg Charity 1142056
is part of the Ground Level Network of Churches

The Vine Church is linked to a children's home and home for abandoned babies in Kenya, through regular support and short-term work as volunteers in the homes; there is a range of opportunities to get involved in this important work.

Until December 8th – 40 days of Prayer

40 days of Christians from churches across this area gathering together to pray for our area.

CHARITY NEW YEAR'S EVE

FAMILY PARTY!

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FISKERTON VILLAGE HALL

31 DECEMBER 2013 7.30PM TIL LATE

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Hall Bookings : Contact Ann 0774 983 6283

Beavers (Age 6-8) meet on a Tuesday

Cubs (Age 8-10) meet on a Thursday

Scouts (Age 10-14) meet on a Wednesday

Explorers (Age 14 – 18) meet on a Friday

Fiskerton Primary School PTA Christmas Fayre

Thursday 5TH December 2013 from 6pm

With performances from the Salvation Army & the School Choir

Games

Tombola

Crafts

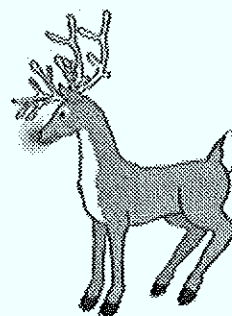
Gifts

Mulled Wine, Mince Pies & Hot Turkey Rolls

Mums & Dads Presents to buy



And a special visit from Santa Claus



Reepham Rascals Baby and Toddler Group

Thursday's* 10am – 11.30am

At Cherry Willingham & Reepham Village Hall

Our aim is to provide children aged 0-4 years
with an opportunity to socialise and learn through play.

£1.50 for an adult & child then 50p for any extra person.

Please call Louise on 01522 753828 for more information

* Group doesn't meet on the 3rd Thursday of every month

CRAFT CLUB

Fiskerton Village Hall
on the 1st. & 3rd. Tuesday of every month

10am—12noon & 7pm—9pm
£3 pp per session

A variety of crafts will be covered and existing crafters are
very welcome.—bring your craft along to share with others.

Tea and coffee will be available for a small charge

For further details please ring Mandi Hill
01522 872740

A way to meet new friends

NEW BUSINESS.....

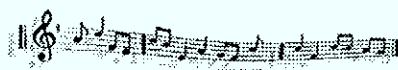
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Candlelit Concert



FRIDAY DECEMBER 13th.

St. Clement's Church, Fiskerton

To Begin at 7.30pm

Featuring

Cherry Willingham Community Choir, Reepham WI Choir,

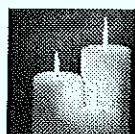
Christine Burnett, The Strummers.

After the Concert wine & soft drinks will be served

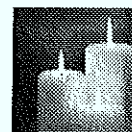
along with a selection of 'bite-sized' refreshments.

You will have the chance to be the first to view this year's decorated trees.

There is no charge for this concert, although a Retiring Collection will be taken.



*We hope you will be able to join us for a lovely evening
of Music and a Leisurely Wander through the Christmas Trees.*



Coffee Morning in aid of Action for Children:

Many, many thanks to all who supported this event, we raised the grand sum of £625 which has already been sent to AFC. Since then I have received a further £21.20 and two promises of donations to come. Final total in the January Newsletter.

So many people helped in so many ways: Baking, buying a quiz, giving items to sell, donations of money (including one of £100) paying for coffee/tea etc., entering the "guess" what-ever (!) coming and buying on the day and generally supporting the event. Thank you so much.

A special thank you to all my helpers: Alison and Tom (all the way from The Lake District), Mary, Lois, Sandy, Ann, Dave, Janet and, of course, Peter! I couldn't have done it without them.

I thought you would like to know how much we have raised over the years.....

Apr.05 £250.00, Nov.05 £277.20, Nov.06 £366.35, Nov.07 £353.14, Nov.08 £368.92

Oct.09 £403.80, Oct.10 £350.70, Oct.11 £503.00, Nov.12 £520.00, Nov.13 £647.05

Making a Grand Total of £4040.16

Brilliant eh? I know I've said it before but I will say it again: Many thanks to you all.

The final total for the "Downsizing Donateaway" was £308.76 to Action for Children and £308.75 to The Salvation Army and so thank you, again, to all who supported that.

Marion Howarth

PLEASE NOTE: If you wish to place items in the **JANUARY 2014 Newsletter**, they **MUST** be with the editor by **DECEMBER 10th**. This is due to Christmas Closure at the Printers.

Items can be handed in at Wishing Well Stores, or they can be posted to Mrs L. Forman, 'Applegarth', Ferry Rd. Fiskerton, Lincoln LN3 4HU TEL: 01526 398316.

You can also e-mail items to fiskertonnews@btinternet.com

What's On in December:

In The Village.....

THE LUNCH POT

Join us for a two course lunch. It will only cost you £3. 00 each.

The date for December is Tuesday 10th.

For more details ring Mary on 595291.



The Mobile Library:

The mobile Library will be at the Village Hall on **Tuesday December 10th**. between 3.30pm and 4.30pm. The vehicle has a lift/ramp for easy disabled access. Don't forget it is FREE to join and borrow books



The next meeting of Fiskerton WI will take place on **Thursday December 12th**. in the Village Hall, beginning at 7.30pm. Nettleham Community Choir will be entertaining us as this is the WI Christmas party. Members are reminded that they help with the catering. If you are unsure what is needed, then please contact Mary Gibson (01522 752117) for further details.

FISKERTON HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

Come and join us at the village hall on **Saturday 30th November** for our launch of our book "**FISKERTON THROUGH THE AGES**".

The book includes many descriptions and photographs of Fiskerton's rich past from 10,000 years ago when the last Ice Age ended. It illustrates Fiskerton's long and fascinating history, stretching right back to the very early days of man's activities in Britain and through to Fiskerton in the Second World War and more modern times. There is information, for example, on the important archaeological finds from the Bronze and Iron Ages, the history of Fiskerton's Long Wood, how the old manorial system operated here, the history of the five inns and pubs in the parish, the history of the last village blacksmith and much more.

Do come and join us. We will be at the village hall from 11.30 to 1.00pm with tea and coffee. The book will be on sale for £7.00 a copy: cheques need to be made payable to Fiskerton Parish Council. If you are unable to get along on the day and would like a copy please contact Sally Scott on 01522 750121 or email sally.scott@mypostoffice.co.uk

Fiskerton Village Hall Committee

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday 7th December

4.00 – 6.00 pm (food at 5.00 pm)

11 years and below only

Father Christmas will attend at 5.45
with presents.

Closing date for tickets, which will be
available from the Wishing Well Stores, is
Wednesday 4th December.

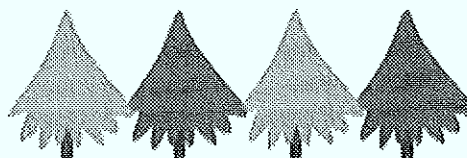
At 6.00 pm,

following the party,

**LIGHTING OF THE VILLAGE
CHRISTMAS TREE**

Come along and enjoy singing your
favourite carols.

Mince pies and mulled wine will be served



Please be advised that these are notes of the meeting taken by the Clerk and cannot in any way be regarded as the official minutes of Council proceedings until they are approved and signed at the next meeting. Official minutes are available at http://www.fiskerton-lincs.org.uk/html/meetings_minutes.html

PARISH COUNCIL – 4th November, 2013

Ø There is unanimous support for the solar farm proposals from members of the parish council following the exhibition in the village hall. Any planning application would of course need careful consideration.

Ø Remedial works costing £341 excl VAT are to take place in the play area – new shackles on swings and replacement turf and mats. Councillor Wall is to get prices for replacing the hinges on the double gates.

Ø Councillor Wall also agreed to get prices for hedging on the open space on Holmfield to replace the broken fence

Ø Road from Short Ferry to Fiskerton – LCC Highways reported that

(a) Ferry Road does not meet the criteria for any sort of speed limit,

(b) given current funding levels it is unlikely that a footway/cycleway would be built along Ferry Road and

(c) the areas where the edges are damaged and failing are on the list of desirable future works but there are higher priorities across the network. Potholes are to be filled in as required.

Ø District Councillor Darcel -

Ø Reported that Mr. P. Good had offered to pay for lighting on the teenage shelter if he gets planning permission for the solar farm. Councillor Darcel proposed putting in solid wooden seating and is to apply to WLDC for more funding. He also felt some sort of door cover was needed and offered to do sketches and costings; he would consult with relevant agencies, e.g. police, WLDC.

Ø Reported that two groups in Cherry Willingham are looking at alternate library plans – the parish council in the new and extended Co-op and another group to keep the library where it is but turned into a community hub

Ø Asked if the Parish Plan should be turned into a Neighbourhood Plan as any village development would bring in a greater infrastructure levy

Ø Suggested that monies should be put aside for purchasing the Paddock if planning approval is given for housing on the barn area

Ø Councillors reported on a meeting they had had with the Church Commissioners' Agent. WLDC had changed their planning guidelines re farm land and are willing to let the barn area be developed. The Church Commissioners wondered if the parish council would be prepared to accept building houses on part of the Paddock with the rest being given to the village as a public open space. The Parish Council had not been happy with these plans but had felt that if they did not agree, the Church Commissioners would continue to use the land as at present or just leave it as a field and the village would still not be able to use it. They had asked if there was any possibility of purchasing the field. Councillors will wait to hear the the Church Commissioners' response, but in the meantime, District Councillor Darcel was to talk to representatives at WLDC.

Ø All applications for the bus shelter have been submitted and are awaiting approval from LCC Highways

Ø Date of Next Meeting: 16th December, 2013, 7.30 p.m. in the village hall

VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS FOR DECEMBER:

Monday	16 th .	Parish Council	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Tuesday	3 rd . 17 th .	Craft Classes	10am – noon & 7pm – 9pm
Tuesday	10 th .	Lunch Pot	10am – 2pm
Tuesday	24 th .	Social Evening	7.30pm – midnight
Tuesday	31 st .	New Year's Eve Party	7.30pm – midnight
Wednesday	4 th . 11 th . 18 th .	Dance Classes	5pm – 8pm
Wednesday	25 th .	The Vine	10.45am - noon
Thursday	5 th . 12 th . 19 th . 26 th .	Aerobics	9.30am – 10.30am
Thursday	12 th .	WI	7.30 pm – 9.30 pm
Friday	1 st .	Coffee Morning	10am - noon
Friday	6 th . 13 th . 20 th . 27 th .	Bingo/Socials	7.30pm – midnight
Saturday	7 th . 14 th . 21 st . 28 th .	Weight Watchers	9.15am – 11.45am
Saturday	7 th .	Children's party, Lighting of Xmas Tree	12noon – 8pm
Saturday	14 th .	Private Party	7.30pm – midnight
Saturday	28 th .	Private Party	7.30pm - midnight
Sunday	1 st . 8 th . 15 th . 22 nd .	Social Evenings	7.30pm – midnight
Sunday	8 th .	Causeway Projects	2pm – 5pm
Sunday	1 st . 15 th .	The Vine	11am – 1pm

To make a booking or check availability please contact Booking Secretary Jenny Hayes on 07510281232

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5 pm – 5.30 pm Dragonfly Ballet (4-6 yrs)
5.35 pm – 6.05 pm Street Dance (4-6 yrs)
6.10 pm – 7 pm Burst Dance Academy (6.5-12)
7 pm – 8 pm Dancercise with Lisa (18+)

Classes starting Wednesday 25 September

Contact us for more information or to book
lisahurstdance@hotmail.co.uk
07890 545372
www.lisahurstdance.co.uk

Chris Darcel, WLDC Councillor for Fiskerton and Langworth, 3 Holmfield, Fiskerton LN3 4GD, tel 01522 750411, or email chris@darcel.entadsl.com

I am not sure if this will reach you before or after Christmas, but either way Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It is going to be an exciting one for Pat and me, I hope we will be Grandparents to twins early in the year and what could be better news than that!

This last month has brought several new items that have been on the agenda for a while closer to the boil.

It would seem we are to get two bus stops in the village, the pavement re-surfacing is all that is likely to be done for a while, the Church Commissioners are looking at plans for the old farm buildings and Paddock. If we want to keep the space for the village we may need to come up with some money. I am exploring ways this might be done at West Lindsey. The residents at Short Ferry Caravan Park are still struggling to form a residents association and would still like a proper footpath to the bus stop and a shelter so they can wait for the bus in comfort. Speed calming measures would seem to be more difficult. The "experts" don't seem to think we have a problem with speed in the village. Langworth had similar problems in Barlings Lane, but has managed to get new, more effective signage by offering to make a contribution to the cost of the work. It is the same with cars parking on verges or on the pavement. Again, in Langworth, where the problem is possibly more acute than here, the parish council is frequently told "there is nothing you can do" yet in the Echo some residents in Lincoln are upset because they are fined for parking on the pavement. One suggestion from a Langworth Parish councillor is that West Lindsey brings in a suitable bylaw to give the village some teeth.

The village Youth Shelter, I don't know if I mentioned this last time, but if the solar park goes ahead, Mr Good has kindly offered to arrange for the installers to fit a solar lighting panel to the roof.

Bonfire Nights. Yet again my phone has been ringing as a result of the very loud fireworks that have been let off over several nights this month. I don't think anyone would want to stop the enjoyment of others but it is the noise people find upsetting and the fright it causes their pets. I do not know what the answer is but perhaps if you are hosting a display you might consider going for more sparkle and less bang.

Money: Hampshire County Council, according to the Southern Echo, have slimmed 35% of top management jobs in the 3 years till the end of 2013 and saved £Ms. While this is unfortunate for the top managers who have lost their employment Front Line services have not been cut. If the same approach had been adopted here the libraries would be unscathed and the day centres for those with "special needs" would still be open and the pot holes filled.

In West Lindsey, when our income is going down, our management costs are going up! At least we now know why the council was building up a cash mountain last year. Perhaps I should be called Scrooge but I would rather see my council tax spent on services, or reduced, rather than on more directors. For a small organisation I would have thought West Lindsey has more than enough senior management already.

Please contact me on any WLDC matters you may wish to discuss.

CHERRY WILLINGHAM COMMUNITY CHOIR

Do you enjoy singing?.Yes? so men and ladies

**Come along to Cherry Willingham Primary School (LN3 4BD) Infant hall
7.30-9.00pm**

**When? Monday 2nd, 9th December & 13th, 27th January 2013-14
With Social Evenings**

**We will be singing a variety of songs including:- Jingle Bell Rock, Christmas
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E-mail jane.george1@ntlworld.com

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**LADIES BREAKFAST
SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2013**



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We are meeting at **8.45am for 9.00am** and after enjoying our breakfast, we will listen to an interesting, short talk from Christine Blackburn – **all for £5.20.**

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The Charity Coffee Morning at Cherry Willingham Church Hall IS BACK!

The work is just about completed on the Church Hall
so there will be a Coffee morning from 10am – 11.30am
on Saturday December 14th.

Come along for delicious coffee and cake, take a look at the Hall and meet up with friends.
There will not, however, be a Traidcraft Stall. That will begin again in January



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British summertime has now officially finished, which signals the start of dark nights and cold weather, we need to be vigilant in the care of our neighbours especially those who are more vulnerable, just popping in from time to time can be enough, keeping our eyes open to whether papers are still stuck in the letterbox or the curtains are shut when they are normally open, small things like this can often save a life.

Another option is to join the nominated neighbour scheme covered in the last edition.

It is not just the vulnerable that need to take care in these darker nights; here are our top tips for your safety:

If you are leaving your house unattended make sure you fit timer switches so that it looks occupied, draw curtains and blinds so your items are not in view of windows. Leave a radio on, this will also help to keep pets calm. Use a door chain so that you can see who is there before opening the door fully, it is also a good idea to have a good light outside your main entrance this way you can see who is outside from the window, do not be worry about leaving people at the door while you go to another window if you can not see, if it is someone you know they will be prepared to wait for you to come to the door.

If it is a workman who wants to come into your home always ask for identification, if you are not sure ask for a number to ring to check their identity before letting them in.

Distraction burglary isn't common, but we all need to be aware of it. This is where criminals call at a house posing as officials or asking for help with something such as a lost pet or a glass of water or pretending to be from an official company. They then make up a story to get inside to steal whatever they can find.

Some work alone, but often they work in groups of two or more, usually one person will knock at the door with a convincing excuse that seems genuine or urgent, the talker will persuade the victim to let them in and will keep you occupied whilst another will sneak in and search the house to steal cash and valuables, they can be men, women or children and smartly or casually dressed, as we have said this is not common but we all need to be aware to protect our property. If you suspect a bogus caller do not hesitate to call 999, don't let them in and don't get into conversation with them. Don't worry if they are genuine the Police would rather attend a false alarm than not be called to a distraction burglary.

If you are using a bicycle or motorbike ALWAYS wear High Visibility clothing. Hi Viz waistcoats cost very little and could save your life.

Park your car in a well lit area and remove all valuables and SATNAV holder marks. Look for the safer car park signs; this means the car park has passed minimum standards for safety and security.

If walking, stay in well lit areas and be aware of who is around you. If you feel threatened or at risk, knock on a neighbour's door or enter a public area.

On a lighter note we have a new PCSO at Nettleham, PCSO Glenn Patchett, who will be helping PCSO Jackie Parker with this area. Officers at Nettleham are:

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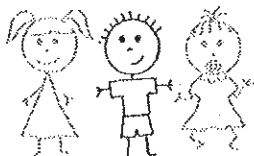
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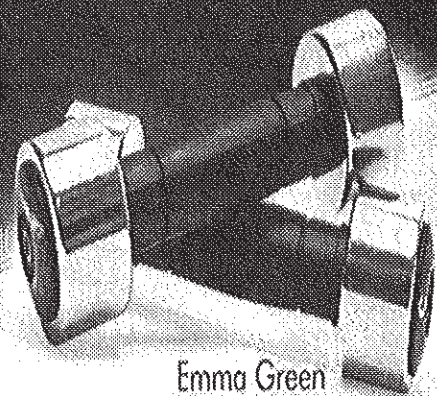
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