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Happy New Year 2023



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achievements of residents. Interesting contributions are always welcome. Please note your article will not be edited & it will be printed as you send it.

# 🏦 <u>Parish Pump</u> 🕷

Latest Menu Attached

Green: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Silver: 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Brown: 18<sup>th</sup>

# Ganesh's Wine Tasting

Thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas wine tasting on 3rd December. We had a lovely evening and raised £370 for the Trussell Trust who support the Food Bank.

# Halam WI

Happy New Year

Please remember that there is no WI meeting in January. The next meeting is 7th February 7.30pm in the village hall. The speaker is Anna Alls, the Vicar of Burton Joyce. We'll also be giving out the programme of speakers and activities for rest of the year.

New members and visitors always welcome, Sara

## Halam Christmas Charities 2022

The "Halam Christmas Charities" is a tradition dating back to the seventeenth century; many generations ago various Halam worthies left money for gifts to be distributed in the parish at Christmas time. Originally the bequests gifted "bread and coals", and the tradition carries on today but now in the form of a gift card so that recipients can choose their own festive treats. If you'd like to know more about the origins of the Halam Charities, please contact Andrew Paris: andrew\_paris@yahoo.com

Just before Christmas we distributed these gift cards to Halam households where a member is over 60 years of age – we hope you enjoyed them. Apologies to anyone we missed this year; it is surprisingly difficult to keep up with those who have had a milestone birthday in the past twelve months, and it becomes furthermore complicated as some households opt out of the scheme not wishing to receive the Christmas gift. We try to ensure that everyone eligible for the gift card who has not declined is included in the distribution. If anyone is over 60 in your household and we missed you this year, then please let us know if you would like to be included next year. You can also opt out of receiving this gift if you prefer. Please contact Deborah Woods on 813897.



What a busy time we have had !

We performed our Nativity Play "The Inn-spectors" to our parents and families. Key stage 2 were amazing learning so many lines and singing solos.

Our whole school trip to Newark to see Cinderella was so exciting (and noisy) the children had a wonderful time both at the theatre and riding on a double decker bus.

Grandparents were invited in to school to join us for our annual Carols and Mince, we performed some of our show songs, traditional carols and some children played their musical instruments. The wonderful feed back that we received made it all worth while.

The whole school shared a wonderful Christmas dinner, with crackers and party hats.

Going to the church to perform our service is always special. The solos and the singing were particularly emotional this year.

We hope to round off the Term with our Christmas parties and a special visit from Father Christmas.

We know that our cleaner Mr Ashmore will be happy when we have finished our craft days, school classrooms at this time of year are a nightmare for him.

We hope that you all have had a wonderful Christmas and wish you a happy new year, from all at Halam school.



As we enter 2023 Reverend Mary, the Readers, Churchwardens and members of the PCC wish everyone a happy and peaceful New Year. In past years the PCC have tried to brighten the dark evenings by turning on the church floodlights, however in these trying times we are no longer able to cover the cost of having the lights on. However, if anyone would like to sponsor the lighting of the church for any occasion such as birthday, anniversary or in memory for a minimum donation £10 per evening they should speak to the wardens, contact numbers are below. **Great Notts Toy Appeal.** A very big thank you to all who contributed to the toy collection. This year the need increased significantly; requests were received on behalf of 3,500 children compared with 2,500 last year. So very many thanks. Anne

1<sup>st</sup> January No Service 8<sup>th</sup> January 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Epiphany Holy Communion - Rev. Mary 11.00a.m. 15<sup>th</sup> January 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany All Age Service - followed by refreshments - Joan 11.00a.m. 22<sup>nd</sup> January 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany Sung Eucharist - Rev. Mary 11.00a.m. 29<sup>th</sup> January 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany At St. Giles Edingley 'Songs of Praise' - Rev. Mary 9.30a.m. Contacts: Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens - Glenys Herbert 01636 812335 and Penni Wells 01636 813491 Lay Minister (Reader) Anne Godfrey 01636 814391 Food Bank: There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

#### Message from Rev. Mary

Happy New Year

Welcome to 2023. I wonder what your hopes and dreams are for this New Year. Have you made any New Year Resolutions? I long to see peace in troubled war-torn lands like Ukraine so that all can enjoy a life free from fear. In the Christian season we are celebrating Epiphany which means hope and joyful revelation. The name comes from the Greek epiphaneia meaning appearance when we remember the wise men who brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the Christ child. They symbolise everyone coming to worship Jesus. One of my favourite hymns is 'O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.' The hymn talks of comforting us in times of sorrow and quiding our steps.

So, as we step into the New Year may our hopes be realised in our community; our country; our world. Every blessing, Rev. Mary

# <u>Halam Parish Council Meeting – 7.30 pm</u> <u>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 held at Halam Village Hall</u>

## <u>Present</u>

Mr Simon Bust, Mr Andrew Paris, Mrs Glenys Herbert and Mr Ganesh Subramanian

## Apologies

Mr Chris Bevans, Mrs Janet Simmonds, and Mrs Sarah Godfrey

#### Village Hall

Sound baffling/acoustic insulation – has been ordered. Installation to be arranged once they have arrived. Table and new chairs – the Clerk is sourcing new matching red chairs. Table(s) for the W.I. – the small table already bought is too small. More information needed.

Quotes are still awaited for the boundary wall. Insurance – re-build cost of the village hall is £275,000 – insurance has been adjusted accordingly. Village hall working party - as there has been a very limited response to this, it was agreed to employ a local handyman/tradesman to sort the a few outstanding maintenance & repair, and redecoration issues still outstanding with the hall.

#### Replacement Noticeboard for the Bus Shelter

There are two noticeboards presently on the bus shelter, both are in a very poor condition; one is the parish council's noticeboard and the other belongs to Halam W.I. The W.I. have decided not to replace their board and it will be removed.

There are a couple of options for the parish council's board – the current noticeboard on the bus shelter could simply replaced with a new one in the same location, OR the old bus shelter board could be removed and a new one installed on the front of the village hall. **Comments or suggestion from the village on where** 

# a new board should be placed would be very welcome.

#### Roads & Hedges

Some of the temporary road work signs have now been collected, but there are some still left behind, and some roadworks cones still left in the village. This will be raised again with County Cllr Bruce Laughton.

The state of both School Lane and Holme Lane is still very poor This will be raised with the County Council yet again.

## King's Coronation – 8th May 2023

It was agreed that the parish council should help organise celebration/commemoration of this historical event. Suggestions included a Coronation mug for each village household, a quiz night, village tea. The parish council will liaise with the village Events Committee. To be put on the agenda for next meeting.

#### **Open Meeting**

A parishioner reported that the wooden "Footpath" sign for St Helen's Lane is still broken and needs restating. The Chairman and Clerk will look into this.

#### **Correspondence**

Parish Oak Tree from The Sherwood Forest Trust – Andrew Paris has submitted the application for the village.

An application for funds for the Citizens' Advice Bureau had been received – agreed to take no further action.

<u>Planning</u>

None

#### Planning Decisions

 <u>1. Littledale Cottage Farm, Mansfield Road:</u> Agricultural shed (permitted development)
Refused by Newark & Sherwood District Council
2. Halam Grange, The Turnpike: Application for lawful

development certificate for proposed Solar panels to the rear roof of Halam Grange

Approved by Newark & Sherwood District Council

<u>3. Walnut Tree Cottage Radley Road:</u> New windows and door to barn. Retrospective approval of windows to link section and details of the barn and link; materials, pointing, vents and flues, verge and eaves.

Approved by Newark & Sherwood District Council

<u>4. Land at Evergreen Barn, School Lane:</u> Tree Preservation Order No. N406 2022

Temporary order placed by Newark & Sherwood DC

#### **Finance**

Precept – the precept for 2023-24 was discussed and the current budget circulated. Final decision at January's meeting.

Deposit for 2<sup>nd</sup> set of Gateway Signs – 1<sup>st</sup> set of signs to be erected in December. Need to assured that finance will be forthcoming from the County Council before we commit to ordering the 2<sup>nd</sup> set. The cost of the signs is set to increase at the end of December. Clerk to obtain further information.

Clerk's wages – waiting for further information from NALC.

Agreed unanimously to pay for:

- 1. Replacement defibrillator pads
- 2. Chairs and table samples (already purchased)
- 3. £1,500 grant to Halam school PTFA

#### Date of next meeting

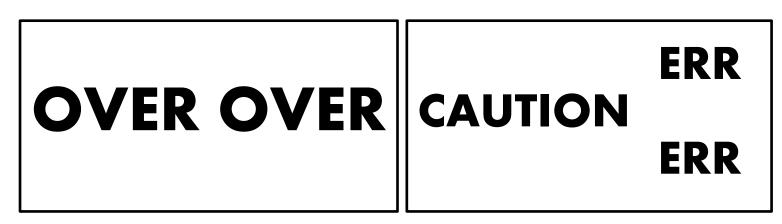
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#### Parish Council Elections

Elections for members of the parish council take place on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023. If you are interested in joining Halam parish council why not come along to a parish council meeting or two to find out more about the work of the council and how the meetings run. More information on how to.

Dingbats - Last month's answers were "Safety in Numbers" and "Jack in a Box"





# Two Courses £19 Three Courses £22

## Starters

Bowl of Soup & Homemade Bread

Warm Jerusalem Artichoke, Blood Orange & Feta Salad

Smoked Bacon BBQ Beans & Poached Egg on Toast

Crispy Lemon & Black Pepper Haddock Goujons, Tartar Sauce

Crispy Fried Cauliflower, Ginger, Chilli & Corriander

#### Mains

Warm Haslet, Chunky Chips, Fried Egg, Peas & Brown Sauce

Crispy Chicken Katsu Curry, Spicy Cabbage Slaw & Steamed Rice

Smoked Haddock & Prawn Fish Pie, Cheesy Mash & Peas

Stoppard's Hangar Steak, Mushrooms & Onions, Skinny Fries, Peas & Pepper Sauce (Steak £2 Supplement) Shin Beef, Real Ale & Chestnut Mushroom Pie, Mash, Peas & Gravy

Waggons Steak or Crispy Chicken Burger, Onion Slaw, Dill Pickles Barbecue Sauce & Fries (Add Bacon & Cheese £1)

Honey & Soy Glazed Cod, Thai Red Curry Sauce, Steamed Rice & Asian Slaw (£2.00 Fish Supplement) Twice Baked Cheddar Cheese Soufflé, Creamy Mushroom Sauce, Fries & Salad

Beer Battered Haddock & Chips, Chunky Tartar Sauce & Minted Mushy Peas Side Orders

Mixed Seasonal Vegetables £3.00 · Beer Battered Onion Rings £3.00 Hand Cut Chunky Chips £3.50 · House Dressed Salad £3.00 · Fries £3.00

All our products are locally sourced whenever possible. All food is freshly prepared to order so your patience is appreciated. If you have any allergies or dietary requirements, please let us know and we will do our best to adapt the menu to your needs. Please note if you choose just one course all meals are individually priced so prices may vary.



# Desserts

Raspberry Bakewell Tart & Vanilla Ice Cream Warm Profiteroles, Honeycomb Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce Chocolate Orange Steamed Pudding & Custard Caramelised Apple Crème Brulee & Brandy Snap Biscuit A Selection of Thaymar's Luxury Ice Creams Wedge of Cheddar or Stilton, Balsamic Onions & Homemade Bread

# **To Accompany**

# Château Loupiac Gaudiet 75ml £5.50

Taylors LBV Port - 50ml £3.95

# To Finish

Americano £2.50 Espresso £2.00

Cappuccino £2.60 Double Espresso £3.00 Liqueur Coffee £5.50

Latte £2.60 Hot Chocolate £2.95

English Breakfast Tea, Earl Grey, Peppermint, Chamomile, Green Tea, All £2.00 Each



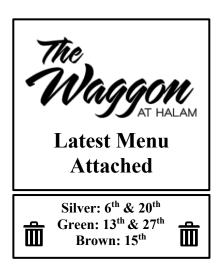
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#### Halam WI

The next WI meeting is Tuesday 7th February 7.30pm at the village hall. Our speaker will be Ann Alls, Vicar of Burton Joyce. We'll also be giving out the programme of speakers and events for 2023/24.

March's meeting is Tuesday 7th and is the AGM.

To keep up to date with what we have going on at Halam WI follow us on Facebook and Instagram. For details on joining email Halamvillagewi@gmail.com

#### **Parish Council Elections**

Elections for members of the parish council take place on  $4^{\text{th}}$  May 2023. If you are interested in joining Halam Parish Council, why not come along to a parish council meeting or two to find out more about the work of the council and how the meetings run. More information on how to stand for election as a Halam parish councillor will be available nearer to May.

#### Time to get walking again!

With Spring on its way we start to think about getting out to walk in the beautiful English countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Nottinghamshire https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/notts has loads of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (who maintains the website) said 'There is so much walking information on the web, but it is difficult to find. Walking in Nottinghamshire (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!



We would like to introduce you to our new executive head, Mrs Speed. We have asked her lots of questions:

#### What were your previous jobs?

I have been a headteacher for nearly 17 years, and before that I taught in lots of schools in Nottinghamshire. Before being a teacher, I worked in publishing and as a care Assistant in a special school.

What hobbies do you have?

My hobbies are reading, (I love Jane Austin and crime fiction), riding (I had my own horse until last year) and visiting my sister in Cornwall. What sports do you like?

I love equestrian sports (dressage, cross country, and three-day eventing) and enjoy swimming, but I also like watching football and snooker.

By Rachel, Chloe and Jasmine.





Lent begins in February and is a time for reflection and thinking about what we do in our lives, at St Michael's we need people willing to help clean the church on a rota basis. Are you able to spare an hour once a month, or possibly every other month? Before Covid there was a successful active rota, after three years of relying on the Churchwardens to do all the cleaning we would like to reintroduce a scheme to share the work. During 2022 we were fortunate that Will and Alex, two school pupils helped as the voluntary service section of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, their dedication and willingness was very much appreciated.

If you would like to know more about what is required, please contact one of the Churchwardens.

**Collections from Carol Service and Crib Service.** A very big thank you to all who came to services over the Christmas period, the collections from the Carol Service and the Crib Service resulted in two local charities, Reach and Framework each receiving £225.60. Thank you for your generosity.

5 <sup>th</sup> February	5th Sunday After Epiphany
11.00a.m.	Morning Worship
12 <sup>th</sup> February	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany
11.00a.m.	Holy Communion
19 <sup>th</sup> February	Transfiguration Sunday
11.00a.m.	All Age followed by coffee
22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Ash Wednesday
7.00p.m.	At St. Giles Edingley
26 <sup>th</sup> February	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent
11.00a.m.	Sung Eucharist

Contacts: Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens - Glenys Herbert 01636 812335 and Penni Wells 01636 813491 Lay Minister (Reader) Anne Godfrey 01636 814391

**Food Bank:** There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

## Message from Rev. Mary

As I walked up my garden path there were lovely signs of spring around the corner with tiny shoots of fresh green.

The delicate snowdrops, or Candlemas bells remind us of the feast of Candlemas when Mary and Joseph met Simeon and Anna in the Temple. They rejoiced to see the Christ who would bring light in the darkness.

Candlemas is the day when the church's year changes direction. We turn from Christmas to Lent, Good Friday and Easter. It's the growing time of the year.

February 22<sup>nd</sup> is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. It is a time for 'spring cleaning' our lives. There will be a joint service for Halam and Edingley at 7.00pm in St. Giles.

On February 27<sup>th</sup> we remember the priest and poet George Herbert (1633). He wrote the lovely words to the hymn 'King of Glory, King of Peace: I will love Thee.' He cared for his flock at his church at Bemerton near Salisbury and encouraged them to praise God every day. He wrote 'Seven whole days not one in seven I will praise thee.'

So, enjoy the signs of nature awakening and the longer hours of daylight as you minister to one another. Every blessing

Rev. Mary

# <u>Halam Parish Council Meeting – 7.00 pm Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2022</u> <u>held at Halam Village Hall (Single Item Agenda Meeting)</u>

#### <u>Present</u>

Mr Simon Bust, Mr Andrew Paris, Mrs Sarah Godfrey and Mr Ganesh Subramanian

## **Apologies**

Mr Chris Bevans, Mrs Janet Simmonds, and Mrs Glenys Herbert

#### Village Entrance Signs

The feedback about the two signs installed on Halam Hill and the Mansfield Road entrance to the village has been very positive. A deposit will need to be paid before the end of December to secure the current price for the two further decorative entrance signs for the village. These signs are for School Lane and Radley Road. The money for these has been promised in an email from from the County Council, so the extra two signs will be at no cost to the village.

It was discussed whether these two signs should be bought or not. Andrew Paris queried whether the signs may make the country signs look too urban.

It was felt that the new signs are attractive and give an identity to the village.

The parish council had previously voted (last year) to have four signs erected, and it was felt that this earlier decision should stand. Accordingly, it was agreed – three for with one abstention – to pay the deposit and proceed with the two further signs.

# <u>Halam Parish Council Meeting – 7.30 pm Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022</u> <u>held at Halam Village Hall</u>

## Present

Mr Andrew Paris, Mr Chris Bevans, Mrs Glenys Herbert and Mr Ganesh Subramanian (arrived later)

# <u>Apologies</u>

Mr Simon Bust, Mrs Janet Simmonds, and Mrs Sarah Godfrey

# <u>Village Hall</u>

Sound baffling/acoustic insulation – waiting delivery Table and new chairs – the Clerk sourcing new matching red chairs. Table(s) for the W.I. - more information is being provided. If the W.I. buy these tables they will need to be stored securely, possibly in a lockable cupboard. To be discussed further at the next parish council meeting Boundary wall - ongoing

Main door – may need repairs and needs painting. In progress with trades.

Projector screen has been broken – Chris Bevans to investigate replacement

P.A. System – Chris Bevans to obtain prices

The outside lighting has been replaced. Emergency signage/lights have been fixed and a new infrared heater installed.

# **Replacement Noticeboard for the Bus Shelter**

There has been no feedback from the village. Andrew Paris suggested that a new notice board could be part of the commemoration of the Coronation this year.

Comments or suggestion from the village on where a new board should be placed would be very welcome.

# Roads & Hedges

The state of both School Lane and Holme Lane is still very poor The Clerk will raise this with the County Council yet again. The footpath sign for St Helen's Lane has been replaced with a new metal sign – the County Council no longer instal wooden signs.

# King's Coronation – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023

This will be discussed further at the next parish council meeting - it was agreed that the parish council will work with the events committee to organise some sort of weekend of events similar to that held for the Platinum Jubilee. This may be a joint event with Edingley.

# **Correspondence**

The Chairman of Newark and Sherwood District Council is organising a charity Musical Evening on Saturday, 25 February 2023 at 7pm for 7.30pm. The event is "Songs from the Musicals" and is being held in aid of the Children's Bereavement Centre in Newark. Tickets are £10 and can be booked at https://bit.ly/3YNEgds

# <u>Planning</u>

None

# **Planning Decisions**

None

# <u>Finance</u>

Precept – it was unanimously to keep the precept for 2023-24 the same a last year at  $\pounds4,000$ 

- Agreed unanimously to pay for:
- 1. Water bill at the allotments
- 2. Village Hall emergency lighting, 2 new outside lights
- 3. NALC training courses (2) for the Financial Officer

# Date of next meeting

The Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February in the village hall.

Members of the public are reminded that they are welcome to attend any parish council meeting to find out about the work of the council. There is an opportunity to raise issues with the parish council at the meeting during the open part of the meeting.

Dingbats - Last month's answers were "Over and Over again" and "2 Err on the side of Caution"



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# Two Courses £20 Three Courses £23

# Starters

Bowl of Soup & Homemade Bread

Marinated Goats Cheese, Chicory, Apple & Walnut Salad

BBQ Pulled Pork Croquette & Garlic Mayonnaise

Crispy Fried Mussels, Dill Pickles & Tartar Sauce

Twice Baked Cheddar Cheese Souffle & Mushroom Sauce

## Mains

Seared Lambs Liver, Crispy Bacon, Spring Onion Mash, Creamed Cabbage & Onion Gravy

Creamy Smoked Haddock & Spinach Lasagne, Roasted Tomato Sauce, Shaved Parmesan & Salad

Slow Roast Belly Pork, Boulangère Potatoes, Tender Stem Broccoli, Roasted Onion Purée & Gravy

Stoppard's Hangar Steak, Mushrooms & Onions, Skinny Fries, Peas & Pepper Sauce (Steak £2 Supplement) Chicken, Ham & Mustard Pie, Chunky Chips, Peas & Gravy

Waggons Steak or Crispy Chicken Burger, Onion Slaw, Dill Pickles Barbecue Sauce & Fries (Add Bacon & Cheese £1)

Pan Fried Seabass, Spring Onion Mash, Kale & Citrus Butter Sauce (£2.00 Fish Supplement) Ricotta & Spinach Stuffed Pancake, Roast Tomato Sauce, Fries & Salad

Beer Battered Haddock & Chips, Chunky Tartar Sauce & Minted Mushy Peas

## **Side Orders**

Mixed Seasonal Vegetables £3.00 · Beer Battered Onion Rings £3.00 Hand Cut Chunky Chips £3.50 · House Dressed Salad £3.00 · Fries £3.00



# Desserts

Mini Egg Chocolate Brownie & Vanilla Ice Cream Warm Profiteroles, Toffee Fudge Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce Honey & Vanilla Roasted Rhubarb Pavlova & Mascarpone Cream Blood Orange Panna Cotta & Lemon Biscotti A Selection of Thaymar's Luxury Ice Creams Wedge of Cheddar or Stilton, Balsamic Onions & Homemade Bread

# **To Accompany**

# Château Loupiac Gaudiet 75ml £5.50

Taylors LBV Port - 50ml £3.95

# To Finish

Americano £2.50Espresso £2.00

Cappuccino £2.60 Double Espresso £3.00 Liqu

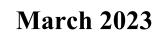
Liqueur Coffee £5.50

Latte £2.60 Hot Chocolate £2.95

English Breakfast Tea, Earl Grey, Peppermint, Chamomile, Green Tea, All £2.00 Each



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# **Coronation Plans for Halam**,

Full details are to follow in next month's edition, but the plans so far are: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Games Night (Chris Bevans to organise)

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May** – Pub Breakfast and Coronation to be shown in the Waggon. Followed by "A Right Royal Quiz"

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May – Picnic and games in the field (Halam Events Team to Organise) Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Parish Council Event in the Village Hall including Tea & Cake and presentation of the Commemorative Mugs

(All plans are subject to change, and this is the current working schedule)

If you have and other ideas or would like to get involved, then please do let me know.

## Halam WI

The next WI meeting is Tuesday 7th March 7.30pm at the village hall. It's our AGM for the first half of the meeting followed by a food inspired quiz.

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Parish Pump

April's meeting is 4th April, and our speaker is Judith Morris on 'Lifechanging Decluttering'. Please note April is also subs month.

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. New members always welcome, Sara

# Cake Crafts!

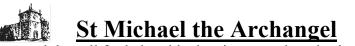
Sunday 26th March - 10am Halam Village Hall - £7 per person - Suitable for ages 10+ Come and have a go at creating some fabulous cake designs and having lots of fun! For more information and to book your place, please contact Ibby on 07745 841 401.

## **Parish Council Elections**

Elections for members of the parish council take place on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023. If you are interested in joining Halam parish council why not come along to a parish council meeting or two to find out more about the work of the council and how the meetings run.

The Notice of Election will be published on Monday 20 March 2023 and publicises the elections, gives the date in which prospective candidates must submit a nomination paper and consent to nomination.

There is further information and a Parish and Town Council Candidates Nomination Pack available on the Newark & Sherwood District Council website: https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/elections4may2023/





Thank you to those who answered the call for help with cleaning rota, there is always room for more so if you are able to spare an hour once a month please contact Glenys who will be happy to include you on the rota. The churchyard is also in need of a spring clear up, the 1<sup>st</sup> April is the date for the first working party of 2023, if you can help please meet at 10a.m. light refreshments are provided.

For newcomers to the village the service on Mothering Sunday will include the distribution of posies and will be followed by coffee giving us a chance to chat. On 2<sup>nd</sup> April, Palm Sunday we will meet in the car park at the Waggon

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Latest Menu Attached

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at 10.50 for the traditional procession to church with waving palms. Everyone is welcome at all services and for children there is a table set up with colouring sheets as well as some toys and books.

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26 <sup>th</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent
11.00a.m.	Sung Eucharist
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Palm Sunday
10.50a.m.	Morning Worship

**Contacts:** Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens - Glenys Herbert 01636 812335 and Penni Wells 01636 813491 Lay Minister (Reader) Anne Godfrey 01636 814391

**Food Bank:** There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

# Message from Rev. Mary

Wonderful! Spring is well on its way heralding crocus, daffodils, and green shoots. March begins with St. David's Day, the patron saint of Wales so 'bore da' to all the Welsh.

We are now travelling through the season of Lent; the time of 'spiritual' spring-cleaning and discipline – is it goodbye for now to chocolate biscuits!

March 8<sup>th</sup> celebrates Edward King who was bishop of Lincoln. It was said of him 'that whoever he met he drew to Christ.'

So on to March 17<sup>th</sup> and St. Patrick's Day the patron saint of Ireland so,'maidin mhairh' (good morning) to the Irish. The fourth Sunday in Lent is Mothering Sunday when we thank God for Mother Church and those who 'mother' us. So do join us as we thank God for that 'special' person in our lives.

March 26<sup>th</sup> begins with Passiontide when we walk with Jesus to the cross.

Thank you for all you do in our community through the food bank, the earthquake victims and praying for Ukraine. Part of the prayer for Passiontide reminds us 'that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do for Christ.'

Every blessing Rev. Mary

# <u>Halam Parish Council Meeting – 7.30 pm Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023</u> <u>held at Halam Village Hall</u>

## <u>Present</u>

Mr Simon Bust, Mr Andrew Paris, Mr Chris Bevans and Mrs Glenys Herbert

# **Apologies**

Mrs Janet Simmonds, Mr Ganesh Subramanian and Mrs Sarah Godfrey

# <u>Village Hall</u>

Sound baffling/acoustic insulation – agreed to pay (advanced payment required by manufacturer) Table and new chairs – six new chairs have been received. The were generally felt to be an improvement and very satisfactory. Agreed not to purchase any further tables as it was felt that the current ones are fit for purpose. Projector screen has been broken – Chris Bevans to obtain a replacement up to £100 (+ VAT)

P.A. System – on hold until sound baffling has been installed.

A request was received from the W.I. to be able to lock a kitchen cupboard. This was deemed to be impracticable. The cupboards in the fire escape lobby are still cluttered – mainly from the old mothers & toddlers' group. It was agreed to have a complete clear out, either via a table-top sale in the village hall, or to a charity shop. Once emptied a lock can be fitted for secure storage of the projector and any PA equipment in the future.

Some damage has been done to the gents cubicle door and the sink in the ladies. It was resolved to write to the Young Farmers to ask if they had any knowledge of these damages.

# **Replacement Noticeboard for the Bus Shelter**

The Clerk to investigate the costs of a Coronation commemorative notice board.

# Roads & Hedges

The state of both School Lane and Holme Lane is still very poor. The Parish Council continually lobby to County Council of this issue.

Some potholes are set to be filled shortly.

Issues with highways can be raised with the County Council online. The more people contacting the council regarding road problems in the village may have some effect:

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https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/report-a-road-or-pavement-problem

# King's Coronation Weekend – 6th May 2023

A schedule of events was discussed, proposals so far are for some sort of quiz or games night on the Friday, a screening of the Coronation in the pub on Saturday, a village event e.g., cream tea on either Sunday or Monday, and a further evening event. It was agreed that a Coronation commemorative mug will be presented to each household in the village (from the Parish Council). Andrew Paris to organise the mugs and distribution. The King has requested that no beacons should be lit.

# **Correspondence**

Some grant money may be available from Newark & Sherwood DC for funding the Coronation celebrations.

# <u>Planning</u>

<u>The Dials, Grey Lane: outline application for a two-bedroomed bungalow</u> – applicant taking this application to appeal.

This proposal was not supported by the Parish Council, and was refused by District Council

# **Planning Decisions**

None

# <u>Finance</u>

The budget update was circulated.

Agreed unanimously to pay.

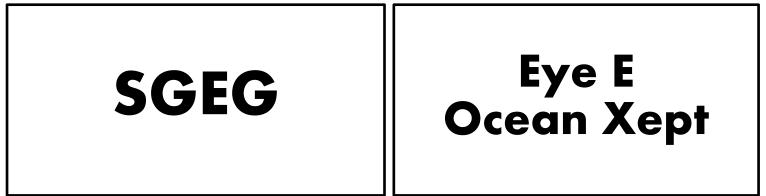
- 1. new chairs received
- 2. Village Hall supplies and printer paper
- 3. Sound baffling (advance payment)

# Date of next meeting

The Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March in the village hall.

Members of the public are reminded that they are welcome to attend any parish council meeting to find out about the work of the council. There is an opportunity to raise issues with the parish council at the meeting during the open part of the meeting.

Dingbats - Last month's answers were "Excuse Me" & "6 of 1 and half a dozen of the other"





# Two Courses £20 Three Courses £23

## Starters

Bowl of Soup & Homemade Bread

Hot Smoked Trout & Horseradish Pâte, Dill Pickles & Homemade Bread Potato, Swiss Cheese & Bacon Tartiflette

Smoked Duck, Beetroot & Orange Salad, Toasted Hazelnut Vinegarette

Crispy Fried Cauliflower, Gochujang Sauce & Pickled Radish

## Mains

Slow Roast Belly Pork, Champ Mash, Spring Greens, Apple Sauce & Gravy

Confit Duck Leg, Crispy Layered Potatoes, Sauteed Mushroom, Creamed Spinach & Gravy

Smoked Haddock, Spinach & Leek Risotto, Poached Egg & Shaved Parmesan

Stoppard's Hangar Steak, Mushrooms & Onions, Skinny Fries, Peas & Pepper Sauce (Steak £2 Supplement) Shin Beef, Mushroom & Real Ale Pie, Chunky Chips, Peas & Gravy

Waggons Steak or Crispy Chicken Burger, Onion Slaw, Dill Pickles Barbecue Sauce & Fries (Add Bacon & Cheese £1)

Pan Fried Salmon, Spring Onion Mash, Chorizo, Peas & Citrus Butter Sauce (£2.00 Fish Supplement) Twice Baked Cheddar Cheese Soufflé, Creamy Leek Sauce, Fries & Salad

Beer Battered Haddock & Chips, Chunky Tartar Sauce & Minted Mushy Peas

## **Side Orders**

Mixed Seasonal Vegetables £3.00 · Beer Battered Onion Rings £3.00 Hand Cut Chunky Chips £3.50 · House Dressed Salad £3.00 · Fries £3.00



# Desserts

Homemade Belgian Waffle, Banana, Vanilla Ice Cream & Caramel Sauce Warm Profiteroles, Toffee Fudge Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce Honey & Vanilla Roasted Rhubarb Pavlova & Mascarpone Cream Lemon Curd Crème Brulee & Vanilla Shortbread Biscuit A Selection of Thaymar's Luxury Ice Creams Wedge of Cheddar or Stilton, Balsamic Onions & Homemade Bread

# **To Accompany**

# Château Loupiac Gaudiet 75ml £5.50

Taylors LBV Port - 50ml £3.95

# To Finish

Americano £2.50Espresso £2.00

Cappuccino £2.60 Double Espresso £3.00 Liqueur Coffee £5.50

Latte £2.60 Hot Chocolate £2.95

English Breakfast Tea, Earl Grey, Peppermint, Chamomile, Green Tea, All £2.00 Each



# **Mothers Day**

# 2 Courses £24 & 3 Courses £27

# Starters

Bowl of Soup & Homemade Bread

Hot Smoked Trout & Horseradish Pâte, Dill Pickles & Homemade Bread

Potato, Swiss Cheese & Bacon Tartiflette

Smoked Duck, Beetroot & Orange Salad, Toasted Hazelnut Vinegarette

Crispy Fried Cauliflower, Gochujang Sauce & Pickled Radish

Mains

Stoppard's Baron of Beef Roast Leg of Lamb Roast Turkey & Stuffing Wild Mushroom & Roasted Root Vegetable Nut Roast

# All roasts are served with mashed & roast potatoes; honey glazed roasted root vegetables, Yorkshire pudding, seasonal vegetables & red wine gravy.

Pan Fried Salmon, Spring Onion Mash, Chorizo, Peas & Citrus Butter Sauce

Twice Baked Cheddar Cheese Soufflé, Leek Sauce, Fries & Salad

# Desserts

Warm Profiteroles, Toffee Fudge Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce

Honey & Vanilla Roasted Rhubarb Pavlova & Mascarpone Cream

Lemon Curd Crème Brulee & Vanilla Shortbread Biscuit

A Selection of Thaymar's Luxury Ice Creams

Wedge of Cheddar or Stilton, Balsamic Onions & Homemade Bread



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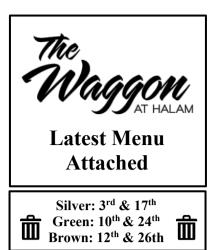




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big birthdays, weddings or reasons to celebrate the achievements of residents. Interesting contributions are always welcome. Please note your article will not be edited & it will be printed as you send it.





# <u>Walter William Kemp (Bill) 19/02/1932 – 01/03/2023</u>



Bill was from a long established Halam family he was born in Field Cottage which is at the top of Gray Lane.

First 3 years he lived in Halam then moved to Edingley until he left in 1956 when he

married Sybil, they came to live at Cooks Lane the other side of Halam hill.

Whilst at Cooks Lane Sybil died in 1973, a few years later Bill met Olive in 1976, finally settling in School House Halam in 1978 with Olive.

Early life was working for the War Ag sort of National Service for food production then at the local Brickyard. Finally, Norward Park for Sir William Starkey & Co

until, he retired at 65. He loved Travelling, Food, Beer, Dominoes, and robust debate! - Simon

Bill was a very complex character anyone in trouble he would be the first person to help. He seemed to have no fears of anything and had no patience for anyone who had. He loved music of any kind. He was very outspoken never spoke about anyone behind their backs always to their face. (Causing mayhem at domino matches) – Olive

"Thank you to everyone who sent me flowers, meals and cards after my 47 years of life with Bill ended. Halam is the most caring village ever, I love it. Love to you all. Olive Simon Tim Helen"

# **Coronation Plans for Halam**

After several meetings and lots of WhatsApp messages the event schedule has been finalised, please see the attached poster for full details, if you would like to get involved in any way, please do let me know.

# Village Bunting Project



Volunteers needed to help make bunting for the coronation celebrations. If you have any spare red, white or blue fabric (or a close combination thereof), donations would be gratefully received. We are also looking for people to make and sew this patriotic bunting. Please contact Julie Paris 0771 345 4930.

# <u> Piano Recital</u>



Saturday, 3p.m., 15 April. There is a piano recital at Halam Court (the house with the flagpole on Back Lane). It will be given by Peter Shepherd, the newly appointed Director of Music of Chesterfield Parish Church. The centrepiece of the programme will be Schubert's grand Sonata in B flat, along with works by Carl Nielsen and Rachmaninov; the piano is a Steinway concert grand.

Admission is free of course, and there will be a retiring collection in aid of Pets for Ukraine. Ideally, please notify your intention to attend by phoning David Butterworth on 07850 833890. Otherwise, it will be fine just to turn up. Entrance is round the back of the house.



# <u>Halam WI</u>

The next WI meeting is Tuesday 4th April 7.30pm in the village hall. Our speakers is Judith Morris, she will be talking about life changing decluttering.

May's meeting is Tuesday 2nd, and our speaker is Dawn Blunden who made Charles and Camilla's wedding cake. Follow us on social media for updates on future events. Sara.

# **Bea Perks LONDON MARATHON!**

For those of you who remember me, you'll know I've always been sporty, competitive and a lover of anything challenging! So this time I'm taking part in the London Marathon on April 23rd - my first marathon, ekk!

I'm running to raise money for Alzheimer's Society (a cause that's extremely close to my heart after seeing my Granny suffer from it for many years, with my mother as her sole carer)!

Alzheimer's Society help fund research and family support for those affected by Alzheimer's and I would love any donations you could possibly offer. Please scan the QR code, or follow the link below, to access the fundraising page! I will hugely appreciate any contributions, as will the Society as they continue their efforts! Thank you! https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tcslondonmarathon2023-beatrixperks

Lancaster Bomber Memorial – 80th Anniversary

In the early hours of Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April 1943 Avro Lancaster serial ED823 took off from RAF Winthorpe for a night navigation exercise. RAF Winthorpe, near Newark, was a training base for aircrew, and the airmen of ED823 were on their final training flight before becoming fully operational. As the Lancaster started to take off one of the engines caught fire, so now with not enough power to climb and the increasing threat of the fire spreading to the wing fuel tanks, the pilot looked for somewhere to crash land. At a very low level, the plane passed over the town of Newark, the outskirts of Southwell, and then to the open fields north of Halam. Sadly, as the plane passed over the ridge behind what is now Norwood golf course, the undercarriage caught electricity wires running along the hill, and the aircraft crashed into the ground, killing all seven crewmen.

In 2011, Andrew Paris and the Late Tony Denyer organised the erection of a memorial to the airmen, just off School Lane, near to the crash site.

This year marks the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the crash and on 10<sup>th</sup> April we will be holding a special service in remembrance of the crew of ED823.



Wreaths will be laid; the Last Post will be sounded, and a two-minute silence will be observed. The RAF are sending a representative along with RBL standard bearers. We are also expecting relatives of the airmen to be present. All are welcome to attend. (If the weather is bad the service will be held in Halam church).

# "We will remember them".

Pop up restaurant of tapas and paired wine. - Ganesh Subramanian and Simon Coulter

Simon Coulter will be creating some English themed Tapas from locally produced and seasonal ingredients. He reached the semi-final of MasterChef The Professionals. He has trained under Marcus Wareing and competed in the World Culinary Championship 2022. Tapas includes asparagus, oysters, brown shrimp, etc.

Ganesh Subramanian will pair wines for the Tapas. He has been raising money for charity with his wine tasting events for over 11 years in Halam, Notts. He has been in the wine committee of Royal College of Physicians for over12 years. He now heads the wine committee and is the Royal College's Wine Fellow.

Simon and Ganesh would very much look forward to welcoming you on the 19 May 2023 at the Great Hall, Bishop's Palace, Southwell for this exciting (first ever) event. Please visit the following website to book your tickets as they are very limited.

Any questions, contact Ganesh on ganeshandsara@gmail.com https://www.tickettailor.com/events/gstapasandwine/875666



## **Rooms At Rolleston**

In March 2023 the Rooms at Rolleston was formally opened; a 5-room guest house consisting of four double ensuite rooms and one single ensuite room.

Fully refurbished to a high specification, all rooms have complimentary tea, coffee and biscuits, smart TVs, towels, shampoo, shower gel and a hair dryer. Parking is free with check-in and check-out being self-service.

Block bookings are available for weddings, events, or contractors.

The rooms are within walking distance from Southwell Racecourse, a 5-minute drive from Kelham House, an 8-minute drive to Southwell and 14 minutes away from Newark.

"Lovely room, instructions to gain entry and check out were great and hosts were really helpful and very responsive. Will be booking again, thank you." – Beth, March 2023

Available to book on AirBnB or email <u>roomsrolleston@gmail.com</u> for further details.

# Parish Council Elections

Elections for members of the parish council take place on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023. If you are interested in joining Halam parish council there is still time to get your nomination papers in, The deadline is on Tue 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 4pm

There is further information and a Parish and Town Council Candidates Nomination Pack available on the Newark & Sherwood District Council website: https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/elections4may2023/.

# **Photo Identification Needed to Vote**

The UK Government has introduced a requirement for voters to show photo ID to vote in person at polling stations from these elections. You can use any of the following accepted forms of photo ID when voting at a polling station: -

Passport; Driving licence; Local travel pass; Proof of age identity card; Or other government issued documents.

If you don't have an accepted photo ID, you can apply for a free voter ID document, which is known as a Voter Authority Certificate. An application can be made on the government website - www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate



# <u>Fun in The Snow,</u>

The snow came to Halam. We were all so excited and spent most of the morning building snowmen on the field. Unfortunately, by lunchtime most of the snow had melted.

## <u>Take one picture.</u>

The whole school participated in "Take one Picture" project on Mr and Mrs Andrews by Thomas Gainsborough. Our parents came in and we had an assembly to show our artwork. Cherry class showed their beautiful pictures and models of a grand house of that era, Maple class showed bench designs for Mrs Andrews to sit on and Oak class created posters about Mr and Mrs Andrews, Thomas Gainsborough, and the landscape.

## **Dance Workshop**

We were lucky enough to have a lovely workshop by Springs Dance Company. Two women called Hannah and Ashley came over to us from opposite sides of the country. They taught us an amazing dance routine that showed the story of Easter.

## <u>Perlethorpe</u>

Oak class went on a school trip to Perlethorpe for an Anglo Saxon and Viking day. In the morning we learnt all about the Anglo Saxons and did some orienteering where we went around the area to find Saxon runes that formed a word. The word was King Alfred. We spent the afternoon in a Viking longhouse where we learnt all about the Vikings, we held real weapons, and everyone had a chance to do the chainmail challenge where you would pick up a very heavy metal chain dress. We had previously made Anglo Saxon and Viking food (which was not particularly tasty).

## <u>Time Travelling</u>

Maple class visited the Minster where they brought to life Christian belief and worship. The children took part in activities such as dressing up as pilgrims, making prayer bead bracelets, learning about the Holy Communion (using grapes and juice) singing in the chorister room and learning about fair trade using drama-it was so exciting! By Chloe, Rachel and Sienna



April is a very busy month with services preparing for the great Easter celebrations and for the coronation of King Charles III. If you want any information on any of the services and activities in the beautiful church of St Michael, the Archangel contact details for our church wardens are to be found below.

April 10<sup>th</sup> it will be 80 since the bomber crashed in Halam, please remember those who died and their families.

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2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Palm Sunday
10.50a.m.	Morning Worship (Meet in pub car park for procession with palms)
6 <sup>th</sup> April	Maundy Thursday
7.00p.m.	Holy Communion
7 <sup>th</sup> April	Good Friday
10.00a.m.	Good Friday Devotions
9 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Day
11.00a.m.	Holy Communion (followed by easter egg hunt)
16 <sup>th</sup> April	Second Sunday of Easter
11.00a.m.	Informal Service (followed by coffee)
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Third Sunday of Easter
11.00a.m.	Sung Eucharist
30 <sup>th</sup> April	Fourth Sunday of Easter
11.00a.m.	Service Preparing for Coronation

Contacts: Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens - Glenys Herbert 01636 812335 – Penni Wells 01636 813491

**Food Bank:** There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

# Message from Rev. Mary

As I write the sun is shining again after the snow. It is good to see the green grass again.

The beginning of April sees us entering Holy Week. April 2<sup>nd</sup> is Palm Sunday when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey revealing the servant heart of our Lord.

On the Thursday (April 6<sup>th</sup>) we remember Jesus with his disciples sharing in the bread and wine.

Friday brings us to Good Friday when Love went to the cross for the cost of our sin.

Saturday is the Easter vigil when traditionally people were baptised and so as we bring our lighted candles into church, we remember our baptism promises.

Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> is Resurrection Day. The prayer for Easter has these words, 'fill your Church with faith and hope for a new day has dawned.'

April 23<sup>rd</sup> brings us to the patron saint of England, St. George, who bore witness to the risen Lord by his life and by his death.

Soon we shall join in celebration of our new monarch's coronation, King Charles III. We pray for him and all the royal family.

So, keep ministering to one another as the days get warmer and nature keeps giving.

Every blessing

Rev. Mary

Dingbats - Last month's answers were "Scrambled Eggs" & "I before E except after C"





# <u>Halam Parish Council Meeting – 7.30 pm Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023</u> <u>held at Halam Village Hall</u>

# **Present**

Mr Andrew Paris, Mr Chris Bevans Mrs Glenys Herbert and Mr Ganesh Subramanian

# **Apologies**

Mr Simon Bust, Mrs Janet Simmonds, and Mrs Sarah Godfrey

# **Declarations of Councillors' Interests**

Andrew Paris declared a non-pecuniary interest in the school planning application as he is a governor of the school

Chris Bevans declared a non-pecuniary interest in the school planning application as he is chair of the school's PTFA.

# <u>Village Hall</u>

Sound baffling/acoustic insulation – has now arrived. Clerk & Chairman to arrange installation.

Bookings are running OK – the theatre club has returned as a regular booking.

The projector screen has been replaced – to be installed. The Young Farmers were asked about the damage to the toilets. A better checking system to monitor any potential issues will be put in place.

Front door – waiting price on repair and painting. A piano has been offered for the village hall, but there is

no requirement for one at present.

# **Replacement Noticeboard for the Bus Shelter**

After discussion it was agreed to defer a final decision to the next meeting.

# Roads & Hedges

The state of both School Lane and Holme Lane is still very poor. The Parish Council continually lobby to County Council of this issue.

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# King's Coronation Weekend – 6th May 2023

A schedule of events was discussed. Flyer to be produced for the next Halam News. The commemorative mugs have been ordered. Commemorative tiles, individually painted by each household, were proposed as part of the celebrations. The tiles could then by framed/mounted in the village hall. The idea was accepted in principle, but it was agreed that any such commemoration should be fitting for the event and the hall. To be discussed further.

# **Correspondence**

A letter had been received by County Councillor Bruce Laughton regarding a waste incinerator at the old colliery site in Bilsthorpe. Agreed to consider the matter if it comes before the parish council officially.

# <u>Planning</u>

Halam C Of E School, The Turnpike: installation of new black hooped metal fencing and fence panels to schools existing boundary

Unanimously not supported – agreed that fencing was too tall and too intrusive for the position of the school.

Littledale Cottage Farm, Mansfield Road: conversion of existing outbuildings attached to dwelling, including new and altered window and door openings, new rooflights, internal alterations and demolitions relating to floors, ceilings and walls. Conversion and extension of existing detached outbuilding to form new carport/garage.

Agree unanimously to support

# **Planning Decisions**

None

# <u>Finance</u>

Agreed unanimously to pay

1. village hall cleaners

2. NALC subscription

The members of the public were asked to leave the meeting: the Clerks contract and wages were discussed. Unanimously agreed.

# Date of next meeting

The April meeting of the parish council is the Annual Parish Meeting when the Chairman will review the work of the parish council over the past year. The meeting will start at 7.00pm on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April, followed by the parish council meeting at 7.30pm.

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# Two Courses £21 Three Courses £24

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Bowl of Soup & Homemade Bread

Crispy Stuffed Cheddar & Spring Onion Potato Skins, Sour Cream & Chive

Smoked Salmon, Baby Capers, Shallots, Watercress & Marie Rose Sauce

Korean Fried Chicken & Pickled Radish Salad

Asparagus, Soft Poached Egg & Hollandaise

# Mains

Crispy Breaded Pork Tenderloin, Spring Onion Mash, Tender Stem Broccoli & Onion Gravy

Creamy Mushroom & Spinach Tagliatelle, Shaved Parmesan & Basil Oil

Ballotine of Chicken, Parma Ham, Basil & Sundried Tomato, Champ Mash, Asparagus, Olive & Sundried Tomato Sauce

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# Desserts

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# Halam Village Coronation Celebrations 5th - 8th May

# Friday - Coronation Quiz Night

The Waggon with Pie & Pea Supper 7 p.m. prompt - booking essential Teams of 4 max. £15.00 pp

Saturday - Screening of the Coronation The Waggon - open at 9.30 a.m. All Day Breakfast available from 10 a.m.

# Sunday - The Coronation Big Lunch

Village marquee (next to the pub): 12 noon Bring your own picnic and something tasty for the sharing table Some take-aways will be also available from The Waggon.

If you have a fold up chair, then please bring it along as seating may be limited depending on how busy the event is.

We have also managed to secure the booking of the Lincoln & Micklebarrow Morris Dancers who will be performing from 1 p.m., please do join us if you can, you will be very welcome.

# Monday - The Big Help Out

Cream Tea in the village hall: from 3 p.m. Suggested admission - bring something for the Food Bank or for Bags 2 School Commemorative mugs will be given out

# 🏦 <u>Parish Pump</u> 🕋

# <u>Halam WI</u>

This month we welcome guest speaker Dawn Blunden from Sophisticake in Lincolnshire to our May meeting on the 2nd. She was commissioned to make Charles and Camilla's wedding cake in 2005 and we can't wait to hear her story.

Looking ahead to June, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of the month, we will hear all about capsule wardrobes from Halam village resident Claire Wright and her sister Jenny who co-own Stripes Fashion.

New members are always welcome to our monthly meetings which are normally held in the Halam Village Hall on the first Tuesday of the month - just make yourself known at the check-in desk and you are sure to receive a warm welcome. Follow us on Instagram or Facebook for the latest updates @HalamWI.

# Entertainment in Halam



Lovely to see several Halam-ites at our last concert at Halam Court, when Peter Shepherd gave us a dazzling display of piano works by Schubert and others. Our next concert is at 3 p.m. on Saturday, 27 May. Once again, members of our local community will be especially welcome to come along. The concert is by a (almost) local trio based in Lowdham. Music will

be by Bach, Granados, Brahms, Gerald Finzi and Dave Machell (a member of the group), and apparently there will be a Finale of a comic (?!) nature. As usual there will be light refreshments and there will be a collection in aid of Pets for Ukraine. If you can notify us beforehand, that will be useful, but, otherwise, please feel free just to turn up.

# Photo Identification Needed to Vote

The UK Government has introduced a requirement for voters to show photo ID to vote in person at polling stations from these elections. You can use any of the following accepted forms of photo ID when voting at a polling station: -

Passport; Driving licence; Local travel pass; Proof of age identity card; Or other government issued documents.

If you don't have an accepted photo ID, you can apply for a free voter ID document, which is known as a Voter Authority Certificate. An application can be made on the government website - www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate



# Church Service for Easter

Parents and friends were invited to our Easter service. Some of the year 6 children read readings from the Bible about the Easter story as well as year 4 and 5 saying poems in small groups. We sang lots of songs including Risen (a song all about Jesus rising from the dead) and Easter Jubilation. Cherry class sang Spring chicken and showed some amazing stained-glass windows pictures.

# **Eggciting Easter Activities**

Our annual "rolling the egg "competition was held on the playground which was great fun although rather smelly afterwards!

We also had a fun day decorating eggs, which were later judged by our super dinner ladies just before we broke up for the end of term. We hope you all had a wonderful Easter.

# Football Match

Year 5 and 6 football team played a game on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April against Bleasby School. It was a very tense match and unfortunately Bleasby scored in the last few minutes. Parents and past pupils joined us in cheering on our boys and girls in the wonderful sunshine. They played very well, and we all had a wonderful time. By Chloe and George



The 2023 Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in Church at 6.30p.m. on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May; actually, there are two meetings. The first is a Vestry meeting to elect the Churchwardens for the next year, anyone living within the parish can attend and vote for churchwardens. The second meeting is to elect members of the PCC and a representative for Deanery Synod, only those who are on the church electoral roll are able to vote for these positions.

The service on the 7<sup>th</sup> May will be a communion service before the village lunch to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, if anyone has any memorabilia from the last coronation in 1953 that they would like to include in a small display in church please contact the churchwardens.

7 <sup>th</sup> May	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
11.00a.m.	Holy Communion
14 <sup>th</sup> May	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
11.00a.m.	Morning Worship
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Ascension Day
6.30p.m.	At St. Giles, Edingley
21 <sup>st</sup> May	7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
11.00a.m.	Informal Service
28 <sup>th</sup> May	Pentecost
11.00a.m.	Sung Eucharist

Contacts: Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens - Glenys Herbert 01636 812335 – Penni Wells 01636 813491

**Food Bank:** There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

## Message from Rev. Mary

'God save the King!' This cry will ring out in Westminster Abbey as our 'Defender of the Faith', King Charles III is crowned on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

I expect there will be great celebrations throughout the land, Halam will be marking th moment with a church service and a lunch in the village. So your prayers are for our new king and the royal family.

May is a beautiful month with all the blossoms on the trees and bluebell time. May 8<sup>th</sup> is the day the church remembers Julian of Norwich. She served God with 'singleness of heart'.

May 17<sup>th</sup> is Rogation Day which reminds us how dependent we are on mother nature and one another.

May 18<sup>th</sup> is Ascension Day, there is a service at 6.30p.m. at St Giles. We recall Jesus' 'coronation day' when He ascended int o heaven.

May 28<sup>th</sup> brings us to Pentecost (Whit Sunday) when the Holy Spirit empowered the Church. The special prayer asks God 'to strengthen your children with the gift of faith.'

So, enjoy the colours and warmth of May. Keep being there for each other.

Every blessing, Rev. Mary

# <u>Halam Annual Parish Meeting – 7.00 pm Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023</u> <u>held at Halam Village Hall</u>

## <u>Present</u>

Mr Simon Bust, Mr Andrew Paris, Mr Chris Bevans, Mrs Glenys Herbert, Mrs Sarah Godfrey

## **Apologies**

Mr Ganesh Subramanian, Mrs Janet Simmonds

## Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that the parish council had been in a very positive financial position this year so that the parish precept had been held at £4,000, 50% less than two years ago. This year the heating system in the village hall had been upgraded and some sound baffling panels have been obtained. The sound improvements are due to be fully installed shortly. Since Covid, the village hall bookings have been increasing with the return of parties, a drama group, and Young Farmers' meetings.

Some of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) received for the development on Shaw's Orchard has been spent to install a water tap at the village allotments. It was hoped that this would have led to increased take-up of

allotments, but so far only a couple of the sites are let. Further advertising of the availability of allotments will be done next month (after the Coronation).

Some CIL money was donated to Halam C of E Primary School towards the erection of an outdoor classroom. CIL money was also donated to the Village Events Committee for the purchase of two marquees for village events.

Village celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee went well and were well attended. These were organised between the parish council and events' committee and included a celebration in the recently purchased village marquees, an event in the village hall, a commemorative mug for each household, and a Jubilee beacon, courtesy of Mr & Mrs Godfrey.

Two new illustrated road signs have been erected on the main road through the village, and a further two are being commissioned for School Lane and Radley Road. Funding for all these signs was obtained through County Councillor Bruce Laughton.

Probably the biggest issue raised at parish council meetings has been the state of the roads in the village, especially School Lane and Holme Lane. The parish council has lobbied the County Council to carry out repair work, and has put pressure on the County Councillors at every opportunity. Some pot hole repairs have been carried out, but the parish council will continue to put pressure on the County Council to improve the roads in Halam. The parish council has kept a close eye on the hedges in the parish, and, by working with landowners and residents, has managed to have most issues addressed that were brought to the council's attention.

The parish council has generally received good support from both the District and County Councils. Many thanks to District Cllr Penny Rainbow for her involvement, especially with planning issues, and thanks too to County Cllr Bruce Laughton for support at County level, including funding for the new village signs. Planning decisions made at District Council have been in line with the parish council representing the views of the residents of the village, apart from one this year.

The parish council has worked to represent the majority views of the parish, and generally all parish council decisions have been unanimous. There has been little public attendance at meeting which the council takes as a good sign that, on the whole, the village is happy with the work of the council.

The chairman thanked the parish councillors for their efforts and support this year. Thanks also to the Clerk and the Financial Officer for their essential guidance in procedural and financial matters.

# Next Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2024

# <u>Halam Parish Council Meeting – 7.30 pm Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023</u> <u>held at Halam Village Hall</u>

## **Present**

Mr Simon Bust, Mr Andrew Paris, Mr Chris Bevans, Mrs Sarah Godfrey and Mrs Glenys Herbert

## **Apologies**

Mrs Janet Simmonds, and Mr Ganesh Subramanian

#### Village Hall

Sound baffling/acoustic insulation – Clerk & Chairman to arrange installation. The replacement projector screen has been installed. A new sweeping brush needs to be bought (old one broken).

## **Replacement Noticeboard for the Bus Shelter**

After discussion it was agreed to buy a new noticeboard as a commemoration of the Coronation of HM King Charles III. The W.I. noticeboard will be removed and the existing PC board will be refurbished. Agreed 4 for: 1 against. Colour and wording to be discussed at next meeting – Andrew Paris to research.

# Roads & Hedges

Some potholes have been patched on School Lane and Radley Road, but no progress with Holme Lane so far. Some verge cutting has been done in the parish.

Issues with highways, including potholes, can be raised with the County Council online. The more people contacting the council regarding road problems in the village may have some effect: www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/potholes/report-a-pothole and www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/report-a-road-or-pavement-problem

# King's Coronation Weekend – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023

A schedule of events has been produced and circulated with Halam News.

The commemorative mugs have arrived ready for distribution on 8<sup>th</sup> May.

Commemorative tiles: Halam school have now taken over this project for the school children.

Final details for the PC cream tea still to be finalised.

Ganesh Subramanian will be asked to obtain prosecco and Julie Paris will be asking for volunteers to bake scones.

## <u>Planning</u>

Halam C Of E School, The Turnpike: installation of new black hooped metal fencing and fence panels to schools existing boundary

This application is to go before the District Council planning committee for decision. The parish council had previously voted not to support this application. Sarah Godfrey is to go to the meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> April to represent the parish council.

## **Planning Decisions**

Old Coach House and Ivy Cottage School Lane: Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed merging of two properties into one dwelling with internal works Granted by Newark &b Sherwood District Council

## **Finance**

Agreed unanimously to pay

1. village hall cleaners 2. replacement projector screen 3. Coronation mugs 4. Coronation flyer

## Parish Council Changes

Sarah Godfrey, Glenys Herbert and Janet Simmonds have decided to step down as parish councillors at the forthcoming election in May. The Chairman thanked the departing councillors for their input and support over the past years, with particular thanks to Glenys Herbert who has been a parish councillor for 40 years – the longest serving Halam parish councillor ever. The Chairman said that these ex-councillors would be very welcome to attend meetings in future as members of the public; their wealth of knowledge would be greatly appreciated.

## Date of next meeting

Thursday May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall <u>Members of the public are reminded that they are welcome to attend any parish council meeting to find out</u> <u>about the work of the council. There is an opportunity to raise issues with the parish council at the meeting</u> <u>during the open part of the meeting.</u>

**Dingbats** - Last month's answers were "A Big IF" & "Odds & Ends"

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# Two Courses £21 Three Courses £24

#### Starters

Bowl of Soup & Homemade Bread

Halloumi & Spinach Pakoras & Tamarind Chutney

Lemon & Dill Smoked Salmon, Celeriac Remoulade, Baby Capers & Watercress

Shakshuka, Baked Egg, Spicy Tomato Sauce & Homemade Bread

Smoked Ham, Asparagus, Soft Poached Egg & Honey Mustard Vinaigrette

## Mains

Confit Pork Shoulder, Creamy Polenta, Spring Greens, Sauteed Mushroom & Onion Gravy

Smoked Cheddar & Spring Onion Tartlet, Buttered Jersey Royals, Salad & Herb Mayonnaise

Nduja, Ricotta & Lemon Stuffed Chicken, Fondant Potato, Tender Stem Broccoli, Peas & Gravy

Stoppard's Hangar Steak, Mushrooms & Onions, Skinny Fries, Peas & Pepper Sauce (Steak £2 Supplement) Shin Beef & Real Ale Pie, Short Crust Pastry, Chips, Peas & Gravy

Waggons Steak or Crispy Chicken Burger, Onion Slaw, Dill Pickles Barbecue Sauce & Fries (Add Bacon & Cheese £1)

Pan Fried Hake, Crushed Jersey Royals, Asparagus, Peas & Tarragon Butter Sauce (£2.00 Fish Supplement) Twice Baked Cheddar Cheese Soufflé, Creamy Spinach Sauce, Fries & Salad

Beer Battered Haddock & Chips, Chunky Tartar Sauce & Minted Mushy Peas

**Side Orders** 

Mixed Seasonal Vegetables £3.00 · Beer Battered Onion Rings £3.00 Hand Cut Chunky Chips £3.50 · House Dressed Salad £3.00 · Fries £3.00



# Desserts

Chocolate Fudge Cake & Vanilla Ice Cream Warm Profiteroles, Honeycomb Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce Marinated Strawberry & Lemon Curd Pavlova, Chantilly Cream Prune & Armagnac Tart, Vanilla Custard A Selection of Thaymar's Luxury Ice Creams Wedge of Cheddar or Stilton, Balsamic Onions & Homemade Bread

# **To Accompany**

# Château Loupiac Gaudiet 75ml £5.50

Taylors LBV Port - 50ml £3.95

# To Finish

Americano £2.50Espresso £2.00

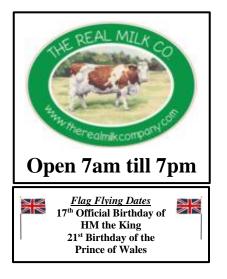
Cappuccino £2.60

Double Espresso £3.00

Liqueur Coffee £5.50

Latte £2.60 Hot Chocolate £2.95

English Breakfast Tea, Earl Grey, Peppermint, Chamomile, Green Tea, All £2.00 Each



HALAM NEWS



If you would like to contribute to a future edition of Halam News please send your article as you would like it to be printed using the details below by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month for inclusion the following month. Please do let me know of any big birthdays, weddings or reasons to celebrate the achievements of residents. Interesting contributions are always welcome. Please note your article will not be edited & it will be printed as you send it.

# 🎊 <u>Parish Pump</u>



Green: 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Brown: 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Silver: 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>



## A Huge "Coronation" Thank You!

To everyone who did anything towards the celebrations of the coronation. Halam did it in style and it was so nice to see so many happy smiling faces at the events that were arranged.

#### Southwell YFC Litter Pick

As part of the "Big Help Out on the Bank holiday Monday Southwell YFC arranged a litter pick around Halam and managed to collect 5 full bin bags of rubbish. A great effort and a huge well done to all involved. Thank you.



#### Thank you!

Many thanks to the kitchen helpers, scone bakers and the WI for helping make the Coronation Cream Tea/The Big Help-out such a success. Special thanks to Carolyn for going above and beyond the call of duty. Thanks also goes to the many people who brought food for the local food bank and bags of clothing for the next Bags 2 School project. We took hundreds of pounds of food to the Ollerton Food Bank and collected a large number of bags of clothing/shoes for the benefit of Halam School's next drive.

#### A massive thanks from the Food Bank!

As our village Coronation Cream Tea was being held on the Monday "Big Help Out" which was a National Day of Volunteering, we suggested that people brought an item for the local food bank. The response was wonderful and we had many, many bags of food donated.

When I finally took everything up to the Lifespring Ollerton Food Bank. As I was opening the boot and two back doors of the car, a lady came out from the food bank and said (and this is a direct quote): "Are you for real?" I said, "Pardon??" She said, "I can't believe you just drove up with all of this!" She went on to explain that their cupboard was literally bare (and offered to show it to me) due to budget cutbacks by the district and national governments. They were expecting some families to drop by the following day, and they didn't know what they were going to do as they've never had to turn people away before.

As she looked at all the food that Halam had sent she started crying (which made me cry) and said it was a miracle. I explained to her how this delivery had come about after our Cream Tea, and she asked me to please post our thanks to your village and tell them how massively grateful we are.

On a side note, don't forget that we have a food bank collection point in the entry of the church. Not only do people need food, but washing products, sanitary items, laundry powder, etc. If you feel that you have much, please consider giving to those that don't *Julie Paris* 

#### Grow Your Own? Halam Allotments Available!

Last year the parish council organised a water tap at the Halam allotments so that allotment holders can now water their plants much more easily. If you fancy having a go at growing your own fruit and veg, or maybe just some flowers, then there are some allotments available at the top of Gray Lane. And the parish council is holding the annual rents at a very reasonable £15 per year. Of course, if you don't fancy tackling a whole allotment, smaller plots can be made available.

Any required plots will be cleared and well prepared before being rented out – taking out a lot of work getting ready for your own crops.

We are hoping that there will be increased interest, in which case the council will be happy to improve the access, parking and maybe even some hedge work up Gray Lane!

For further details, please contact the parish council Clerk, Patrick Rickett on (01636) 813181.

#### Entertainment in Halam



The last two Saturday afternoon concerts in the Spring Series at Halam Court are as follows: On Saturday, 17 June, there will be a concert for violin and piano by Alexander Binns and his wife, Dora Chatzigeorgiu. These are a very popular duo, especially well-known in the Derby area, where Alex was recently appointed Cathedral Organist. This is basically a Nottingham & District Society of Organists event, but is open to all lovers of good music and especially members of the Halam community. Then, finally, on 1<sup>st</sup> July, David Butterworth will be

giving a solo organ recital, featuring a variety of music from across the ages. As previously indicated, it is useful to have some idea in advance how many might be coming, but – if not convenient – just feel free to turn up. Telephone number 07850 833890. Email: <u>dsbutterworth@halam.myzen.co.uk</u> Each concert starts at 3 p.m.

#### Halam Events Team Update

Another meeting has been held and plans are being made for our next events, watch this space for: Christmas Market – 19<sup>th</sup> Nov 2023 Leap Year Ball – 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 & Tempting Fete – 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024

#### Halam WI

Our June meeting will be held on the 6th at the village hall. Our speaker will be Halam village resident Claire Wright and her sister Jenny who co-own Stripes Fashion - they will be sharing their secrets to creating a capsule wardrobe.

Looking ahead to July, we will be hearing from Andrew Paris with Snippets of Halam History. New members are always welcome to our monthly meetings which are normally held in the Halam Village Hall on the first Tuesday of the month - just make yourself known at the check-in desk and you are sure to receive a warm welcome. Follow us on Instagram or Facebook for the latest updates @HalamWI.



#### **Bell Tent And Trim Trail**

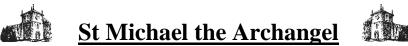
We are very lucky to have a big field big enough for a bell tent and a whole trim trail. Recently some builders have been round to our school and made a long trim trail course for our whole school to play on at playtimes. We also have a big bell tent full of bean bags, books and soft toys. It is placed on the edge of our field for children to sit in and read a book peacefully at break time or for quiet lessons.

#### **Coronation day**

As you probably know our king was crowned this month; to celebrate this our whole school played a variety of coronation games and made lots of different things to do with King Charles. We had the privilege of getting to wear red, white and blue clothes to school on the Friday before the coronation. To finish off our day at school, our parents came in to hear some of our coronation songs that we had been practising.

#### **Book Donation**

We were thrilled to receive a donation from two of our children's great Grandfather Calvert Townend who was a great lover of books. As part of his legacy, he wanted to leave some money to our school to spend on books. We have managed to add to "The 100 books to read in year 5/6 "and added some newly released books in all our classes. We are all extremely grateful and excited about these books. By Chloe and Jasmine



At the 2023 Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, Penni Wells and Glenys Herbert were elected as churchwardens for the next year.

After a very busy time, June sees a return to our usual pattern of services with a reminder that everyone is welcome at all services; a table with materials for children to use is by the side altar, at the end of services members of the congregation enjoy seeing the colourful pictures. On the third Sunday each month there is an opportunity for children to take a more active part in the informal services; any queries about services or possible involvement should be directed to the churchwardens, contact details are below.

<b>4</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>June</b> 11.00a.m.	Trinity Sunday Morning Prayer
<b>11<sup>th</sup> June</b> 11.00a.m.	Holy Communion
<b>18<sup>th</sup> June</b> 11.00a.m.	Informal Service followed by coffee.
<b>25</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>June</b> 11.00a.m.	Sung Eucharist

**Contacts:** Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens - Glenys Herbert 01636 812335 – Penni Wells 01636 813491 **Food Bank:** There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

#### Message from Rev. Mary

June shows nature adorned in all its glory. The hawthorn hedges are transformed with their white blossoms like a bride. Each month seems to have its own colours and June enjoys white with the cow parsley in the verges.

June 8<sup>th</sup> is a day of thanksgiving for Holy Communion called Corpus Christi; a prayer has these words – 'God ... you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the vine. Hear our prayer that being grafted into Christ we may grow together in unity.'

June 11<sup>th</sup> is the feast of St. Barnabas – he was called 'the Son of Encouragement'. Let us thank God for the people who encourage us and help us with our well-being.

June 29<sup>th</sup> is the festival of St. Peter and St. Paul. Peter the fisherman and disciple who sometimes got it wrong and then had 'lightbulb' moments and Paul the missionary and writer; Petertide, as it is known, is when people are ordained to ministry. So pray for them, those who minister in any way and for our bishops Paul and Andy.

Keep encouraging one another as we enjoy warmer days and holidays.

Every blessing

Rev. Mary

# <u>Halam Annual Parish Council Meeting –</u> 7.30 pm Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 - held at Halam Village Hall

#### **Present**

Mr Simon Bust, Mr Andrew Paris, Mr Chris Bevans, Catherine Blackburn, Mrs Chris Denyer, Mr Ganesh Subramanian and Mr Charlie Wright

#### **Election of Chair and Vice-Chair**

Mr Simon Bust was elected unanimously Chair for the coming year.

Mr Andrew Paris was elected Vic-Chair (4 for)

The Chair welcomed the parish councillors to their new term of office, especially the new councillors Catherine Blackburn, Mrs Chris Denyer, and Mr Charlie Wright,

#### **Election of Other Officers**

The following positions were agreed unanimously: Christmas Charity representatives – Simon Bust and Andrew Paris Press Officer – Andrew Paris Transport Coordinator – Ganesh Subramanian NALC Representative – Christine Denyer Snow & Flood Warden – Simon Bust Flag Officer – Chris Bevans Crime Reduction Representative – Andrew Paris Internal Auditor – T.B.C. Financial Officer – Mandy Rickett

## Standing Orders & Risk Assessments

All parish councillors to read and pass on any queries or comments to the Clerk/Financial Officer prior to the July meeting, at which it is planned to adopt the documents.

#### Village Hall

Sound baffling/acoustic insulation – has been installed and seems to be effective.

Some touching up of the hall paint work has been completed. Replacing the current hall curtains was discussed – further information to be brought to next meeting.

Front door repair to be carried out shortly.

External electric meter box door has fallen off – Clerk to investigate

A new sweeping brush has been bought.

The store room key has been lost, but the room will be left unlocked and used to store the hall tables. The wall between Annerley House and the village hall still needs rebuilding – more interest/quotes from builders needed. Chris Bevans reported that the current hire charges for the hall are one of the lowest in the area. Examples of other local hall's charges to be brought to the next meeting.

#### **Replacement Noticeboard for the Bus Shelter**

It was agreed that a grey notice board was the most appropriate. Chris Bevans is researching a parish council "logo" – artwork design to be held until a design is agreed.

#### Roads & Hedges

Holme Lane is now in a terrible state and require urgent work. County Cllr Bruce Laughton was asked at the meeting to make this a major priority.

The long grass and hedges at the end of School Lane on to Kirklington Road are obscuring the junction.

Large pothole needs attention on Radley Road outside of Manor Farm.

The ditches at the top of Gray Lane are very overgrown/silted – this was discussed and the view was that clearing these out would actually speed up the flow of flood water down to the main part of the village. However Chair and Clerk will investigate who is responsible for these ditches.

Issues with highways, including potholes, can be raised with the County Council online. The more people contacting the council regarding road problems in the village may have some effect:

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/potholes/repor t-a-pothole and

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/report-a-roador-pavement-problem

## King's Coronation Weekend - 6th May 2023

The weekend of events seemed to go very well and were attended by many Halam. residents. The donations to the food bank at the Monday cream tea were very generous, and very gratefully received by the Ollerton food bank.

Many thanks to all who were involved in anyway in making the weekend such a success.

Many thanks to the local Young Farmers as well, who litter picked in the parish as part of the "Big Help Out."

## **Correspondence**

#### 1. Grow Your Roots -

https://www.greenwoodforest.org.uk/helping-greenwood-to-grow/grow-your-roots.

Grow Your Roots is part of Trees for Climate a tree-planting scheme in Nottinghamshire and just beyond into Derbyshire, Leicestershire and South Yorkshire. We are promoting the scheme to those with smallholdings, allotments and large gardens. Farmers can also apply under the larger grant scheme. As well as grants that cover up to 100% of costs and 15 years of maintenance payments, the Greenwood Community Forest Team will provide expert advice and as much support as you need throughout the planning, funding and planting process. Planters can use the funds to plant a new wooded area with just a handful of trees to dense forests.

**2. Hedgelife Help Out -** As part of the Big Help Out, can you help us build a nationwide picture of the health of our hedgerows?

Hedgerows are the vital stitching in the patchwork of our countryside. Not only are they beautiful, with shifting seasonal colours, but they also provide homes and corridors for wildlife. And all the while they help tackle the climate crisis by capturing carbon.

#### How you can get involved

Hedgelife Help Out is a family-friendly volunteering opportunity and you don't have to travel far to take part! Between now and 31 May, simply find a hedge near you and answer a few questions about it by visiting: https://www.cpre.org.uk/hedgelifehelp-out/

**3. Nottinghamshire Civic Service** – Southwell Minster, 25 June at 3pm. Catherine Blackburn to attend.

**4. Rights of Way Claim** – Rambler Association are planning to add a network of rights of way in Halam & Edingley. They requested information regarding property ownership. As the parish council has no definitive knowledge about this, it was resolved to respond saying that the council can't help.

**5.** Outline application for proposed 2 bedroomed bungalow at The Dials, Gray Lane has been refused at Appeal. The applicant wrote asking if the parish council would support an application for a log cabin type holiday let on the plot. It was agreed that the council can only comment on official applications received through the official, District Council, route.

**6. Dumping of Garden Waste on School Lane** – it appears that a local resident is dumping their garden waste rather than pay for a garden bin. A reminder that even garden waste is classified as fly-tipping. Fly-tipping is illegal and, in extreme cases, can incur a  $\pounds$ 50,000 fine and/or receive a prison sentence.

#### **Open Meeting**

Road Closure at Edingley – County Cllr Bruce Laughton to investigate if one lane (with traffic lights) can be opened up. He stated that the bus service has now resumed, and that businesses

affected by the closure may be able to claim compensation from Severn Trent.

It was also requested that the road drains/gulleys on the Edingley Road coming into Halam are cleared out as they seem to be blocked.

Cllr Laughton reported that the County Council are look to move out of County Hall due to spiralling maintenance and running costs.

District Cllr Penny Rainbow reported that kerbside glass collection will be starting shortly.

#### **Planning**

Ashcroft House, Gray Lane: change of use of stables and alterations to form garaging

After discussion is was agreed to support this application unanimously.

#### **Planning Decisions**

Halam C Of E School, The Turnpike: installation of new black hooped metal fencing and fence panels to schools existing boundary

The parish council voted not to support this application due to the visual impact on the village. The District Council planning committee for has approved and granted this application.

#### **Finance**

The expenditure last year exceeded the specified level so the parish council will now need to have an audit at a cost of  $\pm 210 + VAT$ 

Agreed unanimously to pay

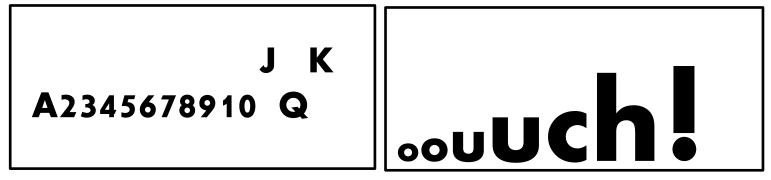
- 1. replacement sweeping brush for the village hall
- 2. expenses for the village Coronation celebrations
- 3. NALC training for new parish councillors
- 4. village hall cleaners
- 5. printer ink
- 6. folders for Standing Orders etc.

New signatory for parish council cheques – as he is already a NatWest customer, it was agreed to appoint Chris Bevans as a replacement signatory

#### Date of next meeting

Thursday June 8th at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall <u>Members of the public are reminded that they are welcome</u> <u>to attend any parish council meeting to find out about the</u> <u>work of the council. There is an opportunity to raise issues</u> <u>with the parish council at the meeting during the open part</u> <u>of the meeting.</u>

**Dingbats** - Last month's answers were "Adding Insult to Injury" & "Big fish in a little pond"





# Two Courses £21 Three Courses £24

#### Starters

Bowl of Soup & Homemade Bread

Feta Filo Parcel, Honey & Chilli Dipping Sauce

Smoked Haddock & Chive Fritter, Garlic Mayonnaise

Porchetta, Capers, Mustard Cress & Tonnata Sauce

Baked Polenta, Creamy Garlic Mushrooms, Shaved Parmesan, Parsley & Lemon Oil

#### Mains

Pressed Pork Shoulder, Polenta Chips, Apple & Cabbage Slaw, Slow Roast Tomato & Salsa Verde

Salmon, Smoked Haddock & Dill Fishcake, Fries, Peas & Chunky Tartar Sauce

Smoked Chicken & Avocado Salad, Gem Lettuce, Croutons, Shaved Parmesan & Caesar Dressing

Stoppard's Hangar Steak, Mushrooms & Onions, Skinny Fries, Peas & Pepper Sauce (Steak £2 Supplement) Chicken, Mushroom & Tarragon Pie, Short Crust Pastry, Chips, Peas & Gravy

Waggons Steak or Crispy Chicken Burger, Onion Slaw, Dill Pickles Barbecue Sauce & Fries (Add Bacon & Cheese £1)

Roasted Cod, Crushed New Potatoes, Braised Peas, Bacon & Baby Gem Lettuce (£2.00 Supplement)

Twice Baked Cheddar Cheese Soufflé, Creamy Spinach Sauce, Fries & Salad

Beer Battered Haddock & Chips, Chunky Tartar Sauce & Minted Mushy Peas

Side Orders

Mixed Seasonal Vegetables £3.00 · Beer Battered Onion Rings £3.00 Hand Cut Chunky Chips £3.50 · House Dressed Salad £3.00 · Fries £3.00



# Desserts

Homemade Belgian Waffle, Maltesers, Vanilla Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce Warm Profiteroles, Toffee Fudge Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce Raspberry Crème Bruleé & Short Bread Biscuit Tonka Bean Pannacotta, Strawberry Sorbet & Fresh Strawberry A Selection of Thaymar's Luxury Ice Creams Wedge of Cheddar or Stilton, Balsamic Onions & Homemade Bread

# **To Accompany**

# Château Loupiac Gaudiet 75ml £5.50

Taylors LBV Port - 50ml £3.95

# **To Finish**

Americano £2.50 Espresso £2.00

Cappuccino £2.60

Double Espresso £3.00 Lic

Liqueur Coffee £5.50

Latte £2.60 Hot Chocolate £2.95

English Breakfast Tea, Earl Grey, Peppermint, Chamomile, Green Tea, All £2.00 Each