

# THE CLAYPOLE GROUP OF VILLAGES

CLAYPOLE, DRY DODDINGTON, FENTON, STUBTON, WESTBOROUGH

# NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2024

Is this why we've been scoffing Quality Street?

Yes - saving the wrappers -

Last year's Trick or Treat kids had such feeble tricks to show, that this year they are being rewarded by gold wrapped Brussels sprouts and other nutritious vegetable treats...



## LOCAL INFORMATION

### CLAYPOLE

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**Claypole C of E School:** 01636 626268 [www.claypoleprimary.org](http://www.claypoleprimary.org)

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**Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator:** vacancy

### FENTON

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# Letter from your Editor



Hello!

The year is suddenly rushing by, and I'm afraid I have already had to use the C... word! We need to be reminded about raising funds for LIVES - a scheme that could be of use to each and every household in our area. I shall certainly be putting in my Christmas greetings to everyone around. See the article for more details.

Apart from my splendid variety of birds, I now have a new creature to look out for - I seem to have a lovely big hare living hereabouts and he goes lolloping across the garden, mostly around dusk, and he's scoffing the fallen apples and pears. I hope he isn't getting too drunk on all the over-ripe ones!

The squirrels have been chomping away at fallen fruit too. But they haven't given up trying to breach the squirrel proof bird feeders which are so far living up to their claims. It is still funny looking at their frustrated faces! I think there are two separate families. There is a gang who are up near the road and the Old Rectory, and another lot at the back of my garden in the huge Scots pine and the hedge at the edge of the drainage beck. (Ahem - my moat ... )

I am pleased that Kathleen has sent a timely recipe for dealing with the innards of the pumpkins that will be carved for all the Hallowe'en events happening around all the villages. Before pumpkins were introduced to this country, we used to carve turnips instead. I bet that was tough going compared with the comparative softness of a pumpkin!

Plenty of fun going on this autumn. See you all around!

Best wishes, *Jane*

**Info for November 2024 EDITION**

**By 16th OCTOBER please**

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# *From the Vicarage*



*Hello and blessings to you all. After being announced in the summer, I'm pleased to say that my family and I have safely arrived and are settling in. I was licensed as priest in charge of the Saxonwell and Claypole groups earlier this month. The licensing service at Claypole was a joyful celebration of the community, and it's a privilege to officially join to serve alongside you.*

*Since moving, we've been deeply touched by the warmth and kindness we've received. The thoughtful gestures, warm smiles, and generous gifts have made us feel right at home. It's a delight to already be able to share a wave and "good morning" with neighbours and dog walkers on the school run as if we've been here for years.*

*Our children are thriving, enjoying their new school and nursery, and making plenty of new friends already. We're grateful for the connections we've made and look forward to building deeper relationships as we journey together in faith.*

*Bethan and I are excited for what lies ahead, both in ministry and family life. We are thankful to be in a place where we feel not only called but embraced. If you happen to see me do come and say hi. If you've not been a churchgoer then let me warmly welcome you to reconsider and to join us as we celebrate together each Sunday that our loving creator has shared this gift of life. Wherever you're at in your life and spiritual journey, you're always welcome.*

*Revd. Jon Speirs-Davies*

*[jon.sd@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:jon.sd@lincoln.anglican.org)*

# What is on this Quarter @ St Peter's Church, Claypole

10.30am Holy Communion Family Service on first and third Sundays.

4<sup>th</sup> October Claypole School Harvest 9.30am

12<sup>th</sup> October Book Fair 10-1pm

20<sup>th</sup> October Harvest 2pm: Celebrate Community! See separate advertisement.

27<sup>th</sup> October Commemoration Service St Swithun's Church,  
Long Bennington 3pm

*Join us to remember loved ones whose names will be read out, and a candle lit in their memory. Please contact Joy Jordan by 20<sup>th</sup> October to provide names. [Joy.g.jordan@icloud.com](mailto:Joy.g.jordan@icloud.com).  
[Tel:01400 281355](tel:01400281355). Mob:0789 9900352.*

10<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Service 10.30 am

8<sup>th</sup> December St Nicholas' Workshop 2pm.

*Children follow in the footsteps of St Nicholas, making simple presents and delivering them to people in the village who may have had a challenging year. Please text 07980019929 if you would like to join us, or know someone you would like to receive a present.*

19<sup>th</sup> December Carols with Newark Town Band 7pm`

24<sup>th</sup> December Christingle 3pm

Midnight Mass: time and church to be confirmed.

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Sunday 6th Oct starting at 6.00.p.m.

Our Village celebration with music and readings

*EVERYONE WELCOME*

If you would like to help decorate the church or donate vegetables, flowers etc we would be delighted.

We shall be getting the church ready on the Saturday morning from 9.30. onwards

Further information and offers of help to Churchwarden Libby



## Book Fair

**Saturday 12th October**

**10.00-1.00**

To donate please contact Gillian

01636 626510

Also we will be pleased to receive any items for the Tombola.



# Events Calendar 2024

## October

- Fri 4 Wine Tasting Claypole Village hall
- Sun 6 Fenton Harvest Celebration
- Tue 8. WI "What are Gothic Novels?" with Jane at Westborough
- Thurs 10 Westborough & Dry Doddington Parish Council Westborough
- Thurs 10 Wine Tasting with Ann et Vin, Dry Doddington hall
- Fri 11 Facing the waves in aid of RNLI Long Bennington Village Hall
- Sat 12 Book Fair Claypole church
- Thur 17 Harvest Songs of Praises Dry Doddington church of St James
- Fri 18 Dry Doddington Harvest Supper
- Sat 19 Good Neighbours at Westborough village hall
- Sat 19 Far from the Madding Crowd at Claypole Village hall
- 20 Harvest Festival Claypole Church - Gospel Choir
- 20-27 Scarecrow Trail Claypole Village
- Sun 27 Dry Doddington House & Pumpkin Trail

## November

- Fri 1 Dry Doddington village party
- Tue 5 Westborough Bonfire & fireworks
- Tue 12 WI making little boxes with Kathleen at Westborough
- Sun 10 Remembrance Sunday 10.30 St Peter's Claypole
- Fri 15 Operation Mincemeat at Claypole Village Hall
- Tue 19 Good Neighbours at Stubton village hall
- Sat 30 Dry Doddington Craft Fair, Cakes and fun
- Sat 30 Dry Doddington Christmas tree festival

## December

- Sun 1st Dry Doddington Christmas tree festival
- Fri 6 Double Bill Family films Claypole Village Hall
- Sat 7 Christmas wreath making at Claypole village Hall
- Tue 10 WI Christmas Party & pot luck supper
- Sat 14 Claypole Christmas Party over 66s
- Thur 19 Good Neighbours Christmas tea at Westborough village hall

**Send your event dates as soon as available**  
**Let's try to avoid clashes!**



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The shop will be closed for an internal refit from 14th October  
and will reopen as soon as refitting is finished, hopefully by the first  
week of November. We apologise for the inconvenience this will cause.

Claypole Village Hall

# **EXCITING NEWS!** WE'RE GETTING A NEW CAR PARK

We've been awarded £24k, to go with our own funds,  
for the resurfacing of our car park

CAR PARK  
CLOSED FROM **27 Oct**

FUNDING AWARDED BY SOUTH KESTEVEN'S  
UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND

## **Claypole Christmas Party**

for 66 years old and over.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2024.**

Doors open at 12.00hrs.

3 course Christmas dinner followed by tea/coffee & mints.

To book a seat please contact Jo on the following:

Email: [jo@officeangelbookkeeping.co.uk](mailto:jo@officeangelbookkeeping.co.uk)

Telephone: 07870603218





St JAMES CHURCH DRY DODDINGTON  
**HARVEST SONGS OF PRAISE**  
THURSDAY 17th OCTOBER 7.00 PM

Everyone is welcome to join in our harvest "Songs of Praise" on Thursday evening 5th October. The format will be our favourite harvest hymns and songs interspersed with appropriate harvest readings.

Whilst I know a few of both, hymns and readings,

**I need your help!** Can you please email me your favourite harvest hymn and if you have one an appropriate reading, which can be from any source, so they can be included on the night.

Many thanks and I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you on the night.

Dick Loynes. Email: [richardloynes@btinternet.com](mailto:richardloynes@btinternet.com)



**Dry Doddington**  
**Harvest Supper**

**Friday October 18th**

**7.00 for 7.30 in the village hall**

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# ***FARMYARD TAILS***

Hello, my name is Tracey and together with my husband John we farm on the North side of Claypole.

I thought I would try my hand at telling you a few things about what happens month by month on our livestock farm.

We relocated to Claypole from the Peak district just over a year ago now.

It took us just over 8 months to bring everything over here with the animals being the last to arrive.

The cattle alone took 22 trailer journeys as they travelled over in singles or with their calves. The younger stock travelled in two's for company.

At the moment we have 63 Pedigree Highlands ranging from 17yrs old down to little 'Dennis' who is 2mths old.

We have 50 sheep of various breeds, a cat called 'Pips' and a bundle of assorted hens.

The older cows (those over 3yrs old) are running with our bull 'Ragnor', they have their calves with them until they are about 8 or 9 months old. This length of time gives the calf a good start in life and prevents the cow getting fat from eating the lush summer grass.

We will need to pregnancy scan the cows soon to see if they are back in calf. The gestation of a calf is like us, 9 months.

Summer on the whole was a challenge with the intermittent rain but we managed to get all the hay in the barn and at the beginning of September we baled the straw which we use for winter bedding when the cows all come inside due to the fields being too wet for them to walk on.

I will pop a few lines in the newsletter every month with a photo or two. I hope you find it of interest?

See you soon,  
Tracey



# CLAYPOLE VILLAGE SCARECROW TRAIL

20 - 27 OCTOBER 2024

THIS YEARS' THEME:

**Childhood TV  
Characters**



IF YOU'D LIKE TO DISPLAY A  
SCARECROW, PLEASE EMAIL  
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1ST OCTOBER



# BEST DRESSED HOUSE & PUMPKIN TRAIL

From Sun 27th October



Best dressed house/pumpkin trail  
£2 per entry



Votes in the village hall letter box or vote  
on Party night for your winning house



Maps collected from Dry Doddington bus  
shelter

 **WINNER** 



£20 Meat Voucher  
Doncaster Butchers

## PARTY

1st Nov

All welcome...

VILLAGE HALL 6:30 - 10:30

Bring your own drinks & nibbles.  
Donations towards the village  
hall on the door

Hotdogs and drink to buy

Fancy dress encouraged!

Competition winner announced







# Kathleen's Kitchen

**Halloween** Is at the end of this month, so if you are going to carve out a pumpkin, why not save the flesh & make these?

## Halloween Pumpkin *Cupcakes*

(All weights & measures are approximate)

200g/7 & half oz grated Pumpkin (butternut squash can be used instead)

200g/7 & half oz Self-raising Flour

1tsp Bicarbonate of Soda (bicarb)

175g/6oz Muscovado Sugar or if preferred, light brown sugar

175ml/5-6 fluid oz Sunflower Oil or which ever oil you prefer

3 Large Eggs

2tsp Mixed Spice

1tsp Vanilla Extract

Grated Zest of 1 orange or lemon if preferred

100g/3-4 oz Sultanas

## Frosting

Tub full fat cream cheese

Icing Sugar

Small Halloween cake topper decorations

## Method

1. Heat the oven to 180c/160c fan & line a 12 hole muffin tin with paper cases.
2. Pour oil into a large bowl & add sugar, eggs & essence. Beat it all together.
3. Add grated pumpkin, zest & sultanas.
4. Stir in flour, bicarb & spice.
5. Spoon mixture into cases & bake for 25 mins until springy to touch & a skewer inserted comes out clean.
6. Cool & when col, they can be frozen at this stage.
7. Beat the cream cheese & icing sugar together & spread on top of cupcakes & decorate.



# CLAYPOLE CINEMA CLUB

# UPCOMING

# FILMS



Cinema Club membership costs just £10 per year for an individual & £25 for a family of 4 and you can attend as many screenings as you like for that price. Guest passes are also available. Join here: [bit.ly/ClaypoleCinema](http://bit.ly/ClaypoleCinema)

## THE COLOR PURPLE

FRIDAY 20TH SEPT

7pm, for 7:30pm start

## DOUBLE BILL: IF & FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD

SATURDAY 19TH OCT

IF: 4pm for 4:30pm start

FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD:

7pm for 7:30pm start

## OPERATION MINCEMEAT

\*\*food available 5:30-7:30pm from  
Gourmazin pop up takeaway\*\*


FRIDAY 15TH NOV

7pm for 7:30pm start

## LAST CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY 6TH DEC

7pm, for 7:30pm start



Claypole Cinema Club is a 'social cinema' - seated around tables with beer, wine, soft drinks and snacks available to buy.



# Good Neighbours

*All are welcome, please come and join us*

Coffee mornings are open to all, so please do come along and see how enjoyable they are.

We will be at the following venues on the following dates:

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October**, this month we will be at Westborough village hall, for tea/coffee and cake. The time as usual will be 10.30 to 12.00. Please come and join us if you can.

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**, this month we are at Stubton village hall, the time will be 10.30 to 12.00 as usual. Please come and join us, all are welcome.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December**, this will be a **Christmas afternoon tea**, time will be **3.00 to 5.00**.

**It will be at Westborough Village Hall.**

**We will need to know in advance if you intend to come for catering purposes. Costs for this will be met from the funds.**

**Please contact us at least two weeks before if you are going to be there.**

If you need to contact me our Email is [lindaandderek1@sky.com](mailto:lindaandderek1@sky.com) or contact me by phone on 07456 475964. You can leave your name and number and I will get back to you.



**If you have any ideas as to what you would like to do at Good Neighbours please let me know**

*Kind regards Linda and Derek Drury*





## CLAYPOLE VILLAGE HALL

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### HALL BOOKINGS

The hall is reasonably busy, and Saturdays/Sundays are typically booked up 6-8 weeks ahead for daytime hires. For evenings, people are booking months/a year in advance, so we'd encourage you to look further ahead when planning an event or party.

If you're interested in hiring the Hall, you can view our calendar and request a booking online via our website: [www.claypolevillagehall.org/onlinebooking](http://www.claypolevillagehall.org/onlinebooking)

We'd be glad to show you round at one of our regular **open viewing sessions** – keep an eye on our blackboards & Facebook/Instagram page for the next one.

As well as the main hall, the Coulby Room (formerly the library) is now available for hire, at £10 per hour or £25 for 3 hours – it's a great space for small get-togethers, like workshops, meetings, a private afternoon tea, etc.

### REGULAR EVENTS

#### Fitness & Wellbeing Classes

Tues 10:30am: Pilates with Karen: <https://inspiredfitnesswithkaren.co.uk>

Tues 7-8pm: Movement and Meditation with Claudia: [www.claudiagramtherapies.com](http://www.claudiagramtherapies.com)

Weds 9:30am: Movement and Meditation with Claudia [www.claudiagramtherapies.com](http://www.claudiagramtherapies.com)

Weds 4pm/5:30pm/7pm: Slimming World with Katie Joynes

Thu 7pm: Boxercise with @sophiesfitnessandbeauty

Fri 9:15-10am: **IT'S BACK!** Family-friendly strength workout with @sophiesfitnessandbeauty - little ones welcome!

#### Crafty Cuppa Club

Stampin' Up card making: £8 for card making, tea/coffee & cake

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Oct, 10:30am-12:30pm**

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Nov, 10:30am-12:30pm**

Book your space on Carrie's website: <https://theinkynook.com/>

**CLAYPOLE CINEMA CLUB** is very much a social cinema; seated around tables with drinks and snack available to buy. You can bring a bean bag if you want to get really comfy!!

We screen a minimum of 1 film per month, with a range of genres. We're happy to take requests if there's a film you missed at the cinema and want to see on a big screen.

The licensing means that we operate as a members' club, so films are advertised within the membership, which costs just £10 per person or £25 for a family ticket (2 adults + 2 children/1 adult + 3 children, £5 for extra child) FOR THE WHOLE YEAR - excellent value compared to a cinema trip!

**New members, from the village and beyond, are very welcome and can join online using the QR code or this online link: [bit.ly/ClaypoleCinema](http://bit.ly/ClaypoleCinema)**





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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <b>Cinema Club Double Bill:</b><br>- <b>IF</b><br>- <b>Far from the Madding Crowd</b> | Sat 19 <sup>th</sup><br>Oct   | <b>4:30pm IF</b> , starring Cailey Fleming, Ryan Reynolds & Fiona Shaw. The story of a young girl who goes through a difficult experience and begins to see the imaginary friends who have been left behind as their real-life children have grown up.<br><b>7:30pm: Far From the Madding Crowd</b> , 2015 film based on the novel by Thomas Hardy, starring Carey Mulligan & Michael Sheen.<br>Doors open 30 minutes before the film start time* |
| <b>Cinema Club: Operation Mincemeat</b>   | Fri 15 <sup>th</sup><br>Nov,<br>7pm   | <b>Operation Mincemeat:</b> based on a true story from WW2 starring Colin Firth, Kelly MacDonal, Matthew MacFadyen, Penelope Wilton. <b>**Gourmazin will be at the Hall for a pop-up takeaway night from 5:30-7:3pm so, if you want to meet friends &amp; get some food before the film doors will open at 6:30pm**</b><br>Doors open 6:30pm, film starts 7:30pm*   |
| <b>Cinema Club Christmas Double Bill</b>  | Fri 6 <sup>th</sup><br>Dec  | <b>Family film to be confirmed, then Last Christmas:</b> a 2019 film co-written by Emma Thompson & Greg Wise with a soundtrack by George Michael/Wham! Starring Emilia Clarke, Henry Golding & Emma Thompson.<br>Doors open 30 minutes before the film start time*  |
| <b>Christmas wreath making workshops</b>  | Sat 7 <sup>th</sup><br>Dec<br>2pm<br><br>Sun 8 <sup>th</sup><br>Dec<br>10am | <b>Spaces limited on Sat PM session</b><br>Our ever-popular wreath making workshops with Jenny from The Flower Barn are now available to book. £45 per person includes all materials, tuition & refreshments.<br><b>Book here: <a href="http://bit.ly/ClaypoleWreath">bit.ly/ClaypoleWreath</a></b>   |

\***Cinema Club Membership: [bit.ly/ClaypoleCinema](http://bit.ly/ClaypoleCinema)**

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# Dry Doddington Christmas Tree Festival & Christmas Craft Fair

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December.**

We are holding our very popular **Christmas Tree Festival** over the weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024 in St James Church from 10am until 4pm both days.

FREE ENTRY both days with donations welcome.

See booking details below of how to enter and stage your own tree, we welcome entries from local businesses, families from the village and from people in surrounding villages.

*The more the merrier!*

**On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Craft Fair at Dry Doddington Village Hall from 10am until 4pm.**

This is free to enter and will showcase local artists and crafters, there will be a raffle and of course lots of tea, coffee, cakes and mince pies!

For details of how to book a tree or offer help at the Christmas Tree Festival contact Shirley Kerr

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For more information or to book a stall at the Christmas Craft Fair please contact Shirley Kerr as above.



# 1<sup>st</sup> Claypole Brownies

Do you know anyone who would like to join us?



We meet on Monday evenings from 6pm to 7.15pm. The weekly cost is £3.00. Why not join us for a taster session?

Please register on [www.girlguiding.org.uk/what-we-do/brownies/](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/what-we-do/brownies/)

**Places are available for girls aged 7 to 9.**

Parents are encouraged to register younger girls who are interested as soon as they can to ensure the unit remains viable.

Please contact Sarah if you would like more information on 0776 5791882.

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Once again we are asking kindly whether you would donate the money you would normally spend on buying cards for friends, neighbours and relatives who live locally.

**Save time - and give the money  
you would have spent on  
Christmas cards to LIVES**



**If you pass - by phone, email or post - your name, address, short seasonal message and donation to us or the Editor before November 16th, we will publish your Christmas wishes and the fact that you have made a donation to L.I.V.E.S. (without disclosing the sum received) in the December Newsletter.**

**Think of the time saved by not writing and delivering those cards!**

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Medical Centre

### **Blood Pressure Appointments**

Blood Pressure appointments available at our Blood Pressure Clinic being held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Watch out for your link to book in.

### **Flu Invites**

Our Saturday Flu Clinic on the 5<sup>th</sup> Oct is now full for the over 65yrs age group. We will be putting on extra mid-week clinics – keep an eye out for a message to be added to our waiting list for this.

### **RSV Vaccine**

Watch out for your invite to book your vaccination.

### **Covid Winter Vaccination**

We are planning to administer Covid vaccinations here at the Medical Centre. We will notify patients who are eligible via a message. Please watch out for your message and for your link to book in.

### **Childhood Immunisations**

Please ensure that your children are up to date with their vaccinations. Should you decide to decline vaccinations, please advise us so that we can update our records accordingly.

### **Get your Poppy**

As we are an Armed Forces Veteran friendly accredited GP practice, we will be remembering all on the 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Get your Poppy from Long Bennington Medical Centre from the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024.

### **Well-Being Walks**

If you have not joined us before and are free every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, then feel free to join us on one of our well-being walks. The next walk is scheduled for Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 11:15am from the Medical Centre. Please ensure you wear the appropriate footwear.

### **Well-Being Walk Leader Vacancy**

We have a vacancy for a volunteer walk leader – Do you love walking? Are you active and sociable? Join our enthusiastic and friendly team. If you are interested, please contact the Medical Centre and ask to speak to Chantelle.



# The Green Page

A compost bin is a cost-effective and economical way to help materials decompose into compost, becoming fertiliser for your plants. A must have for any gardener!

It also helps lower your carbon footprint!

Did you know that across an average day in Britain, 158 million tea bags are used and then discarded? It is not news that we, as a nation, love to drink tea - but what if I told you that very same love could help the environment?

Tea bags are one example of the many materials that can be placed inside your compost bin, helping to reduce emissions from greenhouse gases and improve soil health. As any gardener would know, improved soil health equals more resilient growth in plants. Therefore, as well as helping the environment, you are also improving your own gardens!

Compost bins also help reduce waste around the home. How often have you peeled vegetables for dinner and had to throw away said peelings? Or brewed a coffee and ended up being left with the grounds, unsure of how to dispose of them?

You can dispose of both of these in your compost bin!

However, there are some materials that cannot be put in your compost bin and need to be avoided. Such as, meat, fat or dairy. Another example would be synthetic materials, like rubber or plastic. Chemicals from the plastic can end up leaking into the compost and damaging the soil, which has no benefits for your plants or us if being used on plants carrying fruits and vegetables.

Remember to check before you dispose!

***Elizabeth***



# Westborough and Dry Doddington Parish Council News

**New Clerk** – Do you know anyone who would be interested in this paid role, please spread the word? After 28 years I am retiring from the job and the Parish Council is advertising the role.

The post is part time, 10 hours per month with 5 meetings a year held in the evenings. Working mainly from home, the hours of work are flexible except for attendance at meetings.

Salary will be based on the National Association of Local Councils 2023-24 pay scale (LC2 points 18-23).

Duties include compiling meeting agendas, minute taking, correspondence, implementing Council decisions, managing bank accounts, payments and invoices. The starting date is negotiable.

Just see the Westborough and Dry Doddington Parish Council website, under Council Business, for the job and person specification.

[www.westborough-dry-doddington.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk](http://www.westborough-dry-doddington.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk)

**Parish Councillor** – congratulations to Dawn Broomham who has been co-opted onto the council.

**Your Councillors** - Your Parish Councillors are Vickie Birnage (07860 737373), Becs Lett (07971 696781), Tom Arnold ([01400 281841](tel:01400281841)), Dawn Broomham (01400 282955), Anthony Durham (01400 282614), Jane Ford (01400 281206), John Forman (01400 281616). Please contact them if you have anything to raise.

**Date of next meeting** - The next meeting will be held on

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October at Westborough Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

All welcome.

The agenda will on the Parish Council website, about a week in advance.

Wendy McCallin, Clerk, tel: 01400 282001; email:

[clerk.west.drydodd.pc@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.west.drydodd.pc@gmail.com)

## ***Paul Skelton Rectory Lane Claypole***

*I wish to thank Kate and her staff at The Sidehouse Cafe and Rachel and all at Doncaster's [both in Claypole] for providing a superb 80th Birthday Buffet for me and my friends on Bank Holiday Monday 26th August. All this done on a day when they wouldn't normally be open!*

*The excellent fare was much appreciated and eaten by all my guests. How lucky we are to have such local businesses.*



# News from Claypole & District Women's Institute

*Welcome to the fun and the madhouse!*

**In September** we heard about **Up-cycling Clothing** with Lorraine Appleton from Gonerby. We heard appalling statistics about the waste, abuse and other scandalous world problems to do with the creation of fashion. Lorraine then showed us quite a few garments she had upcycled and where the various elements came from.

**On October 8th at Westborough**, our President Jane will be telling us about Gothic Novels. There's quite a difference between the novels and the film versions of a few of them. There will be plenty of laughs along the way!

**On November 12th at Westborough**, Kathleen will be in charge of our Christmas crafts evening, where she will be showing us how to make little boxes, suitable for gifts etc. It helps to bring your own scissors, a ruler, pencil and any fairly firm fancy paper you want to use, although supplies will be given out. You don't need to buy anything.

**On Tuesday 10th December at Westborough**, we will have our Christmas party in the traditional manner with a bring and share supper, gifts for the Refuge etc. Details next month.

**We have agreed to support the Women's Refuge all year round**, not just at Christmas. Having met one of the staff in person, at a craft get-together recently, we are now clearer about what is required all year round.

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**Painting, Art & Craft mornings** between the hours of 9.00-12.00 with Jane at Westborough Village Hall on the first Friday of every month:

*4th October, 1st November, 6th December etc*

Contact Jane for further info - Bring your own project or start something new. Beginners welcome. All kinds of art and craft possible. Lots of help available.

### ***Are you thinking of joining? or coming back?***

The first visit, same as visitor's fee, is £4.00 and we hope you will join us for lots of informal fun.

**Contact** President Jane Ford on 01400 281206

Secretary Kathleen Thomas 01636 626860



### **Collecting used stamps**

I know we get comparatively few nowadays but Bransby Horses Rescue & Welfare can make thousands of pounds from them!



Please pass stamps to Mavis Arnold or Jane Ford or any WI member

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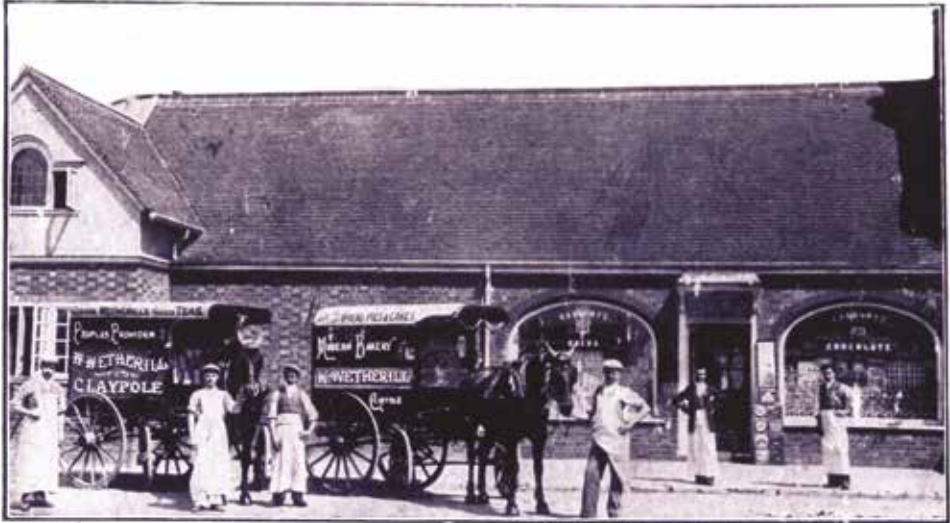
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# Wetherill's Bakery / Evan's Store

I've written over 60 articles for the Parish Mag since 2018!! The very first one was about Les and Dorothy Wetherill who lived in Seaton Cottages and included images of Les's Garage and his father / grand fathers Bakery on Main Street. We thought it was time for a revisit. The Bakery is now a family home.

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Les's parents and grandparents owned the village store and the image of 1911 shows the frontage and the carts used for delivering groceries to the surrounding villages. The shop had eleven employees, so was a substantial employer and enterprise.

Villagers making their own pork pies and Christmas cakes were able to take them to the bakery to cook them using the remaining heat from the ovens. The current village store at that time was a butchers, so the pie contents didn't have far to go.

The store was sold to Mr Flemming. His daughter Sue was active in the Claypole Young Farmers which had a fantastic social calendar. Sue later emigrated to Canada and three years later her parents sold the store and joined her there. The premises were bought by Mr Austen Evans, whose family still live in Claypole, in 1961.





The ovens were taken out and the premises became a supermarket until 1980. The shop was converted to homes in the early 2010s and the land at the rear was developed and named Evans Close.

Les is still alive and now lives in Navenby near his daughter.

There was also a Wetherill's shop/bakery in Fulbeck with a similar history.



Mr W Wetherill at the opening of the Village Hall 1923. He was a contemporary of Mr Harry Coulby. Mr Coulby was the sponsor of the Hall and a generous benefactor



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If you are over 18 years old, a UK citizen, an elector of the parish or in the last 12 months have occupied (as owner or tenant) land or other premises or work in the parish or do you live within 3 miles of the parish boundary then you can apply to become a Parish Councillor.

If you would like to find out more please contact Anne Pallett (Clerk to the Parish Council) on 07976566857 or email [clerk@claypole-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@claypole-pc.gov.uk)

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| October         | 6        | 13                         | 20                           | 27                           |
|-----------------|----------|----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Long Bennington | 10.30 MW | 10.30 HC                   | 10.30 MW                     | 10.30 HC                     |
| Claypole        | 10.30 HC |                            | 14.00<br>Harvest<br>Festival |                              |
| Allington       | 09.00 HC |                            | 10.00 MW                     |                              |
| Stubton         |          | 6pm<br>Harvest<br>Festival |                              |                              |
| Sedgebrook      |          | 10.30 MP                   |                              | 10.30 LC                     |
| Foston          |          | 15.00 ES                   |                              |                              |
| Westborough     |          |                            |                              | 10.30<br>Harvest<br>Festival |
| Fenton          |          |                            |                              |                              |
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