

# NEWSLETTER

## Summer 2021

Welcome to the Summer edition of the newsletter which provides some news from the village, useful contacts and information.

(with thanks to Jo Woods for her lockdown photograph)



### PARISH COUNCIL

The councillors serving on the Parish Council are:-

Chairman: Cllr. Jeremy Hutchinson 22 Vicarage Lane	01522 788489
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Cllr. Andy Sceeny 2 Trinity Close	01522 788303
Cllr. Emma Surphlis 3 Grange Court	01522 789574
Cllr. Fred Jacques 11 Moorland Close	01522 788962
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Cllr. Ian Macleod 1 High Street	01522 789594
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### Parking matters

Walking round the village regularly it is clear just how many of our residents and/or visitors routinely park on the footpath, leaving pedestrians to get past by walking on the road. Vulnerable pedestrians such as children, those using a wheelchair or a pram or those with visual impairments, find cars parked on pavements intimidating, especially if they are forced to walk in the carriageway. Some find it so difficult or upsetting that they no longer venture out of their homes. Pavements are not constructed to carry the weight of vehicles, and many pavements are becoming seriously damaged, which can cause falls for elderly people.

Driving on or obstructing a pavement contravenes the Road Traffic Act and the Highway Code and this is enforceable by law.

**So, please do not park or drive on our village pavements – if you do you are putting the lives of others at risk and you may be prosecuted.**

### In memory of John Clarke

The Parish Council regrets to announce the death of councillor John Clarke, who died in January. John was a long-serving, well-liked member of the parish council who played a major role in the development of the new village hall. John was heavily involved in village life, including being Santa, undertaking lots of repairs and maintenance, renovation of the lychgate, and supporting fundraising events. He will be missed by us all. Anyone who knew John, and in normal times would have liked to attend his funeral, is welcome at the village hall on 14th August, 2-4 p.m., when his family will be holding an event in his memory: a memorial plaque will be unveiled in his memory.

### Parish Council Meetings during 2021

**The Council have continued to meet monthly throughout the lockdown to ensure that the essential business matters have been dealt with during the pandemic. The meetings take place on the second Wednesday of each month (except August) at 7.30pm and will now return to meeting in the Village Hall. See the noticeboards or website for meeting details**

## VILLAGE HALL

With the pandemic restrictions being relaxed, we are beginning to see many of our hirers return to the hall and a number of new bookings too. During the lockdown there were many months of closure, then we opened for exempt groups under Covid-19 guidelines and gradually new hirers have brought their classes to the hall. From September we will have at least two bookings every weekday in the hall which is fantastic and with it, we have a wide range of groups for all ages and abilities.



We are currently finalising the use of remaining Lottery funding—an outdoor brick store at the rear, increased patio area for the seating and tables already purchased and for the inside, blackout blinds and indoor bowling equipment are planned.

To book the hall please call 01522788489 or go to the website [www.carltonle Moorland.org.uk](http://www.carltonle Moorland.org.uk) for all the hire forms and further information.

# THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK

The Great Big Green Week will take place between the 18<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021, and will be the largest event for climate and nature ever seen in the UK. Thousands of events will celebrate how communities are taking action to tackle climate change and protect green spaces, and encourage others to get involved too. We would like our community to become involved. One idea is to hold a 'litter pick' in the village and surrounding areas during that week but if you have other ideas then please let us know. You can find more information about the event on [www.greatbiggreenweek.com](http://www.greatbiggreenweek.com) or on Facebook or Twitter.

## Sands Lane and Village Pond

Since early December 2020 a small group of volunteers has been working towards effective management of the village pond and surrounding area. This work is linked to the Parish Council's "green initiative" to promote a healthier environment for all including wildlife in its many forms. The group has adhered closely to a wildlife management plan suggested by Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust.

**In summary, the work has entailed:** Clearing bramble and willow to "open up" the pond; creating numerous log piles for wildlife; planting foxgloves and various wild flowers (including flowering flag iris in the pond itself); installing nest boxes on site and in the adjacent allotments; refurbishing the picnic table and a wooden bench; relocating the lifebuoys and installing new safety signage; "splitting" existing snowdrops and replanting on both sides of Back Lane; creating a small cobble beach area at one point on the perimeter of the pond for amphibians.

**Future tasks include:** Further removal of willow which is obscuring the surface of the pond; creation of a shelved area at some point of the pond edge; Introducing rushes/reeds in the south east corner of the pond; creating an information board to indicate the variety of wildlife seen in the immediate area.



The Parish Council wishes to express its gratitude to all the volunteers involved in the project AND for their continuing good work on various tasks around the village.