



THE WARBLER

A newsletter for the Parish of Wardington, Williamsot and Coton

DEADLINE for next issue
(February) of the Warbler:
28th January 2020, 5pm

Contact your editorial team with any news, articles or items for
the next issue, everything welcome:-

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FETE SUCCESS!

The Fete this year raised just under £2,000, a record for the last five years. We have made a donation to Dogs For Good as our nominated charity, and the money raised will be split between the Cricket Club and the Church Fabric Fund.

Thanks to everyone who attended and who helped to make this ever-popular event such a success this year. Special thanks go to Bridget and Forbes Elworthy for hosting the day, all the clubs and societies running games and all the volunteers who help organise and set up the event. Thanks also to Evelyn Phillips for opening the fete once again this year.



Greetings!

As a proud resident of the Parish of Wardington, Williamscot and Coton, it makes me so happy to see what a busy and thriving place it is. It is lovely to see so many events taking place: there really is something for everybody coming up in the next few months!

It makes me so happy to see how community minded we are, with the excellent fundraising done at the fete this year, and other fundraising events, as a prime example. I have also added a new Thank You section to give special mention to a few people who have done a bit extra for our village and its residents. (I don't always hear about people who are doing wonderful things, so if you or someone you know are doing something and fancy a name appearing in print then let me know!)

As always, please do send me any submissions you may have, particularly photos as they really brighten up the issues.

Lexi

Recipe

This issue's recipe is kindly supplied by Lesley Terry.

Winter Spiced Parsnip Soup

1 tbsp oil of choice

3 large parsnips, roughly chopped

1 large onion, finely chopped

1 tsp curry powder

1/4 tsp cumin

1/4 tsp chilli

2 vegetable stock cubes

150 ml single cream

1. Fry the onion and parsnips in the oil until soft.
2. Add the curry powder, cumin and chilli and fry for one minute.
3. Add 1L of boiling water with the stock cubes and bring to the boil. Cover and simmer for 20 minutes.
4. Add the cream and the blend until smooth. Enjoy!

If you have a favourite recipe that you would like to share, we'd love to hear from you! Please send it to the warbler email address on the front page, or drop it in to Cobweb Cottage.

CAROL SINGING IN WARDINGTON

The Friends of St. Mary Magdalene, Wardington,
are pleased to announce that we will once again be
staging our festive sing-song:

In Upper Wardington on the Old Pool Green on

Thursday 19th December 2019

6.00pm – 6.45pm

Carols around the brazier

Mulled wine, mince pies and hot sausage rolls.

We will be accompanied by the Wardington Hand-Bell Ringers

Song sheets of well-known carols will be available.

Please bring along a torch and join us in celebrating the festive season.

We will be collecting money for the Friends of St Mary Magdalene
to help look after our beautiful church.

Please give generously.

For further information contact
Steve Mackenzie-Lawrie on 07950 411373

NEWS FROM ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH

HARVEST FESTIVAL

On the evening before the Harvest Festival service the traditional Harvest Supper was attended by a much increased number. This year it had been decided to turn the occasion into a truly family evening at an earlier time of six o'clock – as a result there were over twenty under eight year olds who had their own area for colouring and similar activities. Paul Turnock provided a wide range of musical entertainment which led on to dancing led naturally by Evelyn Phillips!

During the evening a presentation was made by the Churchwardens to Malcolm Patterson in recognition of over thirty years' service to the Church as a PCC member, as PCC Treasurer and as the chief clock winder.

A very happy evening was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you to all the cooks who provided the cottage pies, apple pies and, especially Jan Funnell, the cheeses.

LOOKING AHEAD TO CHRISTMAS.....



CHURCH SERVICES & CAROL SINGING

Sunday, 15th December – Carol Service – 6.00pm
Thursday, 19th December – Carol Singing – 6.00pm – Upper Pool
Christmas Eve – Crib Service – 4.00pm
Christmas Eve – Midnight Mass – 11.00pm

MOONRAKERS CONCERT – SATURDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER – IN THE CHURCH SEE SEPARATE ADVERTISEMENT

Moonrakers is an Oxford-based group of four musicians who pride themselves in having brought traditional and contemporary folk music to new audiences in village halls, churches, arts centres and festivals across the south of England. The fact that the band "just OZES quality" (Living Tradition) is down to the careful arrangements and selection of tunes and songs, presenting "exquisite music" (BBC). One half of their material is from the Irish, Scottish, Welsh and English traditions, reflecting a love of traditional tunes and songs; the other half is their own contemporary songs and tunes, still very much 'in the idiom'.



CHRISTMAS DRAW

Tickets will soon be on sale for the annual Grand Christmas Draw with its usual host of prizes. The star prize once again will be a 'Cottage in the Yorkshire Dales for long week-end' kindly donated by Roderick & Nikki Stell. Further prizes include a family ticket to see *The Snowman at Coventry Cathedral* and a family ticket to visit the *Silverstone Experience*, a new visitor attraction at Silverstone.

The actual draw will be taking place on Tuesday, 26th November at the Christmas Charity Evening at Barn Farm Plants. The Church will also have its usual Tombola and Cake & Preserves stalls there. Contributions for the Tombola will be gratefully received by Roderick Stell (758301). The Cake stall will be co-ordinated by Nigel Bankes (750500).

CHRISTINGLE CRAFT WORKSHOP

On the morning of Saturday, 30th November, Sue Upton will be running a children's Christingle Craft Workshop in the Memorial Hall from 10.00am to 12noon. Booking essential via Sue at redhouse2006@btinternet.com. Admission free but children must be accompanied by an adult.

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING

We are very grateful to those in the village who routinely sponsor a week or weeks at a time. For the record the sponsors for the next three months include: Clive & Philippa Hunt, Jean Heritage, Elsie Smith, Roderick & Nikki Stell, Malcolm Patterson, Mark Abbiss and Andrew Steven.

Please consider joining the scheme. Full details and an application form can be found at <http://www.wardington.net/st-mary-magdalene/> or on the table adjacent to the south door of the Church.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE



Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER

10.50 am

**ST MARY MAGDALENE
CHURCH**

Led by: Mrs Sue Upton

ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH: **Services: November 2019 - January 2020**

Please check Church notice board or <https://wardington.net/st-mary-magdalene/church-services/> for further information and confirmation of these times.

SUNDAY & CHRISTMAS SERVICES

November	3 rd	10.00am	Family Service
November	10 th	10.50am	Remembrance Service
November	17 th	10.00am	Family Communion
November	24 th	10.00am	United Benefice Communion - Claydon
December	1 st	10.00am	Christingle Service
December	8 th	10.00am	United Benefice Communion – Great Bourton
December	15 th	6.00pm	Carol Service
December	22 nd	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Christmas Eve	24 th	4.00pm	Crib Service
Christmas Eve	24 th	11.00pm	Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	25 th	10.00am	Holy Communion – Claydon
Christmas Day	25 th	10.00am	Holy Communion – Great Bourton
December	29 th	No service at Wardington	
December	29 th	9.30am	Holy Communion – Cropredy
January	5 th	10.00am	Family Service
January	12 th	10.00am	United Benefice Communion - Mollington
January	19 th	10.00am	Family Communion
January	26 th	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)

OTHER SERVICES

Every Tuesday	12.00noon	Holy Communion (Iona Liturgy) – Cropredy	
No service: 24 th Dec or through January			
November	3 rd	4.00pm	All Souls' Service – Cropredy
November	6 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer – Great Bourton
November	13 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer – Mollington
November	20 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer – Wardington
November	27 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer – Claydon
December	4 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer – Cropredy
December	11 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer – Great Bourton
December	18 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer – Mollington
January	No Morning Prayer services through January		



Celtic traditional and contemporary songs and tunes. Music from the UK & Ireland. "...mesmerising harp...wonderful gentle harmonies...an uplifting journey." (BBC).

St Mary Magdalene Church, Wardington OX17 1RS



**Saturday
23rd Nov
7.30pm**

**£12.00 on the door
or pre-book tickets via
The Churchwardens:**

**Nigel Banks 01295 750500
Clive Hunt 01295 758087**

or

wardington.church@btinternet.com

|Wardington Garden Club

**Autumn Colour & Interest in the Garden
an illustrated talk by Duncan Coombs**

Recently retired from Pershore College, Duncan is a well-known and popular speaker



**Friday November 29th
7.30pm**

Wardington Memorial Hall

All welcome. Wine & soft drinks provided

Small charge for non-members

WARDINGTON PLAYGROUND



NEEDS YOU!

The
Playground 200 Club
Draw
needs you!

Pay £1 a month and you could win:

1st Prize £20
2nd Prize £10

The winners are drawn monthly.

To join, please get in touch!

Contact
wardingtonparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk
if you have any further questions

All proceeds go towards playground
maintenance and inspections.

**Are you a parent or
grandparent with children or
grandchildren that enjoy
visiting the playground?**

**Do you think that the
playground is an important
village asset that need to be
maintained and developed?**

Then perhaps you would be interested in helping us keep this excellent village facility in tip-top working order? Perhaps you might be interested in forming part of a working group to do some fund raising; give feedback about damages and repair work that might be required; provide input about what equipment might need replacing and perhaps what to replace it with?

Please get in touch with our Parish Clerk (Lexi) or any of the village councillors for more information.

CROPREDY PAINTING GROUP
WINTER EXHIBITION

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24

11.00 am – 4.00 pm

CROPREDY VILLAGE HALL

Framed and unframed original paintings for
sale

FREE ENTRY*REFRESHMENTS

CRAFT STALLS

Raffle for Christmas hamper

Cropredy Tots

... will be meeting on these Mondays:

November 4th and 18th, December 2nd and 16th, in the Chapel School Room, 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

Come and join in the fun for the under 5s and those who love and care for them. There are lots of things to take part in: making craft items, singing, painting and lots more while learning to play and share with others.

For more information please ring Helen on 01295 758759.

Have you been on the Wardington website?

www.wardington.net

The village website contains lots of information about the village, including church services, up and coming events, and the new welcome pack.

You can also sign up to receive emails when new information is posted.

WARDINGTON MEMORIAL HALL

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or Paul Bimson (01295 758855) or Hugo Terry (07789 553540)



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Are you a handy-Andy? A fix-it Fred? Or a mend it Mandy? Then Wardington is looking for your help! If you fancy putting any DIY skills you have to good use in the village on the odd occasion then please get in touch with the Parish Clerk (Lexi) on 758117 or wardingtonparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk

Top-tips for Eco-savvy living

by Sophie Patey (of Pigeon saving fame)

If you have been watching Hugh Fernley-Whittingstall's 'War on Waste' like we have, then you may want to think of some ways to reduce the amount of single use plastic in your home. Some changes we have made are:

- Switching to 'Milk and More' for glass bottle milk home delivery that can be returned for reuse.
- Using metal or glass drinks bottles for the family (refillable at most petrol stations, cafes and service stations).
- Reusable beeswax sandwich wraps instead of cling film or sandwich bags.
- Glass Tupperware - safer to store hot food in and can be used in the freezer and oven.
- Non plastic sustainably sourced baby wipes by brands such as Jackson Reece or Naty.
- Using a flannel instead of face wipes or cleansing wipes, which are made from polyester.
- Refillable hand wash and detergents by brands such as Ecover, Method and Bio D.
- Buying loose fruit and vegetables without the plastic wrapping.

There are many more things you can do but these are just a few ideas to get you started and can be switched to when items have run out or broken.



The Hare and Hounds

Village Pub

01295750645



We have had a great first Summer at The Hare: we really appreciate the support we have had so far from the local community - it was lovely to see so many people enjoying our fantastic family garden. We have some great plans for improving it next year, which we will share with everyone in the Spring!

Now that the weather is getting colder, you can enjoy a delicious mulled wine or cider or even a indulgent hot chocolate with all the trimmings whilst you warm yourself by the fire.

As it's a busy time of year, we have just launched our new **Takeaway menu**, together with our quick lunch menu, if you don't have time for a long lunch. To save even more time you can telephone your order on **01295 750645**.

We have some exciting events and promotions to see you through the winter months coming, including Afternoon Tea and discount points for next year. You can keep up to date with what's on via our Facebook or Instagram page, or on the village website. Watch out for our offers that will be dropping through your letterbox any day now, if you can't wait, here are a just a few of our forthcoming plans.

We have arranged a special visitor for younger customers that lunch with us every Saturday in December. After lunch they will receive a gift, and can hand deliver their letters to Santa. They can be sure to receive a personal reply from the man himself a few days later.

If you are planning a work night out, or a family get together, check out our Christmas menu, and if you don't fancy cooking or washing up on Christmas Day, why not join us for a Traditional family Christmas Dinner? We will be open for drinks from 10 am.

We would love to welcome the New Year in with you at the Hare. The DJ is booked, your complimentary glass of bubbly is on ice. The 1920's themed fancy dress is optional, but a memorable evening for everyone is assured.

Your name is on the guest list, so don't forget to pick up your FREE VIP entrance ticket at the bar!

All in all you can be sure of some festive cheer at The Hare, we look forward to seeing you at your local soon!



Saturday 16th Nov
7pm
Wardington Memorial Hall

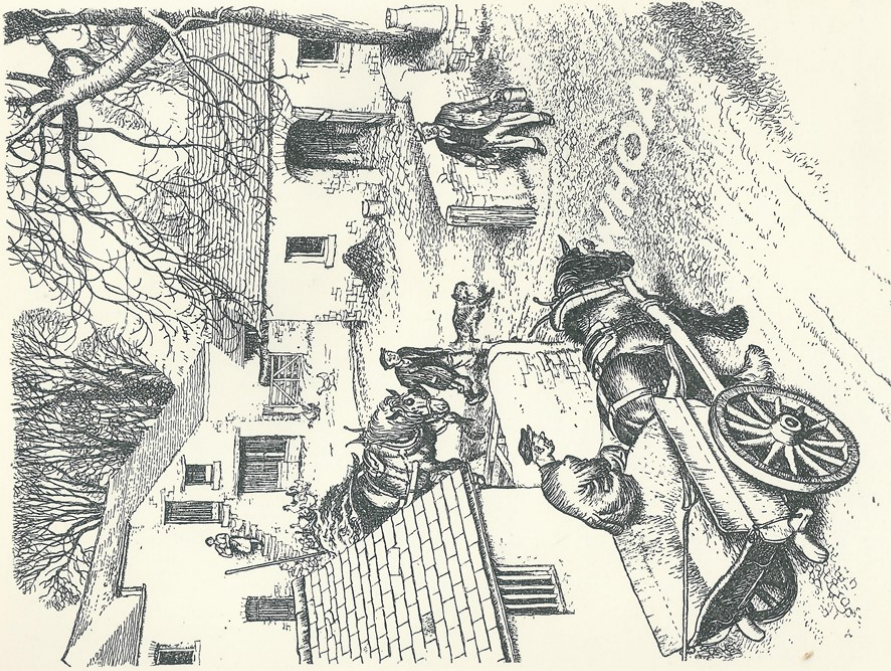
Teams and individuals welcome

Come along for a fun-filled evening -
Test your knowledge and flex those brain cells
And maybe win a prize!

**Chicken or vegetable curry included
Beer & wine to buy at the bar**

Tickets £10 in advance only from
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Proceeds to the Friends of St. Mary Magdalene



This cartoon was sent in by reader:
*"I dropped in on the session on A 361
proposed improvements ahead of HS 2 held
in the church today,
The attached cartoon from my
Grandfather's "New Punch Library" vol.
XII ca. 1930 came to mind.
Perhaps it might amuse some of your
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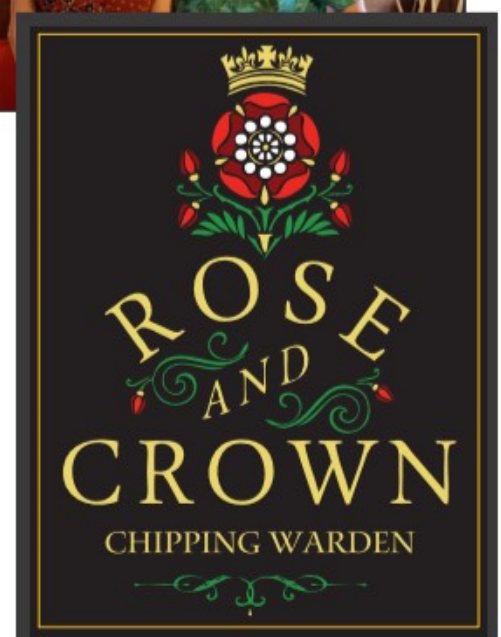
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Road construction works A361 through Wardington

October 2019 | www.hs2.org.uk

High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain.

You will shortly see works starting late October on the A361 through Wardington and we will be keeping you updated and informed as these works progress.

What we will be doing in your area?

We will be widening the existing road at three bends on the A361 within Wardington, installing a puffin crossing and carrying out other associated road improvement works.

These works will include the below:

- Grass and shrub trimming
- Road widening
- Installation of road crossing
- New road markings
- New village gateways (village sign, road markings and gate entrance feature) at the north and south of the village
- Installation of speed alert signs

If you have a question about HS2 or our works, please contact our helpdesk on 08081 434 434 or email HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

Road construction works A361 through Wardington

www.hs2.org.uk

Road widening construction works

The road widening works will be along the A361 at three locations within Wardington village. Works will be undertaken within normal working hours Monday to Friday (8am to 6pm). We may need to work on a Saturday (8am to 1pm) but this would only be in exceptional circumstances.

For the safety of road users and personnel involved with the works, we will need to install temporary traffic signals on the A361 to manage the traffic. We will have a lane closure with 2-way or 3-way traffic lights, manually operated so as to manage traffic backing up on the A361.

We will need to close the A361 intermittently for few days at a time between February and April to allow for resurfacing works. We will give you advance warning of these closures. Road closures will be from 9am to 6pm and a well signed diversion route will be in place during the closures.

Where possible the lane closures and traffic signals will operate from 9am, but we have Highway Authority approval to operate them 24 hours a day. The roads will be open as normal outside these times.

Other works

There will be other works such as utility works, installation of crossing, village gateways and speed alert signs, road markings and grass and shrub trimming. These works will also be carried out under the same traffic management described above.

Notification



Notification



Duration of work

These works will start in October 2019 and will be completed by Spring 2020

Normal working hours: Mon to Fri 8am-6pm

What to expect

Increase in traffic and journey time

Construction plants movement

Occasional road closures between February and April 2020

Construction works

What we will do

Manage any impacts, such as traffic and noise with the aim of reducing them

Take care to respect your community and the environment.

Road construction Works A361 through Wardington

www.hs2.org.uk

Location of work in Wardington



Notification



Keeping you informed

We are committed to keeping you informed about work on HS2. This includes ensuring you know what to expect and when to expect it, as well as how we can help.

Residents' Charter and Commissioner

The Residents' Charter is our promise to communicate as clearly as we possibly can with people who live along or near the HS2 route. www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-residents-charter

We also have an independent Residents' Commissioner whose job is to make sure we keep to the promises we make in the Charter and to keep it under constant review. Find reports at: www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner
You can contact the Commissioner at: residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk

Construction Commissioner

The Construction Commissioner's role is to mediate and monitor the way in which HS2 Ltd manages and responds to construction complaints. You can contact the Construction Commissioner by emailing: complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk

Property and compensation

You can find out all about HS2 and properties along the line of route by visiting: www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property
Find out if you're eligible for compensation at: www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2

Holding us to account

If you are unhappy for any reason you can make a complaint via the helpline. For more details on our complaints process, please visit our website: www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain

Contact Us

If you have any questions about this notification of works, please get in touch.

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Minicom 08081 456 472

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THEN...

AND NOW.



Did you know...?

On the last Thursday of every month at **2pm** there is a village tea held at **The Memorial Hall**. So if you would like a cup of tea, a slice of cake and to meet some new people, please come along as you would be very welcome!



Did you know that Waddington has a new Facebook Group?

[Waddington Village community page](#)

This is for anyone to post information or ask questions on by it will also be used by Waddington Parish Council to disseminate information



We live in a beautiful part of the world and we are very lucky to live in such a pretty village. However, there are always things that can be done to make it look tidier and cleaner both for us and our visitors - signs are a big part of this. The signs on the way into the village are cleaned by OCC-Highways due to the dangerous nature of their position but the others dotted around the village are our responsibility.

Could you adopt a sign near you?

- ◆ Keep an eye on it (make sure it doesn't run away)
- ◆ If it gets damaged, report it on fixmystreet (instructions can be found to the back of this issue)
- ◆ Give it a good wash if the mould takes hold



A BIG THANK YOU TO:

Sarah and Stuart For clearing the path along the main road in Wardington
 Malcolm Patterson for cleaning the bus stop glass
 Jane Humber for cleaning the Williamscot Signs

Fancy seeing your name in print here?

Let us what you are doing to help the village and community or perhaps get involved in one of the many projects and groups in the parish (see our sign cleaning push above, or the advert for help with the playground also in this issue).

PRIORITY SERVICES REGISTERS

Our village supplied water by Thames Water and the electricity grid is maintained by Western Power Distribution. Both companies offer a priority services register which allows them to tailor their services to you and your needs, as well as keeping you better informed in outage situations. There are eligibility criteria for this, and once on the list any information provided will NOT be used for any marketing.



Are you eligible?

- are eligible for a pension
- have restricted mobility or a physical disability
- have a chronic or serious illness
- need a consistent supply of water for a medical condition or equipment (such as dialysis or skin conditions)
- in need of foreign language or further communication support (such as dyslexia)
- have problems making decisions that affect your daily life (such as dementia)
- are registered blind or partially sighted
- are deaf or hard of hearing
- are living with a mental health condition
- are experiencing temporary life changes
- are a family with young children under 5

How to join:

- Sign up online using this link: <https://www.thames-psr.org/enter-your-details>
- Email ecs@thameswater.co.uk
- Call on **0800 009 3652** (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)



Are you eligible?

- Medically dependent on electricity
- Elderly
- Disabled
- Communication needs—including visual or hearing impairments or unable to speak English fluently
- Those who may be vulnerable temporarily in a power cut situation, e.g. hospital leavers, or those with a newborn baby

How to join:

- You need the following information: your name, address, Telephone number(s), and the reason for you being medically dependent on electricity, or vulnerable;
- Any additional communication needs.
- Sign up online <https://www.westernpower.co.uk/customers-and-community/priority-services/priority-services-register>
- Priority Customer Services Records Team
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GIGABIT BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

Broadband for Rural Communities



NEW Some of the hardest-to-reach places in the UK are eligible for additional funding towards the cost of installing gigabit-capable broadband to their premises when part of a group project.

How do you qualify?

1. Premises must be in rural areas
2. Available broadband speeds must be less than 30 Megabits per second
3. You must be part of a group projects (two or more premises)

You can check whether you are likely to be eligible for our rural gigabit voucher and search for a registered supplier in your area by looking up your postcode on gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk

Need a tutor?

Tutoring in all three sciences and maths up to GCSE and A level Biology offered. Experience of teaching ages 8-18. References available and flexible hours possible.



Please contact Lexi on 07743895054 or email lexihgf@gmail.com

Are you signed up to receive email updates from the Wardington Village website?

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Over 60's News

Wardington Over 60's This September we enjoyed a day out to Nottingham with a trip up the river Trent and a lovely lunch. Many thanks to the "Afternoon Tea" for their generous donation towards the cost of the coach. If the comments received are anything to go by an enjoyable day was had by all those who came along. The next bingo is our Christmas bingo on Friday 6th December. As usual doors open at 7.00 pm for start at 7.30 pm. Lots of seasonal prizes and free refreshments at this festive evening. Everyone is welcome young and old. Our Christmas party this year will be on Saturday 4th January. Invitations will be delivered soon. Anyone who is resident in Wardington. Williams vote or Coton who is over 60 and their partners are eligible to come along to this lovely social event. There will be a three course meal with drinks and entertainment. Booking is essential so please let us know if you or anyone you know would like to be invited.

If anyone would like more information on our activities, or would like to get involved, our contact numbers are as follows:

Ian Franklin	758347
Jane Pearson	750316
Anne Wilkins	758167



I've had my flu jab.

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Gardener's Diary

November

November's weather is usually relatively mild with the ground still being warm and moist, making this an ideal time for planting hardy shrubs, trees, conifers, fruit bushes and perennials into your garden, so get your wellies on and grab your spade from the garden shed. Planting now will give you visible results next year, so well worth the effort.

Planting

Pot up Amaryllis bulbs for Christmas, these make ideal gifts either planted or in boxes. Primroses, pansies or colourful foliage plants such as ivy can be used to spruce up existing pots with winter colour. Pot grown rose bushes, fruit and ornamental trees, fruit bushes such as raspberries and hedging plants like hawthorn, beech or hazel benefit from being planted now, although bare root plants won't be available until after we have had our first hard frost. We will have a good range of pot grown Christmas trees from late November, they are ideal for planting into front gardens, or into pots and barrels by your front entrance.

Garden Maintenance

Remove the foliage of any perennials or bedding plants that have died down. Clear away fallen leaves making sure that you burn any diseased ones to avoid the problem spreading throughout the garden. Make sure your rockery has enough grit around the surface this will help drainage and stop the plants rotting over winter. Purchase fleece to protect any frost tender plants, such as cordylines and olives and your camellias buds. Check that all your pots and containers are not sitting in saucers and lift them off the ground with pot feet to aid circulation and prevent frost damage. Dig over borders and vegetable plots adding organic garden compost or farmyard manure to invigorate the soil, the cold weather will then break down any large clumps for you. If you haven't already done so give your greenhouse a good clean out, you can fumigate your greenhouse with a suitable product, please check the packaging to see if plants need removing during fumigation.

Birds

Clean and disinfect your bird houses and feeders ready for use and make sure a fresh supply of drinking water is always available. Use high fat content feeds such as peanuts, dried mealworms and suet treats throughout the coldest months. We have multibuy offers on 2kg bags of seed, no mess, sunflower hearts and peanuts plus competitive prices on all 12.55kg larger bags, all packaging is fully recyclable. We have as always tubs of 50 suet balls in either standard or supreme and a great feeding station complete with feeders on offer at £24.99.

Lawns - Scarify and spike lawns to aid drainage and apply an autumn feed and moss killer if you haven't already done so. Avoid walking on your lawns if it is either water logged or frozen.

Fruit and Vegetables

Pick any remaining tomatoes and ripen on the kitchen windowsill; make sure all potatoes are dug up and stored. Use grease bands around trunks of fruit trees to prevent winter moth damage. Apple/pear trees can be pruned back thinning out the centre of the tree allowing air to circulate which helps avoid pests/disease. Use a prune and seal compound on any large cuts. Plant broad bean

aquadulce seed now for overwintering in the ground.

Plants of the Month:

Azalea & Rhododendrons- Rich green glossy evergreen leaves on our new stock with bushy, good sized plants, making them perfect for planting now and great spring colour either in shady borders or barrel sized containers.

Primroses- Very colourful cheery plants that will continue flowering well into the spring, they are great for pots, bowls or borders.

Helleborus- The traditional Christmas rose as it is known is the lovely white flowered variety which flowers from October and throughout winter, it is ideal for shaded areas, e.g. under trees or in mixed herbaceous borders.

Camellia- These plants are showing buds above glossy evergreen leaves, they make excellent gifts and will brighten up any garden. Free gift wrapping available.

Erica Carneia: Winter flowering heathers that tolerate any soil type. They are popular for use in borders or planted grave arrangements.

Euphorbia & Heuchera- Two evergreen perennials that look particularly good for Autumn leaf colour. Use them in borders or containers.

Tip of the Month;

Make sure all trees and larger growing shrubs and climbers have sufficient support, check all stakes, canes and ties are not rotten and don't need replacing before the winter winds set in, and movement can loosen the roots and cause problems.

Give all your garden plants a teaspoon full of bone meal, gently sprinkle around the roots and let the rain wash it in, this is an ideal tonic before they hibernate for the winter.

Purchase your Christmas tree early and either keep it outside or allow us to store it securely in our barn. This will avoid disappointment come the usual rush. All trees are cut at the same time and are fine left outside in your garden until required indoors, so take my advice and choose your perfect tree early. Freshly cut and Pot grown trees will be available from around the 21st of November.

Don't forget to come and support our charity evening 6.30 - 8.30pm on Tuesday 26th November, in aid of Katharine House Hospice and Dogs for Good. Take a look at our lovely Christmas display and craft stalls, there is also a complimentary glass of mulled wine and free visits to Father Christmas. Entry fee for adults is £3 children 16 and under are free.

We are also holding our Loyalty card holders evening on Thursday 7th November from 7-9pm. Entry is Free and you will be able to enjoy Christmas demonstrations and sample various delights as well as getting some wonderful gift ideas. You are welcome to bring a friend and you can enjoy 20% off Christmas decorations with your loyalty card.

In addition, this year we have a Festive shopping & workshop experience event on Saturday 9th November 11am-3pm with spruce wreath making and willow demonstrations plus much more, throughout the day.

I look forward to seeing you all at either or both events...
Regards, Craig

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Gardener's Diary

December

The festive season will soon be upon us and here at Barn Farm Plants we have a reputation for good quality Christmas trees, all individually hung for ease of choosing, and all at very competitive prices. This means they sell out quickly, don't panic though, call in and choose your tree, pay and we will reserve it until you are ready to collect. This way you won't be disappointed and get a tree of exactly the right shape/size of your choice.

Read on for seasonal tips and ideas.

Decorating Your Home:

Make use of the evergreen foliage that you have available in your garden to decorate your home. You can cut berried holly for vases, and use plants such as laurel, eucalyptus, euonymus and ivy in wreaths or table decorations. If you would like us to make a holly or spruce wreath then please call in and choose your fruit, nut and ribbon, then collect your custom made wreath on a date to suit you. A hurricane vase with cones, baubles and lights in would make an attractive table centrepiece. We have battery operated and low voltage electric lights which are great for indoor or outdoor use, choose either clear white or from the exciting coloured bulb options.

Christmas Tree Care

Just before taking your Christmas tree indoors cut off an inch from the bottom of the main stem, then position and secure the tree inside in a water holding stand, away from radiators and open fires. Add some water to the stand then gently remove netting from bottom to top. Leave your tree for a few hours to allow the foliage to sit down before decorating. Regardless of which variety of fresh tree you choose, it will drink water each day which helps avoid the dreaded needle drop and also stops the branches from turning brittle, top up the water when needed and never let it run dry. We recommend that you choose a needle holding variety such as Nordmanniana, which are available cut from 4ft-10ft or smaller pot grown.

Planting & Pruning

Cut down any dead autumn flowering perennials marking their whereabouts with a cane. Prune stems of autumn fruiting raspberries. Carry out the winter pruning of your apple and pear trees and apply a pruning compound to the cut afterwards to stop disease getting into the tree. Continue planting fruit and ornamental trees, fruit bushes and roses, transplant any existing shrubs and conifers making sure that you tread in well when replanting and support with a cane or stake, add a sprinkling of bone meal to the hole for instant feed.

Garden Maintenance

Use bubble polythene or hessian sacks to wrap your outside tap, this will stop it freezing up and remember to drain hosepipes of water. Fleece all tender plants and terracotta pots to protect them from frost damage and raise pots off the floor with either pot feet or bricks which allows the air to circulate around the pot and avoid it sitting in water thus cutting down the chance of the pot cracking. Do not use bubble polythene to protect plants as it makes them sweat and they become more susceptible to frost damage, fleece is great because it allows the plants to breathe. Clear pathways and decking of moss, lichen and leaves as damp conditions increase slip hazards dramatically. A good decking brush and scraper will lift the surface dirt and then scrub with a stiff broom to remove surplus debris. Sharpen blades on secateurs, loppers, hoes and other garden tools and wipe with an oily rag before packing away.

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Birds

Make sure a fresh supply of water is available daily and increase the feeding of high fat foods such as suet treats, of which a tub of 50 suet balls are £8.50, peanuts, seed and mealworms should be made available. Why not treat someone to a metal wild bird dining station which includes four feeders this is on offer at £24.99. Superb news for the environment- all our bird peanuts and seeds are in totally recyclable bags!

Lawns

It is advisable to keep off the lawns when they are frosty, constant walking on the grass will damage it. If areas are waterlogged aerate it with a garden fork.

Plant Looking Good This Month:

Planted Hyacinth Arrangements: We have a good selection of wicker or tin bowls and containers that are planted with scented prepared hyacinths for Christmas flowering these are top dressed with fresh moss which make attractive table centres or gifts.

Poinsettia: Every living room should have one! This plant simply shouts Christmas... the traditional red bract variety is still by far the best, but other colours are available too. Just remember to keep them out of drafts.

Cyclamen: For the cooler room in the house these plants are better suited, large flowering varieties in striking flower colours of white, red, rose or pink.

Camellia: The most popular gift line in shrubs is by far the camellia, with its attractive glossy foliage and profusion of coloured buds, no wonder it's a favourite!

Don't forget we offer **Free** gift wrapping on all plant purchases from our Garden Centre.

Tip of the Month;

Topiary Buxus (Box) and Laurus (Bay) pyramid and balls are popular evergreen shrubs that make ideal statements by your entrance door and decorating them with tasteful warm white lights for Christmas would take them to that extra level, why not also add some dried orange slices and cinnamon sticks for an extra scented attraction. Alternatively add a Picea glauca (Blue Spruce) conifer, striking with its steely grey/blue foliage.

Father Christmas will be with us on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th December from 2.00pm-4.00pm, and Wednesday 11th December from 4.30 – 6.30pm, visits are £2 per child includes a treat, he would love to see you.

For the first time this year you can bring your dog to visit 'Santa Paws' on Sun 22nd December 11am-1pm, dress him/her up for a selfie with Father Christmas, £2 per dog and includes a treat.

Remember we close at 12noon on Christmas Eve and reopen on Thursday 2nd January, so make sure you stock up on items such as... **gift vouchers** that make ideal gardener's gifts and bird feeds, logs, coal and rock salt to see you through to the New Year.

When we re-open in early January, we will have seed potatoes, vegetable and flower seeds, propagation products, composts, bamboo canes, feeds and all the free advice you may need, so be sure to pay us a visit.

I thank everyone for their custom this year and wish everyone Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year...

Regards Craig

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Father Christmas

Tuesday 26th November
6.30pm - 8.30pm

Saturday 7th December
2.00pm - 4.00pm

Sunday 8th December
2.00pm - 4.00pm

Wednesday 11th December
4.30pm - 6.30pm

Santa Paws for Dogs

Sunday 22nd December
11.00am - 1.00pm

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Wardington Parish Council Meeting
September Minutes

Location: Wardington Memorial Hall

Date: Tuesday, 3rd September 2019 (7.30 pm)

In Attendance: Mr G Martin (Vice-Chair), Mrs A Gordon-Finlayson (Clerk), Mr N Bankes, Mrs J Herd, Cllr G Reynolds

Apologies: Mr M Patterson (Chair), Mr R Jarrett, Mr G Page, Cllr P Chapman

Also Present: Mr J de Bruin

Agenda Items

1. Minutes of previous meeting – signed

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

2.1 Spruce Meadow – was discussed and awaiting further information from CDC.

2.2 Playground recruitment campaign – no volunteers as yet. Recruitment poster to be put on playground notice board and gates and some apparatus (laminated copies), on village hall noticeboard (if possible).

2.3 Sign cleaning – WPC members aware of a couple of people taking up the challenge and they will be credited in the next warbler as shining beacons of community spirit. Another fixmystreet complaint will be made regarding sign cleaning down the hill towards the M40.

3. Planning

3.1 New

3.1a 19/01399/F Mr Julian Bernard, Lower Lodge, Williamscoth

Demolition of 20th century extensions and erection of replacement single new extension. **Letter of WPC support sent to planning department.**

3.1b 19/01664/TCA Mr James Dobbs, The Bishops House, Wardington

T1: the tree nearest the property – carry out tip reduction of 3 to 4 metres on southerly growth and re-profile the crown form to match the neighbouring tree once that has been reduced. Install a bracing system on lowest southern lateral limb. Reduce northern and western growth to give at least 3 metres clearance from buildings and reduce laterally by around 2.5 metres to achieve a balanced crown form. T2: Install bracing system on 3 lowest lateral limbs on the south, east and north east sides. Carry out reduction of around 3 to 4 metres on south and south east side to re-profile crown so existing limbs are not overly exposed to wide loads. Reduce northerly growth to give at

least 3 metres clearance from buildings and reduce laterally by around 2.5 metres to achieve a balanced crown form. **NO OBJECTIONS.**

3.1c 19/01626/TCA Mr R Jarrett, 2, The Old Vicarage, Banbury Road

T1 1 x Beech – fell. **NO OBJECTIONS.**

3.2 CDC decisions

3.2a 19/00180/TCA Buttercup Barn, Banbury Road
T3, T4, T5 x Lime – removal. **GRANTED.**

4. Finance

4.1 Invoices

101015	DM Payroll Services	£40.50
101016	VOID	
101017	PMP (Warbler – Aug)	£297.00
101018	Mrs G-F (clerk's pay – Aug)	£346.74
101019	HMRC (PAYE – Aug)	£86.60
101020	RoSPA (PG inspection)	£107.04
101021	N R Prickett (grass cutting)	£370.80
101022	N R Prickett (grass cutting)	£370.80
100044	Mr R M Altham	£503.00
100045	Mrs S C Thurman (W Event)	£250.00
100046	Miss G F Harrison (W Event)	£917.70

4.2 Playground 200 club draw – drawn Village Fete

100699 Mr M Reynolds (1st Prize Sep) £20.00

100700 Mr Norris (2nd Prize Sep) £10.00

4.3 Mr N Bankes gave the Clerk all cheques relating to the Fairport festival ticket sales to be banked.

5. Parish business

5.1 RoSPA has inspected the playground and it is fit for purpose though there are some bits of repair work that need addressing. The Clerk was made aware that the wobble board had broken and has now been made safe. Quotes to be sought for this.

5.2 Please could the salt bins be checked.

5.3 Defibrillator at Village Hall was discussed.

5.4 Meeting with John Charlton, OCC Business Support Officer, Community Transport, on Thursday 12th September 12.30 – 13.30 pm – not relevant to Wardington.

5.5 Fibre Optic into Williamscoth – Mr G Martin has agreed to take on this project to ensure that the internet speed is as good as it can be.

5.6 Communication about Disruption to Water Supply – Clerk to research about text message updates that are available: perhaps a feature on “how to” for the next warbler.

AOB

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday October 8th at 7.30pm.

Wardington Parish Council Meeting

October Minutes

Location: Wardington Memorial Hall

Date: Tuesday, 8th October 2019 (7.30 pm)

In Attendance: Mr M Patterson (Chairman), Mrs A Gordon-Finlayson (Clerk), Mr G Martin (Vice

Chairman), Mr G Page, Mr R Jarrett, Mrs J Burnett

Apologies: Mr N Banks, Cllr P Chapman, Cllr G Reynolds

Agenda Items

1. Minutes of previous meeting – signed

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

2.1 Spruce Meadows – Amy Sedman has been contacted for an update.

2.2 Playground recruitment campaign – nothing to report. Clerk to make up posters to be laminated and put around the village.

2.3 Playground maintenance – TSPlay has again been chased for an invoice for work done and no response received. Richard Altham has been asked to look at the RoSPA report and quote for work to be done. He has since replied to say he has been snowed under with work and will get to it at the end of October (as he is about to start working for DIY SOS!). Clerk to follow up for November meeting and seek further quotes in the mean time.

2.4 Poo bin fixing – Richard Altham has been asked to replace the broken post on the poo bin opposite The Hare and Hounds. He has since replied to say he has been snowed under with work and will get to it at the end of October (as he is about to start working for DIY SOS!). Clerk to follow up for Nov meeting.

2.5 Sign cleaning – a few people have mentioned doing some village maintenance; little thank you box in warbler to credit.

2.6 Williamscot internet speed – update from Mr G Martin: apparently 17/24 houses in Williamscot will have FTTP (fibre to the property) shortly. There are grants available to businesses in the parish to get FTTP – information to be put on facebook and website etc.

2.7 Water supply disruption information – you can sign up to receive text messages by registering yourself for priority services (there are some eligibility criteria) to tell you when the water is due to go off. This information should be disseminated in warbler. Ofgem also says that electricity service providers should provide the same thing.

3. Planning

3.1 New

3.1a 19/01587/F and 19/01587/LB Mr & Mrs Price, Old Bonhams, Wardington

Proposed extension and alterations to Grade II listed building including associated external landscaping works. *A separate meeting was held to discuss this as the deadline fell before the next meeting.* **NO OBJECTIONS.**

3.1b 19/01770/TCA Mrs Robins, Hobbs Edge, Thorpe Road, Wardington

(T1) x Yew – removal. (T2) x Hawthorne – removal. (T3) x Apple – removal. **NO OBJECTIONS.**

3.2 CDC decisions

3.2a 19/01626/TCA Mr B Jarrett, 2 The Older Vicarage, Banbury Road,

T1 x Beech – fell. **NO FURTHER COMMENT OR OBJECTIONS.**

4. Finance

4.1 Invoices

100047	North Ox Wine (W Event)	£265.00
101024	Mrs G-F (clerk's pay - Sep)	£346.54
101025	HMRC (PAYE – Sep)	£86.80
101026	Poppy appeal donation	£50.00
101027	N R Prickett (grass cutting)	£370.80

4.2 Playground 200 club draw – drawn at harvest supper

100701	Mr C Hunt (1 st prize – oct)	£20.00
100702	N Metcalfe (2 nd prize – oct)	£10.00

5. Parish business

5.1 HS2 drop in session has been organised by Fusion for Tuesday 15th October in the Church.

5.2 Meeting dates for 2020

Dates in 2019	Dates in 2020
8 th Jan	7 th Jan
12 th Feb	11 th Feb
19 th Mar	17 th Mar
16 th Apr	14 th Apr
21 st May (+AGM)	19 th May
18 th Jun	23 rd Jun
23 rd Jul	28 th Jul
3 rd Sept	1 st Sept
8 th Oct	13 th Oct
19 th Nov	24 th Nov
(7 th Jan 2020)	(5 th Jan 2021)

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5.3 Wills Estate Land Ownership and public footpath rights of way have been clarified.

5.4 Village handyman – after discussion about village maintenance (playground and otherwise) it was suggested that following up on something called “mobile caretaking” might be a good idea. Separately, perhaps advertising on facebook and in the warbler for a general oddbody handyman might be a good idea. Clerk to draft an advert.

6. AOB

6.1 Clerk obtain original of the Welcome pack to update and then seek quote to have it printed so it can be more easily handed out to new residents.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

The next meeting will be held on 19th November at 7.30pm.

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Events Diary			
Date	Time	Event	Place
7th November (Thursday)	7-9pm	Loyalty Card Holders Evening	Barn Farm Plants
9th November (Saturday)	11am-3pm	Festive Shopping and Workshop, Christmas Demo, Food and Drink Tasting	Barn Farm Plants
16th November (Saturday)	TBC	Quiz and Curry Night	Memorial Hall
23rd November (Saturday)	TBC	Moonrakers Concert	Wardington Church
26th November (Tuesday)	6.30-8.30pm	Christmas Charity Evening (Father Christmas Visit)	Barn Farm Plants
28th November (Thursday)	2pm	Village Tea (Christmas themed)	Memorial Hall
29th November (Friday)	7.30 pm	Wardington Garden Club - a seasonal talk by Ducan Coombs (all welcome)	Memorial Hall
7-8th December (Sat/Sun)	2-4pm	Father Christmas visits	Barn Farm Plants
11th December (Wednesday)	4.30-6.30pm	Father Christmas visits	Barn Farm Plants
17th December (Tuesday)	10am-1pm	Christmas Workshop -	Barn Farm Plants
22nd December (Sunday)	11am-1pm	Santa Paws visits	Barn Farm Plants
30th January (Thursday)	2pm	Village Tea	Memorial Hall

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