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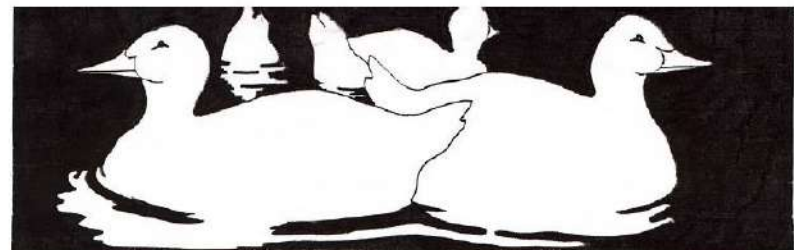
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UPDATE

Local Nature Reserve—Hickling Stretch of the Grantham Canal.



Over a year ago now work began on a proposal to designate the stretch of the canal in Hickling as a Local Nature Reserve; since then things have gone in fits and starts but we have been grateful to receive such positive feedback from everyone involved and from everyone we have spoken to in the village, too.

What is an LNR?

A Local Nature Reserve is similar to a Grade II listing on a house. The designation is made by Rushcliffe Borough Council in consultation with Natural England with the aim of protecting the designated area for the benefit of wildlife and the environment (and consequently, the quiet enjoyment of the community and visitors). A crucial element of the designation is the consent of the landowners—in this case, it is the national charity that manages all of our waterways, the Canal & River Trust.

What would be included in the LNR?

The LNR would cover the land owned by the Canal & River Trust between the Hickling parish boundary to the West (approx. 13m marker) and the

Hickling parish boundary to the East (the River Smite forms the boundary with Leicestershire). It would also include a small stretch around Clarke's Bridge which is still in Rushcliffe but falls into Kinoulton parish.

The LNR would be divided into about six sections; roughly reflecting the different types of habitat and usage.

What are the benefits?

On a day-to-day basis no one is likely to see any difference. This is not a tourist-focused project and whilst we do currently welcome lots of visitors to Hickling, the LNR wouldn't be promoted to encourage any increase in visitors. After all, one of the most valuable characteristics of an LNR is its tranquillity and providing a healthy environment for wildlife.

However, if left completely alone, the very healthy wildlife area that we now have is likely to deteriorate and we will gradually lose much of what we now value. So an LNR designation allows for the formation of a 'Friends of' group which would work in close Partnership with the Canal & River Trust and the Notts Wildlife Trust to work on projects to increase the value of the existing habitats and to slow down deterioration.

The biggest advantage of a Local Nature Reserve which includes a community group of this kind is that the community becomes a focus for caring for this area and has an increased say in how this stretch of canal is managed.

Importantly, the partnership with the Canal & River Trust, The Notts Wildlife Trust and RBC also brings access to expertise for community projects.

What sort of projects are being considered?

It is very early days and new ideas and thoughts are welcome both now and at any time! Inevitably, some thoughts are already chasing along:

- This area already supports visiting otters and we have had sightings of water vole and water shrew; creating and maintaining a hospitable environment for these rare mammals would be a priority.
- Similarly, maintaining habitat for bats, birdlife and the many valuable insect and fish species.
- In the reeded section to the east of the LNR there is prime habitat for harvest mice; this needs to be surveyed and then measures put in place to encourage a healthy population.





- Detailed surveys to differentiate which habitats are strong on which sections, how they differ from each other (there are good reeds and bad reeds, reeds that need clearing and reeds that don't, for example) and how best to support biodiversity and maintain a healthy balance within sections as well as along the whole stretch.

- Part of this is managing water

levels and water quality; whether this is the flooding experienced in January or the low water levels of last summer; pooling of expertise to better understand where the water comes from (and goes to) is an important foundation to supporting the health of the LNR. The water flows from east to west and water levels are maintained by rainfall, surface water run-off and the reservoirs at Knipton and Denton; what happens on the Hickling stretch affects sections west of us. For example, the Smite Feeder (which is rather mis-named as it doesn't help with maintaining normal water levels) diverts excess water to protect communities along the Smite from flooding during heavy rainfall. When it does divert water into the canal it is only when the canal is already high and it often brings with it large amounts of unhelpful silt. Bringing together expertise to manage all these issues would be a valuable project.

- Several landowners who neighbour the canal are already heavily involved in managing their land for wildlife and the environment—working in partnership would bring benefits across the village and the wider area. It appears that one benefit of Brexit may be funding available for such partnerships and we would aim to help with this.

What about the boats?

Everyone involved understands the long-term ambition of the Grantham Canal Society to restore the canal to navigation by boats but, in the meantime, the canal environment is



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being managed for wildlife—a situation which the GCS fully support. In our discussions the GCS have said that they are happy that an LNR wouldn't affect their work and they have offered support for any projects which emerge.

Who can get involved and when?

A 'Friends of' Group.

It is hoped that a 'Friends of' group would work a bit like the Village Hall Committee does at present. It would have a formal constitution and a small number of committee members; these would be volunteers from the village plus representatives from the Canal & River Trust and the Wildlife Trust, for example. But the real benefits will be that anyone in the village can get involved; suggesting projects, helping with surveys or physical jobs or admin and fundraising. Anyone who has an interest is very welcome (and if you have a little expertise, too—that is a bonus).

What happens next?

Over the last year and a bit we have been talking to and working with as many people as we can—including members of the community (thank you for all the interest!); the Parish Council, The Environmental & Sustainability Officer at RBC, The Notts Wildlife Trust, the Canal & River Trust. We have also involved The Grantham Canal Society, the GCWRG and Kinoulton PC (as Clarke's Bridge falls within Kinoulton Parish).

At the moment we are working on the formalities (please contact us if you would like to know more about this side of things) and we hope, very soon, that we will be able to hold a public meeting so that everyone has the

opportunity to get involved.



We are sorry that things have gone a little quiet for a while but hopefully we are moving on, once again.

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If you have any comments or queries to make about this project please contact: Jane Fraser, Pete Playle or Simon Lane.



Mr Nelson Outhwaite.

... & disappearing down a rabbit hole when researching!

Sometimes the briefest of sentences in a piece of research says so much but, also, not nearly enough. Whilst transcribing and researching the Deeds for Old Mill Cottage (opposite the Wharf) we came across one simple statement:

This seemed a rather stark final record for a life and we began to search for whatever we could find about Nelson Outhwaite and his family and what led to this tragic end. A news article reporting his death began to reveal a little more about the man behind the headline (full copy on the next page); his wife Emma had been away visiting their son and caring for her mother and he struggled with loneliness during her absence. Neighbours were supporting him but it seems that it was finally too much for him.

By searching back through public records and newspaper clippings a sense of who he was before his sad death began to emerge. Nelson Outhwaite was born in Yorkshire in c. 1851; he had a complicated childhood and it transpires that his father led a particularly eventful life.

By the time he was 19:

- In 1851 (at the time of his birth) his father was a chemist and druggist in Bradford with two apprentices and a house servant.
- Nelson Outhwaite's mother died in August 1856 when he was about five years old.
- In 1857, his father is gaoled for debt.
- In 1858, his father re-marries in Bradford.
- Sometime between 1858 and 1860 the family relocate to Burton-on-Trent where his father continues to work as a chemist and

"August 1909: Mr Nelson Outhwaite aged 58 years was found hanging in an outhouse of his home Virginia Cottage. House end to road opposite Wharf House."

(H Wadkin; Scrapbook of Hickling)

Nelson Outhwaite
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NOTTS. SEXTON'S SUICIDE

HICKLING MAN FOUND DEAD IN AN OUTHOUSE.

A painful discovery was made about 8.30 yesterday morning when the dead body of Nelson Outhwaite, the parish clerk and sexton of St. Luke's, Hickling, who was 58 years of age, was found hanging in an outhouse at the rear of his dwelling, Virginia Cottage, Hickling.

An inquiry into the circumstances attending the death was held at the Hickling Institute yesterday afternoon by Mr. D. Whittingham, the Nottingham District Coroner.

Walter Thomas Outhwaite, the son, who resides at Mapperley Plains, Nottingham, stated his father had been parish clerk and sexton at Hickling for many years. He last saw him alive about five weeks ago. His mother had been to see witness in Nottingham on several occasions, and a week ago went with the intention of bringing her mother, who was old and in ill-health back to Hickling. Deceased had written to his wife telling her that he expected her home that day. He had not been well for some time, and had told him on one occasion that he did not like being left alone.

William Collishaw, of Hickling, told the jury that he had known the deceased well. He held a conversation with him for close upon a quarter of an hour on Thursday afternoon, when deceased seemed a little unsettled, and remarked that it was unfortunate his wife being away from home. He then added, "It will soon be ended." When witness heard deceased was not up at 8.30 that morning he went with the boy who brought up the newspapers, knocked at the door of the cottage, and then, getting no answer, he went round to the back and found deceased hanging by a rope fastened round the throat. The body was cut down by Police-Constable Jackson, and life was found to be extinct.

Mrs. Ruth Muncks stated that Mr. Outhwaite came across to her house at 9.30 the previous evening, and asked for her boy to go for the papers at the station in the morning. He seemed very depressed and complained of a pain at the heart. She provided him with some refreshment, and allowed him to rest for a short while.

The jury returned a verdict of "Suicide whilst of unsound mind."

where three half-brothers are born.

- In 1861 Nelson Outhwaite is recorded visiting his maternal aunt (wife of a silk salesman) in Manchester accompanying his maternal grandmother; five years after his mother's death it appears that the connection with his mother's family had continued.



Nelson Outhwaite is pictured at a pageant at Widmerpool Hall in June 1908. He is the 2nd from the right on the back row but his face appears to have been blacked out at a later date.



The gravestone of Nelson Outhwaite's mother in Bradford. She died in 1856 when Nelson Outhwaite was about five years old. His father married at least four times, in all—surviving each of his wives.

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Places now available for the Autumn Term!

A huge welcome to our new children this term, Molly and Avneet!

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We have close links with Kinoulton Primary School and offer termly visits up to school to help prepare the children for the transition to 'big school'.

For children aged 3+, wrap around care is available from The Village Hideout at Kinoulton Village Hall during term time (7.15am - 6pm). They provide transportation to and from the Pre-School, so ideal for working parents!

We can offer free 'taster' sessions for all new starters, please call the pre-school on 07950558608 or email hicklingpreschool@gmail.com for more information.

Check out our website: www.hicklingpreschool.co.uk for more information, or follow us on Facebook – just search for us!

Thank you to everyone who supported the preschool at the Kinoulton Big Night In! With your help, we managed to raise £100!

Thank you to all our parents, family and friends for your continued support of Hickling Pre-School!



St. Luke's Church, Hickling
Harvest Festival
Harvest service at 6.30pm
Sunday October 3rd

All proceeds go to Emmanuel House and can be left in the Church porch



All Bridget Jones fans will be familiar with Keats':

Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness,
Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun;
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch-eves run;
To bend with apples the moss'd cottage-trees,
And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core ...

Sloe Gin:

Sloes are best preserved in gin. After the first frost (which bursts the texture slightly, making it more easily penetrated), gather the sloes direct into the slow jar, and fill the interstices with gin. Cork securely, and set away in a warm, dark cupboard. By Christmas-time it may be poured off and used, but may stand longer with advantage.

(Dorothy Hartley, Food in England 1954)

Tip: you can gather before the first frost and pop them in the freezer briefly, instead.

Wind on the Hill

No one can tell me,
Nobody knows,
Where the wind comes
from,
Where the wind goes

And then when I found it,
Wherever it blew,
I should know that the
wind
Had been going there
too.



It's flying from some-
where
As fast as it can,
I couldn't keep up with it,
Not if I ran.



So then I could tell them
Where the wind goes ...
But where the wind
comes from
Nobody knows.

(Now We Are Six; AA Milne)

But if I stopped holding
The string of my kite,
It would blow with the
wind
For a day and a night.

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Sonnet 73

That time of year thou mayst in me behold
When yellow leaves, or none, do hang,
Upon those boughs which shake against the cold,
Bare ruin'd choirs, where late the sweet birds sang.
In me thou seest the twilight of such day
As after sunset fadeth in the west,
Which by and by black night doth take away,
Death's second self, then seals up all in rest.
In me thou see'st the glowing of such fire
That on the ashes of his youth doth lie,
As the death-bed whereon it must expire
Consumed with that which it was nourish'd by.
This though perceivest, which makes thy love more strong,
To love that well which thou must leave ere long.
(William Shakespeare)



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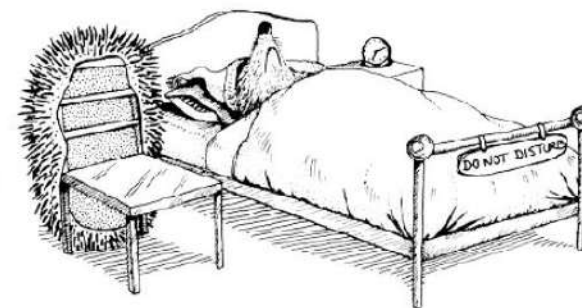
British Hedgehog

Preservation Society: Hibernation.

What is it? Hibernation is a complicated and often perilous energy conservation strategy. It is not just 'going to sleep.' In

sleep all bodily functions remain nearly normal but in hibernation the metabolism is almost at a standstill. Like all other animals, hedgehogs need energy in order to maintain normal body activities, to grow and to move about. This energy comes from their food (slugs, beetles, caterpillars, snails etc). As the weather get-, colder such food becomes more difficult to find and so they decide to slow down their use of energy.

They become immobile, their bodies cool and their normal physiological activities are slowed down e.g. their heart rate decreases considerably from approximately 190 per minute to a faint 20 per minute, the body temperature, which is normally 35°C drops to 10°C or less and respiration almost stops (they will breath about once every few minutes). When hedgehogs hibernate is very dependent on the prevailing weather conditions and starts when the temperature in the immediate surroundings becomes and remains relatively low, which in Britain is usually



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November, December or even January. There also appears to be an internal readiness that brings about certain physiological changes. Towards the end of autumn, hedgehogs consider the best places to build nests (called hibernacula). Favourite sites are under hedges and roots of trees, in piles of brushwood, inside compost heaps or in old rabbit burrows and underneath timber buildings and sheds. The nest itself is ramshackle in appearance but well constructed from old dry leaves, grass and other vegetation and can be up to 50



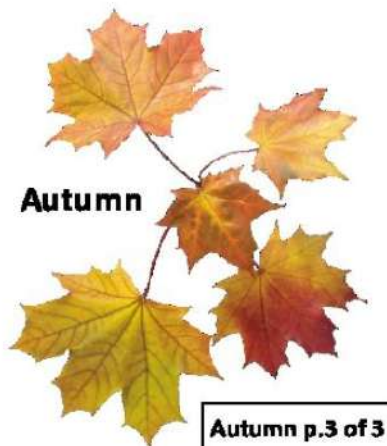
cms (20 ins) thick. Most hedgehogs seem to wake up fairly frequently during their hibernation

but rarely leave their nests. These arousals last a day or two and, although generally unprompted, they may be caused by a disturbance or unexpectedly hot weather. (Should the weather become too cold hedgehogs will not bother to add extra insulation to their original nest but will go and build another one). Hedgehogs in warmer climatic zones appear to be able to manage quite well without hibernating. The descendants of European hedgehogs acclimatised in New Zealand only seem to hibernate for short periods in July and August. Even in Britain, if there is enough food and the air temperature is not too low, hedgehogs need not hibernate. This applies especially to those that may be kept indoors through winter – e.g. youngsters found in autumn, weighing less than 450gms (1lb) and thus being vulnerable to problems during and just after hibernation.

Because hedgehogs are immobile during hibernation they are very vulnerable to climate and disturbance. Hence, the need for protective hibernacula. They are also at particular risk if the air temperature falls too low (e.g. below freezing point ice crystals may form in their blood). If the environment cools below this temperature, their body functions have to “switch on” again and this may rouse the animal to activity.

Usually, hibernation ends about mid-March to early-April but this may vary in years with exceptional weather conditions and from one to another.

(britishhedgehogs.org.uk)



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Remembrance

The Royal British Legion is planning business as usual for the Whitehall Cenotaph Parade on Remembrance Sunday. Government advice for mass gatherings will be monitored, to ensure the health and safety of participants, which remain a priority, and will be updated as necessary. Changes will be publicised through the press.

Our Remembrance Service this year will be held at St Luke's Church, Hickling on Sunday 14th November commencing at 10.50am and will be followed by Wreath Laying at Hickling Village War Memorial. You are all welcome to attend. Any changes which may be necessary will be publicised locally via the village notice boards.

The pupils and staff of Kinoulton Primary School usually assemble at the Kinoulton War Memorial for their own Remembrance ceremony of wreath laying. Subject to the wishes of the new Head Teacher, we expect that tradition will be continued for this year's Armistice Day on 11th November at 10.50am.

Poppy Appeal

The annual Poppy Appeal will also be affected. Regrettably it is unlikely that it will be possible for us to organise the traditional doorstep sale of poppies in our villages, but we will do everything possible to make poppies available locally, including -

Static poppy sales boxes at public locations: The Nevile Arms, The Plough, The Wharf, Sarsfield's Tearoom and possibly more, to be confirmed.

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About a quarter of those who have received help were below the age of 44. The neediest are those who have returned from an area of conflict with severe injuries, particularly from hidden explosive devices, causing loss of limbs, sight, or hearing, for the remainder of their lives. With the added complication of Covid-19 the number of calls for assistance has gone up considerably. The need for funding is relentless. Your donations and wearing the red Flanders Poppy for Remembrance will be very much appreciated.

Michael Chapman
Vale of Belvoir Branch

Table Tennis Returns!

Table tennis returns to the Village Hall, Monday nights 8 – 10pm (from 27 September).

We're very sad to be without Eric and keen for the activity he established to continue. Our ethos of 'simply social' remains at the heart of our evenings. Sessions offer a friendly knock-about or a more intensive game, together with tea and biscuits and the chance to socialise.

For more information call Alison 822761, Jog 822369 or Dave 820262.

Sadly there will be no children's coached sessions.

2021 Service Dates for St Luke's Churches: Sundays unless designated

Date	Kinoulton	Hickling	Upper Broughton
September 5	9.00am Holy Communion PW	6.30pm Evening Service SH	11.00am Holy Communion MW
September 12	11.00am Morning Prayer SH	9.00am Holy Communion MW	(no service)
September 19	9.00am Holy Communion MW	10.00am Morning Prayer SH	11.00am Morning Prayer RCJ
September 26	11.00am Harvest Service SH	6.30pm Holy Communion MW	9.00am Holy Communion PM
October 3	9.00am Holy Communion MW	6.30pm Harvest Service RCJ	11.00am Harvest Service RCJ & MW?
October 10	11.00am Morning Prayer SH	9.00am Holy Communion MW	10.00am Morning Prayer RCJ
October 17 Patronal Festival	(no service)	(no service)	10.00am Holy Communion Patronal Festival Benefice Group Service MW
October 24	11.00am Morning Prayer SH	6.30pm Holy Communion MW	9.00am Holy Communion MW
October 31	6.30pm All Souls Group Benefice Service MW	10.00am Holy Communion All Saints Group Benefice Service MW	(no service)
November 7	9.00am Holy Communion MW	6.30pm Evening Service SH	11.00am Holy Communion MW
November 14 Remembrance Sun- day	9.00am Holy Communion said service MW	10.50am Service of Remembrance followed by service at KVH MW	9.30am Service of Remembrance RCJ
November 21 Christ the King	9.00am Holy Communion MW	10.00am Morning Prayer SH	11.00am Morning Prayer RCJ
November 28 Advent Sunday CW Yr C begins	11.00am Morning Prayer SH	6.30pm Holy Communion MW	9.00am Holy Communion PM
December 5	9.00am Holy Communion MW	6.30pm Evening Service RCJ	11.00am Holy Communion MW

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Letter from St Luke's

Dear All,

The Psalmist wrote 'The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is'. At this time in the year we celebrate the harvest. The bounty of the earth feeds us, thanks to the work of the farming community and our own gardening skills. There are others who have contributed their expertise to making the plants grown more productive to feed the ever-growing world population, and it is also the harvest of the mind for which we should be thankful. We have been given abilities of all sorts which we can use for the benefit of society, and we are helped in this by the God-given desire to do good for our neighbours, both near and far.

At this time when concerns about what mankind has been doing to the earth are widespread, we must use our skills to look after God's earth and to put right the problems that we and past generations have caused. Much of this was done unknowingly, but in recent decades it has become obvious that our actions have led to rapid changes in the weather, the abundance of plants and animals and much else besides. I note that recently the harvest of peoples' minds has started to develop ways of halting and reversing these changes, and improving the world so that future generations can enjoy what God has given us rather than to suffer from the consequences of what previous generations have bequeathed us. We all have a part to play whatever our circumstances. If we remember that it is not our world to do whatever we like with it, but 'The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is', we will be guided to respond with love to the love which God shows for us in providing for us such a wonderful home.

Best wishes

Robert C Jones

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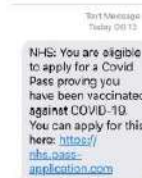
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This is the copy of a text message, however there are e-mails doing the rounds with the same information. They ask you for your mother's maiden name and then go on to request payment for the passport asking for your account details. Vaccine passports are free through the NHS



STOP LOSING OUR WATER IN THE GRANTHAM CANAL

CRT put the water in at the Knipton reservoir end but need to PUT THE BATH PLUG IN at Hickling and Kinoulton. CWRG are raising funds through their funding arm SLOW to repair leaks and clear weed growth in Hickling and Kinoulton.

CAN YOU HELP?

Raise awareness, hold a fundraiser, volunteer some time – We need people interested in the Canal to help conduct a Canal user survey. Would you be able to spare an hour or two - Please ring 01664 823105 or e-mail gcwrg@yahoo.com. Or join our Facebook page. The Grantham Canal has proved to be a vital leisure resource in the Vale of Belvoir to aid mental health and wellbeing so please help.

KINOULTON BIG NIGHT IN

What a great day – really fun and lots of 'fab' music.

A campaign group has formed to raise vital funds to stop further leaks and damaging weed growth in a section of the Grantham Canal in Hickling and Kinoulton. Rushcliffe Borough Council Deputy Mayor Cllr Tina Combella attended the Kinoulton Bing Nite In (KNBI) on September 5 as one fundraising effort to raise a total of £100,000 to combat the issues on their local section of the waterway from Hickling Bridge to Wilds Bridge at Kinoulton. She joined others in raising money for the Grantham Canal Water Restoration Group who are continuing work to counter the severe water loss in part of the Kinoulton and Hickling Basin. The ward member for Hickling joined Peter Cadwaller, chairman of Kinoulton Parish Council and many other Councillors and concerned local residents at the fundraiser after efforts started last year to take action on the issue. They are working in conjunction with the Grantham Canal Society who provide volunteer labour and the Canal and Rivers Trust (CRT) who manage the canal systems. Cllr Combella said: "We are concerned at the continuing loss of water in our area due to a number of leaks and considerable weed growth. Rainfall only provides temporary water and does not solve the leaks so we are raising money to address these issues as quickly as possible. "The Canal is a highly valued leisure resource in Rushcliffe and the Vale of Belvoir and has been invaluable during the recent pandemic, providing much needed mental relaxation and

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wellbeing benefits. "We hope the funds will assist with volunteer help and machinery to make the necessary changes. "The CRT are working hard on the Denton and Knipton feeders at the Belvoir end of the canal but we need support too. To coin an analogy, it is no use turning the bath taps on if you haven't put in the plug in. Sadly this is what happens here in the local basin, when it rains we fill up, then it empties when the rain goes. If you can help raise awareness, fundraise or volunteer physical time, please get in touch. You will find us on Facebook Grantham Canal Water Restoration Group GCWRG or email pcadwallader.gcwrg@yahoo.com

RURAL CRIME MEETING – 11th October

I am holding a Rural Crime meeting for all Farmers and Land owners concerned at the increasing crime rates on the Notts/Leicestershire border. This is your opportunity to meet the new Neighbourhoods policing inspector and put across your concerns. I have also invited the new Crime Commissioner Caroline Henry. Other Councillors and force representatives will be attendance. There have been growing incidents of fly tipping, thefts of High Tech farming equipment & vehicles, and copper cable. The meeting is being hosted at Manor Farm, Upper Broughton. If you are interested in coming please contact me Cllr.tcombellack@rushcliffe.gov.uk or Peter Copley at Manor Farm.

HAVE YOUR SAY on local Crime - Sept 29th

Caroline Henry the Police & Crime Commission invites you to have your say. For Rushcliffe residents and stakeholders, the dedicated event on policing in the Borough is on Wednesday September 29 from 6.30pm to 8.30pm with the venue outlined 24 hours before the event.

AFGHAN REFUGEES

Residents can make donations such as clothing toys etc via Care4Calais, [The Refuge Council](http://TheRefugeCouncil) and [the British Red Cross](http://theBritishRedCross) who are appealing for donations and supporting many newly arrived families from Afghanistan. More locally, [Host Nottingham](http://HostNottingham) are accepting donations for asylum seekers or refugees which may include assistance for Afghanistan citizens.

The list of donations being sought is:

Women's items: Dresses (casual and modest), tops, leggings, sportswear and all sizes 6-18 but nothing larger.

Men's Items: Shorts, t-shirts, jeans, joggers, jackets, trainers sizes 8,9,10 and half sizes and sportswear Medium and Large.

Children's: Boys clothing aged 5-10

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PLEASE STAY SAFE THIS AUTUMN AND CONTINUE TO FOLLOW SENSIBLE SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MASK WEARING. LET'S LOOK AFTER EACH OTHER.

Cllr Tina Combellaack, Cllr.tcombellaack@rushcliffe.gov.uk

East Midlands Freeport

Plans for the UK's only inland freeport have taken a major step forward after an outline business case was submitted to the Government. The East Midlands Freeport would take in three key sites: East Midlands Airport and the industrial sites around it, the Ratcliffe on Soar power station site here in Rushcliffe, which is a due to be redeveloped after closing in 2025 and the 5.2 million sq ft East Midlands Intermodal Park near the Toyota plant in Derbyshire. The document is part of the process that Government has designed to make all of the planned freeports in England operational as soon as possible and builds on the success of the initial East Midlands Freeport bid earlier this year. The technical information contained in the document includes analysis that demonstrates how the freeport will contribute around £8.4 billion to the East Midlands economy over the next 30 years alongside its potential to support and create around 55,000 jobs. The blueprint centres on the East Midlands Freeport's unique strengths as the UK's best-connected freeport, located at the heart of the nation's advanced manufacturing and logistics economy, with plans to boost skills and accelerate the region's commitment to cutting carbon emissions. The next stage of the development process will see further plans submitted in December with the ambition to make the freeport fully open for business by March next year. A wide range partners are behind the bid which is founded on strong public and private sector collaboration. Freeports are designed to attract major domestic and international investment - they allow places to carry out business inside a country's land border but different customs rules apply. At a freeport, imports can enter with simplified customs documentation and without paying tariffs. Businesses operating inside designated areas in and around the port can manufacture goods using the imports and add value before exporting again, without ever facing the full tariffs or procedures. If the goods move out of the freeport into another part of the country, however, they have to go through the full import process, including paying any tariffs. The outline business case contains commercially sensitive information so remains confidential - but more information about the East Midlands Freeport can be found on its new website: www.emfreeport.com

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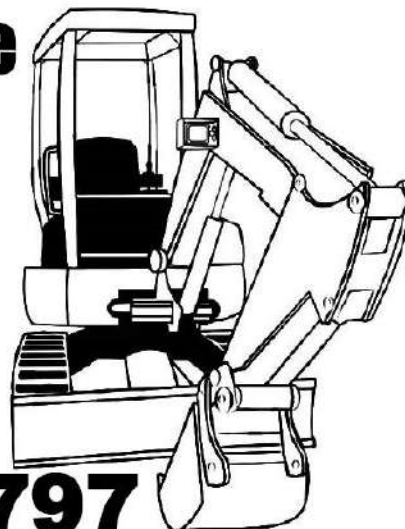
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Hickling Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting Tuesday 20th July 2021 at 7.30pm in Hickling Village Hall.

Councillors: Baker Prosser Lane Smith

Also in attendance: Notts. County Councillor John Cottey, The Clerk – Jo Cartmell and one member of the public.

Election of a meeting Chair: Cllr. Smith volunteered to Chair the meeting. It was AGREED that Cllr. Smith be Chair for the meeting.

Apologies: Were received and accepted from Councillors Barrett, Playle and Reid.

Declarations of Interest: Cllr Playle registered an interest in applications 21/01732/FUL and 21/01304/FUL.

Acceptance of minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2021: It was AGREED that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting with an amendment on Item 20 for the total for cheque no. 753 which should have read £82.20.

Open session to address matters raised by the public limited to 15 minutes.
A resident raised the issue of shot gun been fired around the vicinity of Bridegate Lane. The resident was not aware of who was firing the shotgun, but it was questioned as to whether the use of the firearm in the vicinity of housing was appropriate. Some councillors had heard the shots been fired but as no one had been identified as responsible for the use of the shot gun, there was very little to be done. It was decided that the situation would be monitored.

Planning Matters.

Applications to be discussed: None.

Applications discussed between meetings.

21/01732/FUL Proposed rear single storey extension, proposed new roof to existing conservatory and raising of existing walls, proposed windows - Wharfside Main Street Hickling

No objection.

21/01722/FUL Increase in height of roof to provide accommodation in roof space & two storey front extension; Two storey rear extension with balcony; conversion & extension of garages/stable to provide ancillary residential accommodation (Resubmission of 20/02959/FUL) | The Croft Melton Road Hickling Pastures

No objection.

21/01121/FUL Construction of new General Purpose Farm Barn (including housing for cattle)

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Neutral response with points raised relating to over-development due to intensification of farming, draining issues and environmental concerns.

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21/01304/FUL Two dwellings with vehicular access

Land north of the White House, Main St.

Objection: Due to the site being designated in the Neighbourhood Plan as a Local Green Space. Councillors considered the proposals to be detrimental to the Conservation Area and Street scene and had a negative impact on neighbours. There was a lack of an ecological impact assessment and concerns relating to the shared access for farm and residential vehicles.

Decisions: None.

Other matters:

Email to the Parish from former Chair of the Parish Council, Peter Greenwood: Following the email sent to the village circulation list by former councillor Peter Greenwood in relation to The Orchard. The Parish Council had been asked to review its decision not to take the matter further as the email had upset a number of parishioners. The Parish Council agreed to report the email as a breach of Data Protection Act to the Information Commissioner's Office.

Action: Clerk to contact ICO.

Portfolio group reports.

Adoption of Portfolio Groups format and appointment of representatives.

Finance and Administration – Cllr. Prosser

Environment – Cllrs Baker, Playle and Lane

National Clean-up – Environment Councillors to look to organise an autumn litter pick

Highways and Street furniture – Cllrs Reid, Barrett and Baker

Hedgerows – notice to be placed on Nextdoor asking residents to keep hedgerows clear of pavements and highways.

Assets – Cllrs Smith and Barrett

Cllr. Baker offered to organise the sanding down and oiling of the bench on Walkers' Green.

The Clerk was to speak to a volunteer parishioner regarding cemetery gates and also Peter Playle.

Springer installation: The Clerk was asked for an update from the supplier as to when the item would be delivered. Councillors would then decide on the installation.

Community and Village Hall – Cllr. Prosser

It was AGREED to move forward with the above format for Parish Council meetings and responsibilities.

Points of action for the next meeting.

Cemetery Gates and benches to be addressed prior to the next meeting.

Ward member reports.

Councillor Cottee attended the meeting but had no updates at present. He noted that he was available to parishioners and would happily assist with any queries.

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Correspondence.

Letter requesting a slide on Walkers' Green and pigeons fouling on the swings. The Clerk was asked to reply to the resident explaining that the park had limited space and that the installation of a slide would result in the play area becoming over-congested. The feedback received from parishioners was that space in the centre of the park be kept free for children to play. The issue of bird mess on the swings would be addressed by Cllr. Smith on his weekly inspections.

Action: Clerk to reply to email.

Finance:

Balance of Accounts: £11,680.15 Business reserve: £3,829.27

Payments due: Staff, quarter 1 salary £1,223.04

It was AGREED that the above payments be made.

Action: Clerk to arrange payments.

Items from members for the next agenda must be sent to the Clerk a week prior to the meeting.

Date of next meetings: 7th September

No further business – meeting closed 8.30pm

HICKLING PARISH COUNCIL

Cemetery Gates: The Parish Council is hoping to have the cemetery gates realigned and repaired in November and as part of the restoration project, Councillors would like to have the gates painted on completion of the work. If anyone would like to volunteer to assist with this project, offers of help will be gratefully received.

Autumn Litter Pick: On Sunday 21st November, the Parish Council will be holding a litter pick and we're hoping that members of the Parish will join us. If you would like to take part in the litter pick.

On Monday 11th October at 1030am, there will be a Rural Crime Meeting in Upper Broughton. The Neighbourhoods Policing Inspector will be attending and members of the farming community are invited to attend to express and discuss their concerns.

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From our "Sister City", Farmington in Michigan

Greetings to our friends in Hickling!

Life in Farmington has been very different during the Covid-19 pandemic, as it has been everywhere in the world - and we have all shared similar experiences during our lockdowns: jobs moved to remote - or lost for many - school changed to online, and activities cancelled, including all programs and regular events at the Governor Warner Mansion.

Fortunately vaccines have been made available and many have taken the opportunity to receive them. As the number of people vaccinated continues to increase and cases decline, restrictions in Michigan have gradually been relaxed. We were quite excited to recently be allowed to hold a few socially-distanced, outdoor events at the Warner Mansion! An introductory quilting class was held on the lovely expansive porch. We also had a delightful outdoor fashion show, featuring clothing from the 1700s thru the 1970s. Hopefully there will be allowances for more events soon!

Enclosed is a gift to Hickling from Farmington in honor of Fred Warner's birthday. A local artist created this collage of significant Farmington buildings, many which have ties to the Warner family:

Governor Warner Mansion - Fred's lovely home in downtown Farmington.

Oakwood Cemetery - location of the Warner family burial plot.

Masonic Lodge - Fred was a lifetime member of the Masons.

First United Methodist Church - attended by the Warner family. Fred donated the beautiful stained glass windows at the front of the sanctuary.

State Bank Building - founded by the Warner family. Fred was involved with the business.

Cook and Company Building - shopping area that was owned by the Warner family. During World War 1 Fred donated the use of these buildings to the Red Cross while his wife Martha donated her time to the organization.

We are so grateful to be Friendship Cities with Hickling and will be thinking of you on Fred's birthday.

Warmest wishes from your friends in Farmington!

Martha



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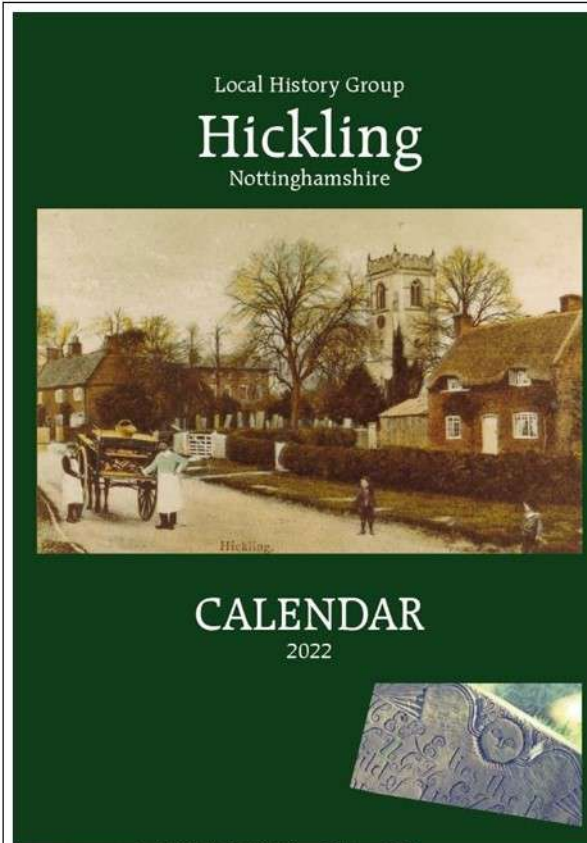
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| <b>Councillors</b>              | John Cottee (County)              |              |
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## Diary

*All events subject to the Coronavirus situation*

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| 14 October  | 7.30 | Hanwell   | WI - Clog dancing          |
| 18 November |      | Plough    | WI - meal                  |
| 25 November |      | Plough    | Local history evening      |
| 9 December  |      | St Luke's | WI - Christmas celebration |

Beaver Scouts 6-8 years, Tuesday 6.15-7.15pm; Cub Scouts 8-10.5 years, Monday 6.30-8.00pm; Scouts 10.5-14 years, Monday 7.30-9.00pm  
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These silhouettes first went on display on 4 May 2018 and are now put out regularly during Remembrance Services and other Commemorative Events.

The life-sized Tommy is in Hickling Churchyard permanently. Have you seen him? He is moved around with the seasons and for special events to make the most impact. He stands with bayonet fixed [the formal position conventionally taken by a soldier when commemorating his fallen fellows] and his head is bowed in remembrance.

The money raised from the purchase of the 'Tommies' went directly to the work carried out by charities aiming to Commemorate; Educate and Heal. The Tommies were made by Royal British Legion Industries, appropriately by ex-service veterans employed by the Royal British Legion Industries.

The figures remind us that humanity struggles to live in peace and it reminds us of the terrible cost when we fail to find that peace. This is relevant today as much as it was in 1918.

## Hickling Village Newsletter - Committee

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