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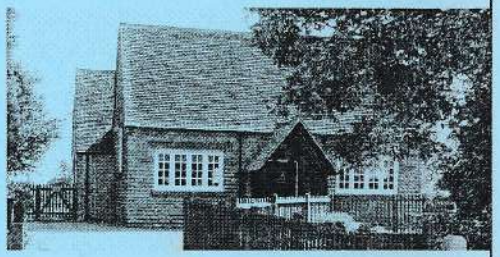

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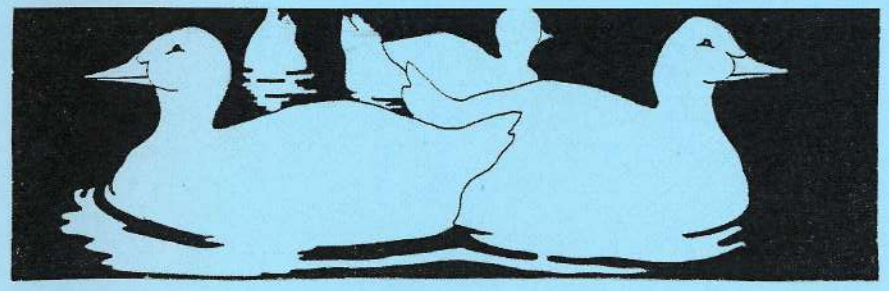

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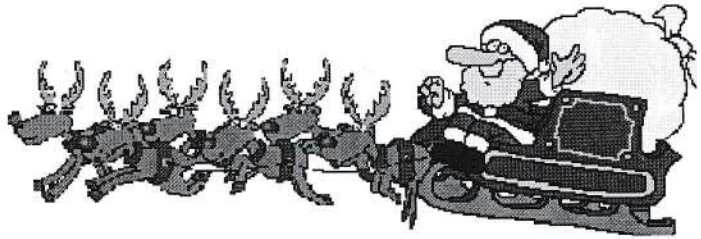

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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TO HELP RAISE FREE DONATIONS FOR THE SCHOOL PTFA

Recently you may have noticed some leaflets circulating the school about helping to raise funds for the school PTFA through Easy Fundraising. It is a wonderful and FREE way to raise money for various events/school trips and expenses that the PTFA help to pay for. As we are approaching the run up to Christmas this is a great time to support the PTFA and you can do so just by doing you're online Christmas shopping! Easy fundraising will then pay a % of what you have purchased to the cause and help to fund more great things for the children at Kinoulton Primary School.

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3. Raise - After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Kinoulton Primary School PTFA will be really grateful for your donations. If you have any questions please feel free to email Ally on Alicia@anthonmarlow.co.uk on how the scheme works.

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Hickling Pre-School Newsletter.

Hopefully you will have all seen the board up at the entrance to the main hall showing what the children have done that day. I certainly find this very helpful as whenever I ask my boy I get told, "I can't remember"!

With the festive season loom fast we all wish you a very Happy Christmas and NewYear.

Changes to the committee-

We had our AGM on 19th October at which our Treasurer, Dave Greasley, our Secretary, Jo Coates, and our Health and Safety rep, Liz Tomlin, all stood down. We would like to thank them very much for all their help, support, hardwork and dedication on the committee.

We would also like to welcome our new committee members who are Rob Freeston who takes over as Treasurer and Laura Gardner-Browne who has volunteered to become Secretary. Also our thanks go to Sarah Mayne who has taken on the Health and Safety role along with her existing role of Equipment Rep.

Congratulations-

Well done to Hayley Prentice who has recently passed her diploma in childcare and development. All the staff are constantly studying/updating knowledge to ensure that we continue with best practice and provide the best learning environment we can.

Dates for your diary-

The pre-school breaks up for the Christmas holidays on Friday 18th December and re-opens on Tuesday 4th January 2016.

The school then closes on Friday 12th February and re-opens on Monday 22nd February 2016 for the spring half-term holidays.

Father Christmas is coming-

Santa has managed to fit us into his very busy schedule and will be making a visit on Friday 18th December between 9.30am and 12.00 midday! Further details about presents and a children's entertainer will be published via a newsletter at pre-school.

Quiz night is back-

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During the trip students visited lots of fluvial, glacial, tectonic and coastal landforms to experience what amazing physical landscapes the country has to offer. Key highlights included the majestic spouting of the geysers, walking down the centre of two diverging tectonic plates at Thingvellir National Park and being mesmerised by the incredible power of water at Gullfoss waterfall. Students become mountaineers for the day, sporting crampons and pick axes to hike the super Solheimajokull Glacier; they even got to drink fresh glacial meltwater off the glacier...but only if they did a press up to drink it!

Students also visited sites of human development including a geothermal power plant which inspired students to see how renewable geothermal power can be used as an alternative energy supply. We were amazed how the wasted heated water is piped under Reykjavik to heat pavements and save on de-icing drives, before being cooled to a temperature which is safe to pump out to sea. Other sites of interest included the church and city hall in Reykjavik and a Viking ship art sculpture looking out over the Atlantic.

The students were incredible ambassadors for the school. Their behaviour, enthusiasm and team spirit were impeccable and they were a real honour to accompany. Mrs Summers is now trying to plan where to take them next! See some of our pictures from the trip on Twitter at: @sw_geogrocks

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Thank you to Dorothy Chahal for chairing the September meeting on the 17th in the absence of the President. Due to a double booking, the speaker for the night could not attend, so Dorothy stepped in and gave a stunning talk about Indian dress customs and with a display of clothes to illustrate. Members thoroughly enjoyed the evening and wish Dorothy many thanks for taking on the roles of both president and speaker.

The Group meeting on October 6th at Willoughby was attended by five members from Hickling WI, but unfortunately Gwen Cane was unable to go due to a fall. The gathering was entertained by a performance; certainly not just a talk by Geoffrey Harris with anecdotes from his life as a master of ceremonies. The evening was enjoyable; the food very good, and enough funds were raised to fund next years meeting when Hickling WI will be the hosts.

Maggie and Dave Holmes gave a talk with slides about their "Unusual Travels" on October 15th. Unusual in that they travelled to out of the way places, lived with the local people, and in many cases used local transport - sometimes requiring military or police escorts. They visited the Kurdish people of Northern Iraq just after the removal of Saddam Hussein: crossed South America in extreme weather conditions, coping with sodden bedding through the icy nights in the high Andes; explored Papua New Guinea and its many isolated tribes and its spectacular wildlife.

Hickling members were pleased to be asked to cater for the funeral of Vincent Reading on 16th October. Pleased to be able to show our respect for a very gentlemanly man who had made his home here in Hickling for a few years. We provided a finger buffet for approximately 120 people and Vincent's family were pleased with our efforts.

We have been given permission to put up a dartboard at the Village Hall. Hopefully it will be *in situ* before our Christmas Party meeting on the second Thursday of December (i.e. December 10th).

Someone from Simpsons will come to talk to us about "Wills and Legal Affairs" and answer questions at our January meeting..

As yet there are no further teas to announce, and the only trip arranged so far is to Skegness on Wednesday, 29th June, 2016.

Mary Smith, Hon. President

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So how do we do the Draw?(computer generated numbers?---sadly no!)

We have 190 numbered ping pong balls arranged in order on 6 cardboard egg trays (yes really-this goes back a long long time!).

At the last Draw 5 people (4 Village Hall committee members and one non-member) checked that ALL the balls went into the box .After a great deal of shaking, 4 numbers
were taken out and allocated, in order, to the 4 money prizes.

The winning numbers were then checked against the names and addresses entered in the 150 club record book. If a number comes out that has not been allocated, it is returned to the box.

At the present time we have 175 numbers allocated mainly to people in the village.

Thank you to the 10 collectors and everyone who renews their subscription to the Village Hall 150 Club each year. Your support is really appreciated.

The Rotary Club of Keyworth and Ruddington will be accompanying Santa to Hickling on Friday 11th December, starting at Harles Acres and ending at the Plough by approx 8.30pm. Do please support us and the local Scouts who will be collecting.

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Remembrance

Our Remembrance Service this year was held at St Luke's Church, Hickling, conducted by Rev. Maggie Woodward. We had a very full congregation reflecting the significance of the occasion, particularly as this year we had several important anniversaries; the ongoing Centenary of WW1, the 70th Anniversaries of VE and VJ Days, and the 75th Anniversary of the aerial Battle of Britain.

It was good to see so many young people in attendance, particularly in the Cubs, Guides and Brownies. For her address, Maggie referred to the importance of acknowledging and remembering the sacrifice made by our armed forces in these and more recent conflicts. And she gave an account of how the red Flanders Poppy became the international symbol of remembrance. The Roll of Honour for our villages was read by Keith Oxby and, to mark the two minute silence, the Last Post and Reveille were played by bugler Jim Woolley. Afterwards the uniformed youth organisations formed a marching procession to the War Memorial led by the Rev. Woodward and the Wreath Layers. On joining the remainder of the congregation at the War Memorial, the wreaths were laid, Last Post again sounded, and the final Blessing closed the ceremony. Refreshments were provided at the Village Hall by members of Hickling WI.

On Wednesday 11th November, John Savage, his staff and the pupils of Kinoulton Primary School gathered in front of the Village War Memorial for their annual commemoration. After a short address which included the reading of the names of the fallen, a one minute silence was observed. The wreaths of The Royal British Legion, Kinoulton Parish Council, the Brownies and the School were then laid. The latter was laid jointly by the youngest and the oldest pupil in what has now become a school tradition. The ceremony concluded with a very appropriate and moving song by the children entitled *We Will Remember*.

The Poppy Appeal

The Poppy Appeal has been particularly successful this year. Our Poppy Appeal Organiser Jeanne Burn works tirelessly behind the scenes handling the logistics of this annual operation, as does Pauline Chell in Hickling. And with the help of teams of volunteer house to house collectors we have so far raised £1,721 and further income is still in the pipeline. The church collection raised £293. We are very grateful to all our volunteers in Kinoulton and Hickling, and to you,

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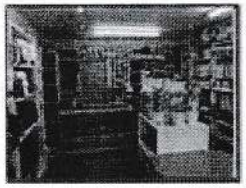

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Hickling WI

Trip to Brodsworth Hall and Gardens, Wednesday 8th June 2016

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Pick up Nevile Arms, Kinoulton 8.20am and Hickling Village Hall 8.30am.

Cost to include admission to house and gardens plus an optional short taster guided tour of the Hall £25 per person (£20 English Heritage members).
For further information and tickets contact Pauline Chell 01664 822835.

Hickling Village Hall presents a trip to

Market Harborough and Lamport Hall and Gardens Thursday 22nd September 2016

We will travel by coach to Market Harborough where there will be approximately 2 hours to explore this picturesque town and have lunch.

Lamport Hall and Gardens is a short distance from Market Harborough. It has been home to the Isham family for over 4 centuries. There is included a guided tour of the house (plenty of places to sit down during the tour). Lamport Hall is surrounded by beautiful gardens and parkland. The gardens are home to the first garden gnomes in England, set in the 24ft tall rock garden. The walled garden encloses an extensive cuttings garden. The gardens, church , Stableyard exhibition and museum of rural life are also included in our ticket. There is a tearoom for refreshments.

Pick up Nevile Arms, Kinoulton 9.00am, Hickling Village Hall, 9.05am
Cost £25 per person.
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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Thank you very much to everyone who supported the **Jumble Sale.** We raised **£661.23p** for the Village Hall.
This year we had an even larger volume of jumble than usual, and we are grateful to those of you who donated clean, serviceable old clothes, bric-a-brac, books and toys. We were able to pass on much of what remained unsold to the British Heart Foundation and a local Scout group to help them with their own fund raising.
Unfortunately we also got a lot more un-saleable items as well. Things such as muddy clothes, unwashed casserole dishes, broken china, worn out shoes and a whole host of other delights, which necessitated **five trips to Melton Tip** after the sale.
We all know that one man's trash is another's treasure, but sometimes things really are ready for the bin. If you could bear this in mind next time you sort out jumble we would be very, very grateful!

THE QUESTION

What are two of the most bizarre objects that have ever been donated to the Jumble Sale?

(No, they didn't get sold!)

Thanks also to everyone who came to the **Quiz Night.** It was very well attended and we raised **£362.** As usual we are very grateful to Jon Vear whose fiendish questions had us all racking our brains (and groaning when we found out the answers.) Yet again the winners were a team from that village which shall not be named but begins with a 'K.' Contrary to popular rumour we shan't be banning them from the next quiz (we're not bitter) but they'd better watch out.....

And finally.....Those of you who come to **Breakfasts** regularly will be

familiar with 14-year-old **Alannah Snow** who has been helping us regularly almost since we started. She began by clearing tables and waitressing, and has now become a fearless seller of raffle tickets, as well as volunteering to help at other Village Hall events. We have been so impressed by her commitment that we nominated her for a Rushcliffe Community Award and were delighted when she got into the last three in her group. Alannah was presented with a certificate to mark her achievement at a ceremony at the Becket School on 11th November. Congratulations!

Barbara McEwen

CHURCH NEWS

Please note the new date for the Church Jumble sale, which will now be on 13th February 2016.

The church stall at Scarecrow Weekend raised £92. Thanks you to those who gave items to sell and to those who supported the stall.

We have a church quiz entitled Head to Toe. First prize, £20, second prize £10. Copies at £1 are available form Muriel Simpson, 01664 822398.

Hickling Local History Group

St. Luke's Hickling December 2015 / January 2016 Rota

Date	Service	Sidesperson	Refreshments	Flowers	Cleaning
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13th December 9.15 a.m	Holy Communion	D. Faulks	M. Simpson		
20th December 6.30 p.m.	Carol Service	J. Bloor	A. Thomas	S. Bailey	A. Thomas / D. Chahal
24th December 11.30 p.m.	Midnight Mass	A. Thomas J. Bloor			
25th December	10.00 am Group Service at KINOULTON				
27th December	10.00 a.m Group Service at UPPER BROUGHTON				
3rd January 6.30 pm	Evensong	A. Banner R. Day		D. Chahal	M. Simpson / V. Haines
10th January 9.15 a.m	Holy Communion	J. Bloor	G. Bloor		
17th January 11.00 a.m	All Age Worship	A. Thomas	M. Smith	P. Jacks	A. Banner / C. Hetherington
24th January 11.00 a.m	Holy Communion	J. Bloor	E. Vear		
31st January	10.00 a.m Group Service at UPPER BROUGHTON				

Service Dates for St Luke's Churches

Date	Kinoulton	Hickling	Upper Broughton
Dec 6	9.15am Holy Communion	6.30pm Evensong BCP	11.00am Holy Communion
Dec 13	11.00am Morning Prayer	9.15am Holy Communion	9.15am Matins 11.00am Sunday Crew
Dec 20	9.15am Holy Communion	6.30pm Carol Service	11.00am Nativity Service
Dec 24	4.00pm Christingle 6.30pm Carol Service	11.30pm Midnight Mass	6.30pm Carol Service
Dec 25	10.00am Holy Communion	*(no service)*	*(no service)*
Dec 27	*(no service)*	*(no service)*	10.00am Group Service Holy Communion
Jan 3	9.15am Holy Communion	6.30pm Evensong BCP	11.00am Holy Communion
Jan 10	11.00am Morning Prayer	9.15am Holy Communion	9.15am Matins 11.00am Sunday Crew
Jan 17	9.15am Holy Communion	11.00am All Age Worship (Family Service)	11.00am Morning Prayer
Jan 24	11.00 All Age Worship (Family Service)	11.00am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion
Jan 31	*(no service)*	*(no service)*	10.00am Group Service Holy Communion
Feb 7	9.15am Holy Communion	6.30pm Evensong BCP	11.00am Holy Communion
Feb 14	11.00am Morning Prayer	9.15am Holy Communion	9.15am Matins 11.00am Sunday Crew

Ramblings from The Rectory

Christmas is just around the corner, but it seems that we have been preparing for it since the end of the school holidays!! These days before one season or event has taken place the marketing folk get us looking at the next thing!! No wonder time seems to fly by!

It is very hard in the world as it is now to try and hold back the commercial side of Christmas and to concentrate on what it really means. The Anglican Church expects us not to decorate our churches until Christmas Eve, so that we can concentrate during Advent on the Birth of Christ. Easier said, than done. School like to see Church decorated for their end of term service, people attending Carol Services want to go to a church that is decorated and to sing carols, not to sing Advent Hymns – which can be a bit dismal!!

So what do we do? We try to compromise, I do ask that we keep decorations to a minimum until the carol services and the school services, and personally, I would much rather sing carols than Advent Hymns! Lights go on in peoples houses and gardens as early as November, I try to look at them and realise that all the lights are actually celebrating the 'Light of the World', Christ, and it also gives a lot of happiness to those who are feeling low.

After Christmas as we approach Epiphany, which is held on January 6th, let us all remember that some things do last forever. The love of our Lord, born 2015 years ago in that small but comfortable stable in a land far, far away, for one.

Epiphany is that time celebrated in the Christian calendar when the Magi, or to give them their more usual name the Three Wise Men, came riding from far away to meet and greet the Christ Child. The story in Matthew's Gospel tells us that they were guided by a star, took a wrong direction and met the not very nice King Herod who decided that, as he was King, no usurper was going to take his throne from him and planned to have this child done away with. Luckily Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar saw through his cunning plan and instead of reporting back to him, as he had asked, returned home another way. Because of this diversion to meet Herod, The Three Wise Men arrived at Bethlehem many days after the birth of Christ, which is why in church the Magi ought not to be placed in the crib scene until Epiphany.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year, from Noël and I. I wonder how many times we will have said or received such a greeting by the time it comes. (Those of the Orthodox faith, who follow the Gregorian calendar, their New Year is celebrated on January 14th.)

Yours in Christ
Rev Maggie

COUNCILLOR'S NEWS
& seasonal greetings.

How good it was that so many people took part in Remembrance Day services throughout the Borough. It was particularly delightful to see the vast number of children and young people attending, who clearly understood the message.

In late 1914, the fields of Northern France and Flanders were once again ripped open as World War One raged through Europe's heart. Once the conflict was over the poppy was one of the only plants to grow on the otherwise barren battlefields.

Rushcliffe residents' survey :-

Rushcliffe would like to hear your views about life in the Borough, and about the services the Council provides. It doesn't matter if you've only just moved into the area, or if you don't pay Council Tax, it is important that we hear everybody's views so that we can put our resources where they really matter.

Rushcliffe's residents survey can be found in Rushcliffe Reports or alternatively at www.surveymonkey.com/r/residentssurvey2015 – the closing date for having your say is 4 December 2015.

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As Chairman of The Community Development scrutiny group in the past year we have looked at pros and cons of Wind, Solar, Anaerobic Digestion and Fracking – more information can be found by accessing Community Development minutes on the Rushcliffe Website

Free winter home energy check

Age UK is working with energy companies First Utility in Nottinghamshire to help older people keep safe and warm this winter. Home checks are available between now and March 2016 that provide practical energy efficiency measures through handyperson services to help cut energy bills whilst still keeping people warm at home.
To qualify for a winter home energy check people must be:
- Over 65 and on a low income (below £16,190 P/A) and/or - Over 65 and vulnerable (with a physical or mental disability, a medical condition or living in a hard to heat property)
An Age UK representative will visit people at home to: - Look at the property - Talk about heating and usage of energy - Check heating and water systems - Provide tips on reducing energy - Provide information on other support available - Signpost to any relevant organisations or services - Supply and install free of charge draught excluders, radiator foil, low energy light bulbs, socket timers and remote control sockets and cold alarms.
If someone you know is eligible, they should contact Age UK Notts Home Safety and Improvement team on 0800 888 6464 or email his@ageuknotts.org.

Superfast broadband picks up pace

This is a summary of news received from Notts County Council.

Over 130 Nottinghamshire towns and villages to go superfast as broadband roll out picks up pace. They will either get access to fibre broadband for the first time or see existing provision boosted to superfast speeds by Spring 2018. This is thanks to contract two of the Better

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Broadband for Nottinghamshire (BBfN) programme, a partnership between Nottinghamshire County Council and BT.
More than 17,000 homes and businesses will be able to benefit from the additional £9.2m investment. A timetable for delivery of the programme in each area is being developed and will be announced later this year. This will include areas where there is currently no Broadband coverage.

RUSHCLIFFE COMMUNITY AWARDS – are given to the unsung heroes and heroines in the Borough; people who help improve the lives of residents and make it the great place it is to live, work and play. This year one of those people came from Hickling. ALLANAH SNOW a shy school girl in foster care in the village who has made her mark and contributes regularly to the village breakfast club. Well done Allanah.

Wifi warning
One of the great things about mobile devices is when we get access to free wifi facilities. However, you should think before you use free wifi. Is it a reputable service? Think twice before buying things online using free wifi where you may be divulging your credit card information. Be careful – it is rather like someone looking over your shoulder dare I say 'snooping'.

BLUE BINS As Christmas approaches we will no doubt be accumulating more recyclable material especially with packaging from on line deliveries , wrapping paper and cards. Don't forget you can get a FREE additional blue bin from Rushcliffe.

Wishing you all a Happy Christmas.
I will catch up with more news in the New Year.
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Summary of Draft Minutes of Hickling Parish Council Meeting 27th October 2015

Present: Councillors Greenwood, McQuat, Salt, Brazener, Parkes and Smith, Borough Councillor Combellack, the Clerk and 10 members of the public.

Open Session for the Public

Objections to the proposed development at the Wharf. Increased levels of traffic and parking, difficulties created for Faulks' vehicles turning into the businnes, rival business to the pub and also to charitable events which focus on serving refreshments.

County Council to be asked to inspect holes along edge of Bridegate Lane.

Building works at Church Farm causing properties to shake and also noise, was track to become permanent feature. Also concern that local residents had not been notified of application by Borough Council and so had not had prior chance to comment. Borough Council to be asked to look again at the continuing issues.

Planning

Applications:

Wharf building, new doors and windows, change of use to tea rooms and bike hire and repairs, new toilet block. Object on grounds of traffic, competition to Plough and local fundraising and unsympathetic look of proposed extension.

The Clarke House, Clawson Lane, garden store and covered parking, no objection.

Shalena, Melton Road, demolish bungalow and build replacement dwelling. Had objected to original plans but now revised to smaller dwelling and majority voted not to object, Councillors Salt and McQuat not in agreement.

Central Helicopters, extension to existing storage unit. Object, site should not be extended until current investigations concluded.

Decisions:

Little Acres, Melton Road, single storey extension.

Correspondence

Request from History Group for £100 towards Fred Maltby event. Agreed but group to be told that this was not be taken as setting a precedent.

RBC acknowledged problems with regard to planning processes, some changes had been introduced.

RBC re heliport, concluded there had been no breaches of planning conditions.

Cemetery

New guidelines for planting agreed and to be put on noticeboard. No shrubs or

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trees allowed on plots, though small seasonal flowers acceptable, planting of other perennials to be discussed in advance. Where graves unattended for six months then the surface would be mown and landscaped as required.

Neighbourhood Plan
Agreed to investigate this further as it would hold more weight in having say on development proposals. Meeting to be held in January to engage parishioners and establish subcommittee.

Highways and Footpaths
Mill Lane will not be formalised as a footpath.

Local Bus Service
No updates about the service but Clerk to inform NCC that bus is turning in Clawson Lane, which is not the agreed turning point.

Environmental Matters
Community tree planting, about which there had been an article in Rushcliffe Reports, to be considered at next meeting.

Village Hall
Committee looking to install new hardwood windows to front of building and considering asking Parish Council to fund cost of new curtains for these.

Telephone Kiosk
Not yet been repainted, Clerk to ask painter when this was likely to start.

Friendship with Farmington
Letter from Farmington had been sent to Hickling Parish, Norfolk. It will be forwarded to Clerk who will then forward it to the Chair for his response.

Local Policing
Crime down but thefts from outbuildings increased, this is priority for next three months. PCSOs to be reduced to 11 but action ongoing to increase this.

Lengthman's Hut
Work due to start in October or November.

Walker's Green
Clerk to obtain brochures with view to buying additional play equipment. Bench needs replacing, hedge cutting and bins emptying, Clerk to speak to

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Streetwise about this last matter.

Finance
Bank balance close to £19,000. Payments agreed, RBC £36 for election fees and Clerk's quarter's salary £750.

Next Meeting
8th December.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

MEETING

WEDNESDAY 13th JANUARY 2016

7.30pm at the VILLAGE HALL

The parish council is looking to establish a sub-committee and move forward with creating a Neighbourhood Plan for Hickling and Hickling Pastures.

A neighbourhood development plan establishes general planning policies for the development and use of land in a neighbourhood, like:

- **where new homes should be built**
- **what they should look like**

Neighbourhood plans allow local people to get the right type of development for their community, but the plans must still meet the needs of the wider area.

Please come along to the meeting if you wish to join the sub-committee or if you would like to find out more.

For further information, please contact :

The Clerk - Jo Cartmell. hicklingparishclerk@gmail.com or 01664 822866 or go to www.gov.uk/neighbourhood-planning

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Hickling Film Society

Film	Date
Mr Holmes	December 15th
Force Majeure	January 19th

Mr Holmes: Ian McKellen brings affection and grace to a whimsical portrait of an elderly Sherlock Holmes, struggling with his memory and his myth. The year is 1947, nearly 30 years after the troubling events which ultimately caused Sherlock to retreat to the country and to the care of his beloved bees. But, as he struggles to remember the details of his life, so we spiral back into the past – to the case that proved his undoing, and to the eastern trip from which he brought back more than mere medication (prickly ash - a rare plant gathered in Japan with alleged healing properties). Excellent reviews.

Ian McKellen as the retired Sherlock Holmes with rising star Milo Parker.

Force Majeure: compelling, intelligent and grimly entertaining. Ruben Östlund's tale of a couple's disintegrating relationship in the wake of an avalanche is a triumph of calm detachment. He delivers a (literally) earth-shaking show-stopper some 10 minutes in, and for the rest of the film leaves us – and,

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crucially, his traumatised characters – getting to grips with the event and its consequences. Excellent reviews.

Cold as ice: an avalanche sets the plot of the Swedish drama *Force Majeure* in motion.

The usual fine wine and nibbles and now comfy seats. If you come early enough you will even be able to get the better ones with arms – there are ten of them by the way.

As there are now other events on Tuesdays in the Village Hall, these films are not necessarily every two weeks.

Tuesdays at 7.30 in Hickling Village Hall

If you would like to be on the Film Society mailing list, receiving this programme in advance of its publication in the various newsletters and also receiving email reminders before each film, than please email Tim McEwen on

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Wednesday 23rd December 2015	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:00am - 6:30pm	8:30am – 1:00pm	8:00am – 1:00pm
Thursday 24th December 2015 (Christmas Eve)	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:00am - 6:30pm	8:30am – 5:00pm	8:00am – 6:30pm
Friday 25th December 2015 (Christmas Day)	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Saturday 26th December 2015 (Boxing Day)	Closed	9:00am – 12noon	Closed	Closed
Sunday 27th December 2015	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday 28th December 2015 (Bank Holiday)	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Tuesday 29th December 2015	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:30am – 5:00pm	8:00am – 6:30pm
Wednesday 30th December 2015	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:30am – 1:00pm	8:00am – 1:00pm
Thursday 31st December 2015 (New Years Eve)	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:30am – 5:00pm	8:00am – 6:30pm
Friday 1st January 2016 (New Years Day)	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Saturday 2nd January 2016	Closed	9:00am – 12noon	Closed	Closed
Sunday 3rd January 2016	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday 4th January 2016	8:00am – 6:30pm	8:00am- 6:30pm	8:30am – 5:00pm	8:00am – 6:30pm

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Diary

29th Nov	2-4		Dove Carols
4th Dec	7.30	Village Hall	Story Teller and Meal
5th Dec		Kin VH	Coffee with Santa
6th Dec	9-11	Village Hall	Village Breakfast
6th Dec		Belvoir Castle	Dove Santa Fun Run
11th Dec		Village Hall	Village Ventures - Hark Hark
15th Dec	7.30	Village Hall	Film Club - Mr Holmes
13th January	7.30	Village Hall	Neighbourhood Plan Meeting
19th January	7.30	Village Hall	Film Club - Force Majeure
12th February		Village Hall	Pre-School Cupid or Stupid Quiz
13th February		Village Hall	Church Jumble Sale
26th February		Hose VH	Dove Quiz Night and Supper
4th March	7.30	Village Hall	Fun Quiz
16th March	7.30	Village Hall	Hickling and the Lace Industry
19th March			Dove Auction and Sale
20th April			Visit to Coal Mining Museum
15th May			Dove Summer Fete
18th May			Trip to Trentham Gardens and Estate
4th June			Dove Summer Ball
8th June			WI trip to Brodsworth Hall and Gardens
29th June			WI trip to Skegness
22nd Sept			Trip to Market Harborough and Lamport Hall and Gardens

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