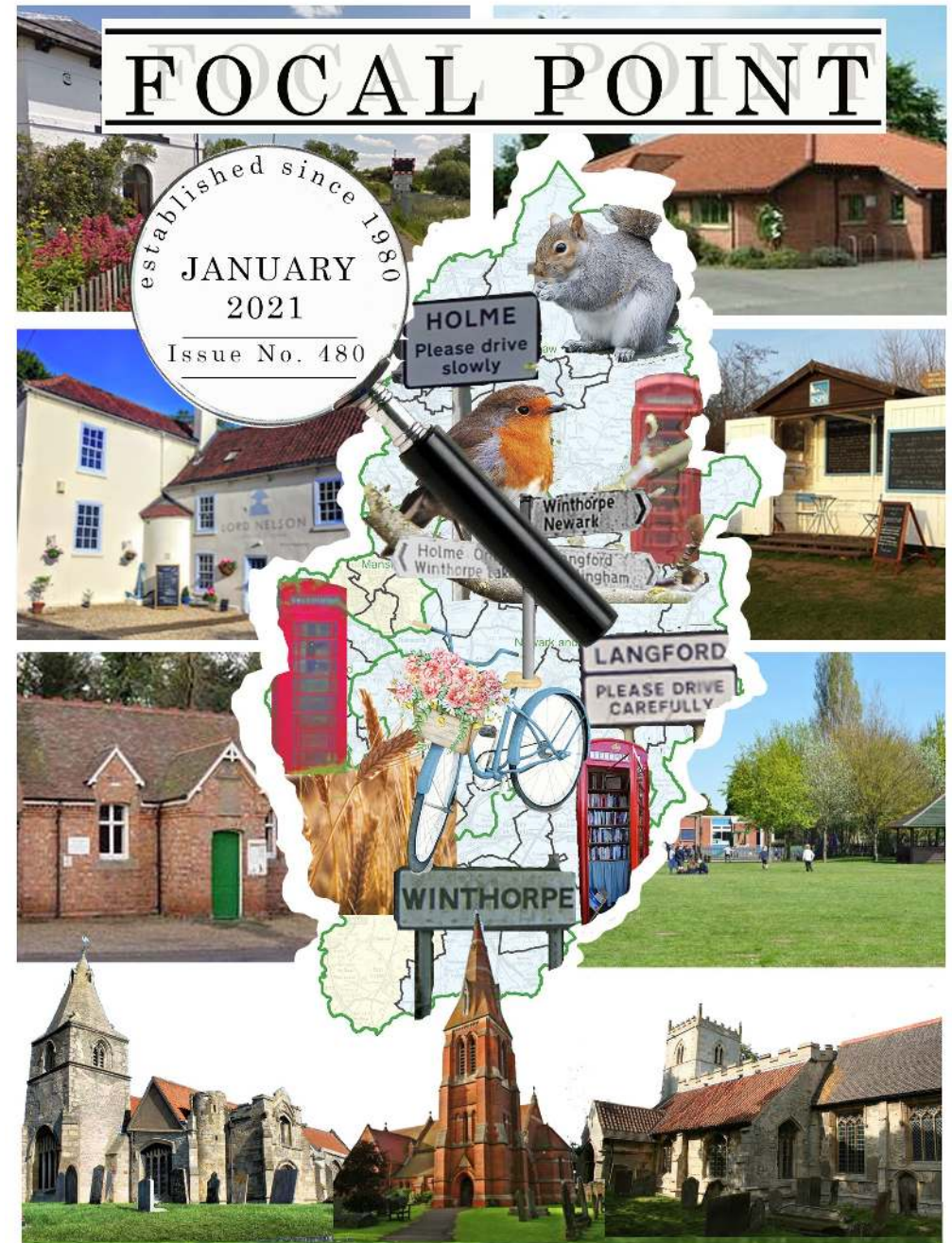




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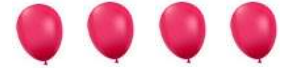
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NOTICES

Make sure to check out Winthorpe village's website to keep up with all the latest news, as well as Holme village's website (Not Secure)!

January 2021 Edition



Hiya!

How was your Christmas?

Firstly, may I just mention the very obvious change to this edition... IT'S 2021!!! Also, this edition may feel a little thinner than expected that's because there are only 20 pages instead of the 24. Every contribution ranging from articles to even advertising means the world to this magazine as your support is always vital to the running of it. So give yourselves a pat on the back for being such champions at keeping this magazine alive, especially during these difficult times.

This year, as cliché as it sounds I have made it my resolution to prioritise the subject of HEALTH including both physical health and mental health. 2020 has been a whirlwind for all of us and for some more challenging than others, but we have survived and lived through our worst of days. I wish I were this creative to say these were my own words, but my Pinterest board has heavily influenced this.

Oh yes! Finally, I have been asked about how my avocado tree is doing. Well linking back to new year's resolutions, I have also made it my resolution to get back into some amateur gardening to help me stay calm and see progress everyday. So, how are my plants doing? Ahh, well they're getting better. My strawberry plants died, we thought the raspberry plants also died and with much fear and worry I thought my avocado tree was on the verge of dying. But, somehow they all end up to coming back to life? Strange. Do you have any strange plants like mine? Let me know! - Lizzie Wakefield (Ed)

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WELCOME

Welcome to January's ONLINE edition of the Focal Point magazine. I hope you enjoy reading this issue. Make sure to check in every month for the next edition. **Thank you** for reading online. Please tell your friends, family, neighbours, rabbits or anyone who may be interested in staying up to date with Holme, Winthorpe and Langford.

QUICK UPDATES BEFORE YOU GET READING...

Unfortunately, on the paper copies the starting date on Saturdays on the Newark Tennis cLub has been cut off! The starting date for Saturday sessions is **January the 9th.**

- Lizzie Wakefield - Editor



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME



Once again the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators have been unable to have a face to face meeting to prepare the Winter Newsletter. At least now the end of the Covid problem is in sight and we can look forward to life as usual.

Still the criminals are taking advantage of the situation and scams are robbing innocent victims.

Here are **ten scams** advised by the Banks:

1. Fake government emails, which look like they are from government departments offering grants of up to £7,500. The emails contain links which steal personal and financial information.
2. Scam emails offering access to "Covid-19 relief funds", which encourage victims to fill in a form and hand over their personal information.
3. Official-looking emails offering a "council tax reduction". The emails contain links that lead to a fake government website, which harvests personal and financial information.
4. Benefit recipients are offered help in applying for universal credit, but fraudsters grab some of the payment as an advance for their "services".

Health scams

5. Phishing emails claiming that the recipient has been in contact with someone diagnosed with Covid-19. They lead to fake websites that are used to steal personal and financial information or infect devices with malware.
6. Fake adverts for non-existent coronavirus-related products, such as hand sanitizer and face masks, which simply take the victim's cash and send them nothing.

Lockdown scams

7. Fake emails and texts claiming to be from TV Licensing, telling people they are eligible for six months for free because of the pandemic. Victims are told there has been a problem with their direct debit and are asked to click on a link that takes them to a fake website, which steals their personal and financial information.
8. Emails asking people to update their TV subscription services payment details by clicking on a link which is then used to steal credit card information.
9. Fake profiles on social media sites are used to manipulate victims into handing over their money. Criminals will often use the identities of real people to strike up conversation with their targets.
10. Fake investment opportunities are advertised on social media sites, encouraging victims to "take advantage of the financial downturn". Bitcoin platforms are using emails and adverts on social media platforms to encourage unsuspecting victims to put money into fake companies using fake websites.

We wish you all as safe and enjoyable Christmas as is possible.

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Seasonal Flu Vaccination Campaign 2020

We will be holding 3 Saturday morning flu clinics on

Saturday 26 September 2020, from 8.00 am – 12.30 pm
Saturday 10 October 2020, from 8.00 am – 12.30 pm
Saturday 31 October 2020, from 8.00 am – 12.30 pm

We are aiming to vaccinate 100% of eligible patients this year, as defined by NHS guidelines. We may be able to open our offer beyond those eligible after 31 October 2020 (dependent on stocks/uptake).

Due to COVID social distancing measures, our Saturday clinics will focus on patients who are able to walk and stand unaided for up to 20 minutes. No seating available. Vaccinations will be administered with patients stood up and a strict one-way system through the Practice will be in operation. Face masks must be worn. Please attend alone, unless a family member is also booked for flu vaccination.

For patients with mobility issues we will be holding weekday flu clinics. Our PCAs will triage at the time of booking.

Housebound patients will be contacted by the practice in due course.

These are appointment only clinics. Appointments will be available to book from August. Please contact the number below or ask at Reception.

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WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL



As you may be aware, Highways England have put a proposal to “Dual Carriageway” the A46 around Newark.

They have submitted two options to be considered and have given a consultation time frame for responses to the proposals.

The consultation period runs from Wednesday 9 December 2020 to Tuesday 2 February 2021.

This gives a very limited time period to consider the options and to respond to Highways England.

Details of the proposals have been placed on the village website giving the necessary links should you wish to contact Highways England.

Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 restrictions, Highways England have advised that they will not be holding face to face public consultation events.

These proposed works will have a major impact on the village so please visit the Highways England website and respond to the proposals.

The Parish Council have recently received the results from the “speed tubes” that were placed at the start of the village.

In order to be considered for an interactive speed sign, one of the criteria is that speed readings must exceed 35mph between 7am-7pm, on an average weekday. The average speed on entering the village was recorded at **34.1 MPH** and leaving the village at **37.1 MPH**.

Considering that the speed limit is **30 MPH** (with an advisory speed limit of **20 MPH** near the school), the results are not good.

Notts County Council are considering this issue and I will update you as matters progress.

Lee Cammack

Chairman – Winthorpe with Langford Parish Council



NEWARK FOODBANK



Please do keep donating! Your contributions are always greatly appreciated. The shopping list is the same this month, so please do give what you can at the 3 collection points. Thank you.



FOODBANK SHOPPING LIST November 2020

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Shortfall Items

Food

- Tea Bags – 40's or 80's
NOT 240/260/280's please
- Long Life Fruit Juice (not squash)
- Sponge Puddings (Tinned or Microwaveable)
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Sugar (500g or 1Kg)

Other Items

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Food

- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Meat – serve cold or serve hot
- Tinned Potatoes
- Tinned Carrots
- Tinned Peas
- Instant Mashed Potato
- Instant Pasta Packet Meals
- Pasta Sauce
- All Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Hot Dogs or Meat Balls
- Tinned Sweetcorn
- Tinned Fish
- Vegetarian Alternatives – Tinned Vegetable Curry etc.
- Tinned/Carton Custard
- Tinned Fruit
- Jam
- Chocolate / Sweets

- Cereal Bars
- Biscuits (eg: digestive/custard cream/ginger nut)
- Chocolate biscuits
- Chocolate Biscuit Bars (eg: KitKat/Penguin)

Additional Items

- Laundry liquid/tablets
- Washing Up Liquid
- Deodorant
- Shampoo (but not conditioner)
- Shower Gel
- Hand Wash Gel
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Toilet Rolls
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Feminine Deodorant

Items of which we have a plentiful supply:

- Baked Beans
- Coffee
- Feminine hygiene
- Breakfast Cereal
- Pasta
- Tinned/Packet Soup
- Packets of Rice (dried)
- Long-life Milk

- Our warehouse continues to be well stocked. However, we are grateful for all regular donations, especially the shortfall items.
- Please take your donation to one of our many collection points in supermarkets. See our website for a complete list.





JANUARY'S RECIPE: - RESOLUTIONS -



Ahhh, how weird is it to say it's 2021! I guess some of us have made some New Year's Resolutions whether it's to eat healthier, give more, help walk the dog more often or simply be a better person. My family for one have been obsessed with lentils and quinoa and we tend to have these for many of our dinners. Here's a few recipes with lentils and quinoa in it:



WHAT THEY SHOULD LOOK LIKE

(These bowls really do vary depending on what you choose)

This link is Australian so
ZUCCHINI = COURGETTE

LENTIL & QUINOA BOWLS:

During self-isolation periods I found myself having plenty of time during the lunch breaks. So I present you my most rewarding lunches of all... the bowl filled with loads of random goodies. Mine usually consist of either a grain e.g: quinoa, lentils or couscous than definitely roasted sweet potatoes and chickpeas, maybe some fish, a boiled egg and some cucumber. Here's a link to a different veggie bowl: Remember you can always customize, switch, swap any bits and bobs.

→ <https://www.taste.com.au/recipes/lentil-chickpea-bowl-haloumi/mt4kytti>

SPINACH, SWEET POTATO & LENTIL DHAL CURRY

Now, this is a classic dinner in our house but we sometimes substitute the lentils for chickpeas depending on what we fancy. Please let me know if you try any of these recipes and feel free to suggest any recipes for next month (possibly in the theme of Valentine's Day)

Unfortunately, there is not enough space to put the full recipe here but hopefully the link can do the trick?

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/spinach-sweet-potato-lentil-dhal>



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Seasons Greetings to one and all!

Writing our submission for Focal Point on December 7th seems like it's a zillion years to go until Christmas Day, in reality it's just 18 days Who knows what Boris will say to us on December 16th? Whatever he says, we will do our very best to continue serving our local community during these extraordinary times.

If you haven't joined our mailing list, please give us a call and we will add you to it, you can hear from us first hand new menu and updates - your email address will only ever be used by us.

If you haven't yet placed your Christmas order for your meat, fish, veggies or dairy - cut off date is December 21st.

Along with each of you, we are looking forward to spending time with our families this Christmas and have taken the decision to take a few days off.

Lockdown and Tier 3 opening hours:

Monday/Saturday - 9am/7pm

Sunday - 9am/4pm

Christmas and New Year opening hours:

December 29th (Tuesday) - 9am/7pm	Christmas Eve (Thursday) - 9am - 12.30pm
December 30th (Wednesday) - 9am/7pm	Christmas Day (Friday) - Closed
New Years Eve (Thursday) - 9am/4pm	Boxing Day (Saturday) - Closed
New Years Day (Friday) - Closed	December 27th (Sunday) - Closed

Thank you for your support in 2020, stay well, keep safe and here's to a healthier and safer New Year

Susie & Emma xx

PPG STILL IN LOCKDOWN...

The Patient Participation Group (PPG) working with Collingham Medical Centre (CMC) is still affected by lockdown just like the rest of us so all activities and events are on hold. Hopefully 2021 will herald better times with the advent of a vaccine.

The PPG has welcomed 2 new members and there is a vacancy for one more. Meetings are normally held once monthly at CMC but currently by Zoom as we all isolate as far as possible. We are also seeking a Treasurer. Our previous Treasurer has put everything in place so if you could offer a couple of hours each month we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact us on collinghamppg@gmail.com or via CMC.

We are hoping to carry out a poster campaign regarding reminders for safety during this COVID-19 situation. Posters will shortly be placed on public notice boards in all the villages served by CMC.

Practice News

CMC have welcomed three new staff members; Kira to the Patient Care Advisory Team along with Josh to the Pharmacy. Caitlin (who you'll know from the Pharmacy) will start her training as a PCA over the next few months.

The Flu Clinics have run very smoothly this year with patients being prepared before arriving in the Consulting Rooms - an amazing 1000 patients being vaccinated in the last a six hour clinic. Flu clinics for 50-64 year old age group are planned; details will follow as soon as confirmation of vaccine delivery is received.





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Opening Hours of the CMC and Pharmacy remain usual hours – only a shortage of team members will influence a review of service opening times to remain safe. CMC and the Pharmacy will be closing for the four day December Bank Holiday 25 – 28 December 2020 – Re-open 8.00 am Tues, 29 December – it's important to rest the whole site team. A well deserved break! Details of emergency Pharmacies open in the area will be posted on the Pharmacy door for information over the Bank Holiday.

Prescription Delivery

Deliveries are still available for those who qualify. You can pay a subscription to have your prescription delivered if for convenience, please contact Pharmacy for details.

Collingham Village Care also will collect a prescription for you, alongside the volunteer services running in Swinderby and Eagle.

Keeping in touch

The CMC are providing updates on services at the 'Collingham Community Conversation' which runs once a month on a Thursday evening, 6.30-7.30pm. The next one is on Thursday 10th December 2020. You can join by Zoom, or you can watch on YouTube or Facebook. For more information please contact us via the gmail address above and we will send you the Zoom links

THIS PART IS OUT OF DATE BUT STILL APPLIES TO THE NEXT MONTHS - SIMPLY CONTACT THE PPG VIA EMAIL TO FIND OUT MORE DETAILS.

The PPG wish you all a safe Christmas and look forward to a brighter situation in 2021.



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LUNCH CLUB 2021



With no sign of large groups being allowed to meet inside, the Lunch Club will continue in the Lord Nelson if we move back into Tier Two. If we stay in Tier Three I think it can only be a Takeaway meal.

Tish Applewhite



100 CLUB

- December's Winners -



1st	£46.20	E. Allen
2nd	£23.10	V. Jackson
3rd	£7.70	O. Husemeyer

Congratulations to our winners in December! You could also be a winner whilst supporting your local community centre by contributing £2 per month. Information available from Duncan Richardson at duncrichardson@sky.com



W. I CLUB



"The committee and I hope that you all had a good Christmas and were able to spend time with your families. We are now starting a new year in the hope that it will be a better one for everyone. It is nearly a year since we were all able to meet up and have our monthly meetings. Last December we said goodbye to one of our former members Brenda Tinsley, a lovely lady who had a wonderful sense of humour. The committee and I hope you all enjoyed your Goody Bags. Let's hope we can start up some local walks soon. I know the committee and myself are looking forward to when we can get back to our monthly meetings. The good news is that a vaccine is gradually being administered."

Virginia R. Seager (President)

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COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS

FOR JANUARY

- Sun Jan. 10th - Weds Jan. 13th - Sun Jan. 24th -



NEW WALKERS ALWAYS WELCOME .

Come along and join this friendly group .



If you would like to join us on any of these walks please contact **NINA WARD** on collinghamramblersnottswalks@gmail.com for more information and specific walk details .

We provide an excellent variety of walks in Nottinghamshire and adjacent counties .Walkers should provide snacks , drinks and packed lunches if appropriate .Suitable footwear and waterproofs are necessary .

COACHING AND PLAY AT NEWARK TENNIS CLUB IN 2021 CONTINUES THROUGHOUT JANUARY

- START A NEW ACTIVITY IN THE NEW YEAR -

Newark Tennis Club offers high quality tennis coaching with a level 3 LTA coach for all abilities and all ages

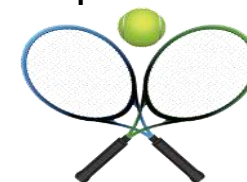
Whether you are a beginner or want to improve your game, come along to Newark Tennis Club on London Road (to the rear of the old Lilley and Stone School).

Mondays -> STARTING ON JANUARY 11TH	5:30pm - 6:30pm (under lights at Sherwood Avenue Courts)	Juniors
Saturdays -> STARTING ON JANUARY 9TH	9am - 10am & 10am - 11am	Juniors
Saturdays -> STARTING ON JANUARY 9TH	11am - 12:30pm	Adults

Contact the coach Jon Penney for further information.

07941 449351 or jontennis@hotmail.co.uk
General club information and membership details can be found on www.newarktennisclub.co.uk

These courses will run up to 1/2 term.





INDULGENCE

I've overindulged, I've done it again.
My brain just does not know how to say,
"When!".
The temptations were chocolates, cake and wine,
And lots of other treats to have at Christmas time.



The shops set out a tempting display,
With TV adverts to help us along the way.
Kevin the Carrott encouraged us to buy,
"But this year I won't eat as much", I heard my inner self cry.



Well now my clothes won't fit any more.
There's a pile for charity on the bedroom floor.
I'm annoyed, because some of them cost a lot of dosh,
I just can't believe they have shrunk in the wash!



The scales are the enemy,
I really can't bear to look.
Oh how on earth can I weigh that much,
The needle must be stuck.

And now there are leaflets falling through the door.
Weight Watchers, Slimming World, gym membership and more.
Oh how I regret buying so much food and wine,
I really must lose weight and be slim for summertime.

I shouldn't have given in, it's the willpower that I lack,
But the damage has been done, there is no turning back.
I really did enjoy it and it's only once a year,
But when I look in the mirror, I have an expanding rear!



The cost of the food has doubled, in my effort to be slim,
As I have found my willpower and enrolled at a gym.
Next year, I must be stronger and take much smaller sips.
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RSPB Langford Lowfields

– January News 2021



It's been another busy month at Langford, with several good bird sightings across the site. The bird seed crop near the car park has been very productive. This has been sown with a cereal mix including white millet, quinoa, triticale, wheat and barley and is called the 'Bunting Mix', by the suppliers. It has certainly lived up to its name with hoards of reed buntings feeding on the crop, along with other species such as chaffinch, yellowhammer, brambling, lesser redpoll and the reserves first tree sparrows for several years. Tree sparrows have bred on site in the past, but not since 2012, so it's great to have them back on site and there have been up to 15 counted with the main reed bunting flock in the hedgerows around the seed crop.

There have been some waders still passing through the site, favouring the Phase 3 area at the southern end of the reserve and viewable from the public footpath that follows Slough Dike. Knot and dunlin have both been seen recently in this area.

Birds of prey and owls have been well represented too on site in the last month, with two peregrines, a merlin and regular sightings of marsh harrier over Phases 1 and 2. A long-staying short-eared owl has been delighting staff, volunteers and visitors whilst hunting over Phases 1 and 2. This has been the first short-eared owl in a few years on site, so is a very welcome record.

Bearded tits are back on site and have been heard a couple of times now in reed near the viewing platform on the Cromwell Trail. A water pipit has been seen from the southern boundary footpath. Our long-staying great white egrets are still about, giving good views from the same place on the Cromwell Trail and our scarcer winter wildfowl have been represented by pintail, goldeneye, whooper swan and several skeins of pink-footed geese over the site recently.

Our volunteers have continued on removing willow from the reedbed this month. This removal work ensures that the reedbed stays wet and doesn't start to scrub over and eventually become woodland. We have also been busy cutting reed out on the Phase 1 islands. Cutting reed in the winter stimulates it into increased growth in the following spring and summer, helping the reedbeds develop quicker. It also removes some of the litter layer at the base of the reedbed, which if not periodically removed contributes to the reedbed drying out.

LIVING MORE SUSTAINABLY IN 2021!

Whilst the pandemic pushed its way into pole position in terms of taking our attention in 2020, let's hope 2021 means we can take back some control and make our own contribution to a more sustainable Planet.

Sustainable living involves reducing the amount of Earth's resources that we use in order to protect it for future generations.

Everything you do in your day to day life has an impact on the planet and that can make living sustainably seem overwhelming! But making small choices every day can make a big impact on the planet and our community.

Here are a few suggestions... starting with the ones that could also save you money! Do share your ideas of the steps you are taking to reduce your carbon footprint!

Think twice... Do nothing... living without can feel uncomfortable but if we can all move towards having enough as oppose to abundance that will be a big step forward. Before spending your money spare a thought for whether you need that extra thing in your life. Could you mend the item you are replacing, borrow from someone else, is there an alternative or could you even do without? If you need to buy could you buy second hand or from a charity shop? It would be great if someone locally enjoyed mending and fixing.... happy to pay!

Cut back on packaging and choose reusable. Avoid buying items that are excessive in their use of packaging, choose loose vegetables and a reusable cardboard box or bags for life. There has been a lot of publicity over single use products, particularly plastics which tend to end up in landfill or the ocean. Reusable items are now more available. If you are not already then you could use a drinks bottle and drink tap water rather than buy bottled drinks when out and about! The same applies to coffee cups. Reusable straws, rechargeable batteries, hard soap rather than liquid in plastic bottles are all a step in the right direction. In my endeavour I have tried new bathroom products – Eco Warrior soap I love but the banana smelling moisturiser I have is taking some getting used to!!!



Buy bulk and refill. Unfortunately environmentally friendly cleaning products can be expensive. Buying bulk can make it cheaper if you have the room. Even buying bulk of non-environmentally friendly products will mean less plastic waste. Better still there are lots of recipes for making your own cleaning products using vinegar, bicarbonate of soda, castile soap and other much cheaper alternatives. Oil drops such as lavender and lemon can improve the smell and peppermint can discourage spiders! Any ideas here welcome as my family is not so sure the oils sufficiently mask the smell of vinegar... although it fades...

Energy. Reduce your energy consumption and use renewable energy. Turn off lights, don't leave appliances on standby, turn down heating, limit your use of high energy consuming appliance like the clothes drier. Replace light bulbs with low energy. Only boil the water that you need in the kettle. When choosing new appliances consider with EPC Rating. When you need a new heater consider air source or others and maybe even solar! Check out the latest government financial support initiatives for heating systems, boilers and insulation...

Do share your ideas - it would be great if we could all help each other be more sustainable in 2021!

Julia



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JANUARY REFLECTIONS



Dear Friends,



I trust you've kept safe and well over the last month and that you are enjoying Christmas, whatever you are doing. Thankfully, it is still Christmas because the season begins on December 25th with a birth in a stable and ends on February 2nd in a temple where the baby was taken and his parents thanked God for his birth. The baby is Jesus and in between those events, we celebrate the visit of the wise men, Jesus' Baptism and a wedding where Jesus turned water into wine. January is a joyful month because we remember and read the stories of Jesus which tell us that he was more than just a special baby and man. In Jesus, we see the unique, never been done before revelation of God and humanity completely combined, God come down to earth, into our lives and amongst us. That's why we call this time of year Epiphany, because Jesus is revealed as fully human and fully God.

That is good news and celebrating that is the best way to start a new year, perhaps especially this year when we face so many uncertainties and the thought of filling in a year planner feels like a bad joke.

We don't know what lies ahead in 2021, but actually, we never do, do we?

Here is a quotation from a poem by Minnie Haskins. The poem is called God Knows and it was published in 1908.

I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year, "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown". And he replied "Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to you better than a light, and safer than a known way."

This section of the poem was used by King George V1 in his Christmas broadcast of 1939, to encourage the nation at the start of World War 2.

At the start of 2021, when we've all lived through a difficult year and some of us have suffered loss, let's take these words to heart for ourselves, let's look out for signs of hope and new life and let's follow Jesus. Keep watching out for what's happening in church and do join in, we'll do all we can to follow the guidelines and carry on meeting, as we see what this year brings.

Have a very joyful and blessed new year.

Revd Mandy.

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New Year**




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ALL SAINTS WINTHORPE CHURCH NOTICES



"In the New Year, may your right hand always be stretched out in friendship, never in want"

A very happy New Year to everyone! I hope 2021 brings as much normality back into our lives as is possible.

It is very odd writing these notes way before Christmas and before all of our Christmas events that we have planned for in a very different way have taken place! Hopefully, the Christingle went well and fun was had by the children and adults. The outside Carol Singing should have been fun if the weather was kind and everybody should have been warm at the Christmas Eve Holy Communion Service!

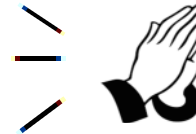
If we are still in Tier Three we will be able to hold our three services this month albeit socially distanced and masked. Roll on being able to sing hymns once more- I have missed that so much.

January is always a 'quiet' month after the exertions of Christmas, let's hope the weather is kind for our daily exercise and that more and more villagers are invited for vaccinations!

We are very much thinking in our prayers for anyone in the village who is ill or hospitalised at this time.

Tish Applewhite

Church Services for JANUARY 2021



Sunday 10th
(Baptism of Christ)

10.30 a.m.

Holy Communion

Winthorpe

Sunday 17th
(2nd after Epiphany)

10.15 a.m.

Morning Worship

Winthorpe

Sunday 24th
(3rd after Epiphany)

5p.m.

Evening Prayer

Winthorpe

The Church Bells may be rung for any of the Winthorpe services.

*****Flower Ladies***** January 4th - 2p.m.- removal of Christmas decorations, thank you.

Church Cleaners – Mrs C. Hasman and Mrs J.Foden (end of the month ,thankyou)



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JANUARY'S CALENDAR 2021

Please let me know about any events happening in the three villages, I would love to put them in the calendar (Ed)



Friday	1st	Happy New Year! - New Year's Day	See pg. 6
Sunday	3rd	Festival of Sleep Day	
Monday	4th	Silver Bin	
Monday	4th	World Braille Day!	
Monday	11th	Green & Brown Bin	
Saturday	16th	World Religion Day	
Monday	18th	Silver Bin	
Monday	18th	Brew Monday	
Mon	18th -24th	Sugar Awareness Week	
Saturday	23rd	National Reading Day	
Monday	25th	Burns Night!	
Monday	25th	Green - same as NORMAL Brown Bin - CANCELLED!	
Wednesday	27th	Holocaust Memorial Day	



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NB BIN COLLECTIONS IN HOLME VILLAGE ON FRIDAYS

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www.winthorpe.org.uk

BYE FOR NOW!

Thanks for stopping by! I hope that you check in online next month. Let me know (Lizzie, your FP Editor) if you have any suggestions for future editions . And don't forget to tell others about the online copies, especially if they want to see it in COLOUR!

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- Lizzie Wakefield (Ed)