

WILLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

Summer 2016

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DEFIBRILLATOR

With the help of Willingham & District Relief in Sickness Charity and Cllr R Shore Councillors Initiative Fund, a AED was purchase for the village. A training session was held in February and was attended by many residents. In an emergency, please dial 999 and the access code will be given.



PARISH FOOTPATHS

From April 2016, Lincolnshire County Council ceased the provision of grant funding for the Parish Paths Partnership due to financial pressures but have assured the parish council that officers will continue to do their best to maintain the County's rights of way to the best condition possible. Please email

countryside_access@lincolnshire.gov.uk if you have any problems with Willingham's Public Rights of Way.

If you are able to care for an area/footpath near you, please feel free to do so for your community, it would be much appreciated.

Thank you

BEST KEPT GARDEN COMPETITION

Judging will take place in early August –
Prize to be awarded at the Horticultural Show
on Saturday 24th September 2016

Flagpole

A flagpole has been placed at the entrance to the playing field and positive comments have been received. Flags will be flown to mark special events and celebrations. Leading up to the Queen's 90th celebrations, sadly our special 90th Birthday flag went missing from the pole so had to be replaced with the Union Jack.



Clean for the Queen – Litter Pick

We had our annual litter pick around the village in March – Thank you to all the volunteers that gave their time to help clean our Village.



The Queen's Birthday Celebrations

THANK YOU to the Village Hall Committee & all the Willingham Community that pulled together to help make it a success. It all started off at the village hall on the Friday with live music, quiz and a raffle. On the Saturday morning – there was a 90-year timeline of



memorabilia with refreshments followed by Bell Ringing from St Helens and then on to the Playing Field for a Royal Garden Party meets Ascot with great activities, music performed by Wilko and 1940's/50's singing by Kelly Waldie, a BBQ. A good time was had by all despite the weather. It was good to see so many residents, all coming together and having fun!

Children under 16 years of age were invited by the Parish Council to receive a HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II 90TH BIRTHDAY COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL to celebrate the Queen's special birthday. 50 medals were presented at the Celebration weekend



Message from Anglian Water - Private Pumping Station

If you have a private pumping station in your garden or in your street, we need to know about it. You are currently responsible if anything goes wrong but the good news is that from October 2016 we will take responsibility for many private pumping stations in our region. This will include the cost to maintain and run them, but we have to find them first. If you're not sure what you're looking for our handy spotter's guide can help.

So if you have one get in touch today: 03457 145 145

Or email us at:

privatepumpingstations@anglianwater.co.uk

spotapumpingstation.co.uk

THANK YOU

The Parish Council would like to thank
Maureen Vauvert for
maintaining the village planter

- The Annual Meeting of the council was held on 10th May where Cllr David Bingham was elected as Chairman and Syd Webster as Vice
- The Annual Parish Meeting was held on 28th April & was well attended by residents
- Louise Foreman was co-opted as a councillor on 14th June 2016. The Parish Council still have a vacancy, if you have an interest in becoming a councillor for your village please contact the clerk for more details
- A donation was made to St Helens for the Christmas Lights
- The Parish Council provides & maintains Willingham Cemetery on Marton Road -grass cutting as well as at the church yard
- Anyone new to the village?? We have a Welcome to Willingham letter with all the information you will need to help you settle in – please contact Dorothy Wain – 788332
- The drain opposite the surgery has finally been resolved by Anglian Water with help from Sir Edward Leigh. They have put a valve into the pipe work to transfer all water to the sewage works and this seems to have solved the problems/bad smells
- Grants have been made to the Playing Field and the Village Hall committees
- PC meetings take place 2nd Tues each month (no meetings January & August) commencing at 8pm with a 10min public forum

YOUR PLAYING FIELD NEEDS YOU!

If you can help with fundraising and/or general maintenance of the field & park

Please contact – Tim Foreman tel.788575