

FLINTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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VANDALS ATTACK NEW CYCLE SHELTER

WITHIN four weeks of a £2500 cycle shelter being erected by Notts County Council at Coney Grey Spinney, it has been severely damaged by vandals.

An officer from the County Council has inspected the damage and repair work was being put in hand.

MORE SHOP VOLUNTEERS?

A SURVEY undertaken by the Flintham Community Shop to get opinions on the service it offers could find it helps them in another way as well.

The survey has been checked to bring together opinions on the shop's future and the data indicate five respondents are willing to volunteer at the shop.

People have been honest in their comments, some of which are unexpected. For example, several people mentioned that if the shop closed, house prices would drop because the shop and the pub are quoted in house sale particulars, giving Flintham an edge on some of the surrounding villages.

HEALTH AND SAFETY TIPS FOR PUPILS

YOUNGSTERS at Flintham Primary School took part in a Health and Safety week when a number of special activities were on offer, including a visit from the Royal National Life Boat Institution and a talk by Sue Clayton on health and safety in the period 1917-1933.

The children were also told of the importance of covering themselves up in the sun and lit candles to highlight the dangers from them and open fires.

PHONE BOX BUSY—BUT NOT FOR CALLS!

USAGE of Flintham's telephone box on Main Street is on the increase, but not by people making phone calls. The kiosk houses a village library and the number of people either borrowing books or leaving news ones for others to read has increased recently.

ROOFTOP MADNESS ON DERELICT ISLAMIC SCHOOL

A PLEA has been made by the parish council at Flintham for immediate action by Rushcliffe Borough Council to make the site of the former Islamic School on the edge of the village secure following reports that at least one person has recently been seen on the roof of the now derelict building.

The site has long been a worry to both the parish council and many others in the village. An order from a Nottingham Magistrates' court that it had to be either demolished or made secure has never fully been implemented.

A spokesman for Rushcliffe Borough Council told the '*Parish News*' that their officers are currently fully investigating the matter and it could be they will return to the Magistrates' Court to point out the site is in fact not secure, a fact easily proved by the number of people who are seen either within or next to the derelict building.

Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service have expressed their concerns in regard to conditions at the former school that their officers have to deal with when answering calls for fires there, as they have done so in recent months. They have carried out a Health and Safety check on the premises.

ROBERT BAGS A THIRD PARLIAMENTARY WIN

AFTER his by-election victory in 2014 giving him a place for the first time, repeated in 2015, Tory candidate Robert Jenrick secured himself another spell in Parliament after his comfortable success in the General Election poll on June 8 when he polled a highly commendable 34,493 votes.

Flintham, following a reorganisation of the parliamentary boundaries, falls within the Newark Constituency and not Rushcliffe, and the victor was opposed by three other candidates being Xandra Arundel (UKIP), 1419 votes, Chantal Lee (Labour) 16,344 votes, and David Kenneth Watts (Lib Dem) 2786 votes.

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ALL VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS INVITED TO TAKE PART **FLINTHAM'S SEPTEMBERFEST GATHERING PACE**

AN appeal is being made for village residents to come forward to offer to be volunteers for the Septemberfest event taking place on Saturday September 16.

The event is being backed by Flintham Parish Council and lead officer for it, Coun. Mrs Sue Clayton, says there are numerous ways that volunteers could be involved and she hopes they will come forward to offer to help.

"We would welcome help to erect our new marquee in the days before the event and take it down on the Sunday as well as to help to set up the various activities on Saturday morning," says Sue.

There is a role for someone to judge the 'decorate a small cake' competition in the afternoon of the event as well as to judge the most appropriate protest badge made during the afternoon, ready for the 1960s evening disco, with a suggestion that there could be prizes for the most authentic 1960s outfits, and anything along those lines.

And Sue says there will be a need for helpers to put fillings in jacket potatoes and taking money. Sue can be contacted on 01636 525641. See the flyer with the newsletter for more details.

CHARITY CLASSICAL GUITAR RECITAL FOR FLINTHAM

THE classical guitarist Rob Johns will be performing at St Augustine's Church at Flintham on Saturday 15th July at 7.30 pm.

Rob is a captivating Classical Guitarist who has performed widely throughout the UK. He has also been heard on BBC Radio 3, Radio 4 and seen on BBC Television.

His repertoire is exciting and varied, combining meticulous stylish playing with energy and enthusiasm.

Tickets, which include a glass of wine/soft drink: £10 (adults), £6 (students and under 16's), £25 (family ticket: 2 adults and 2 children) are available from Iain Munro on 01636 526162.

Proceeds are to be divided equally between St Augustine's Church itself and the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust).

Your library visit

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE County Library Service's dates and times of the mobile library visits to Flintham for 2017.

No 16 Inholms Gardens from 12.10-12.25pm Telephone box on Main Street from 12.30-12.50pm
Coneygreys Spinney from 14.40-14.55pm on: July 12, Aug 9, Sep 6, Oct 4, Nov 1, Nov 29, Jan 24 2018

CAMBRIDGE TRIP A SUCCESS FOR MUSEUM

A COACH trip organised by the Flintham Museum to Cambridge was a big success and enjoyed by all those who went.

The trip was part of the Lottery grant awarded to the Museum and enabled those who wished to research in the Wren Library at Trinity College. Trinity owned land and houses in Flintham from 1546-1946.

A check was made on the Bursar's papers and the researchers found a number of items about Flintham, in the period 1918-1928.

Many of the group looked around the college and a number went on to visit the Fitzwilliam Museum, while some went to the Botanic Gardens. Others sauntered around the town soaking up its history.

DEFIBS FOR FLINTHAM? LOTTERY FUNDING BEING SOUGHT

THREE life saving defibrillators could be provided in Flintham, if an application for funding to the Big Lottery fund is successful.

The application has been made by the parish council and a decision on it is expected shortly. Residents have supported the parish council action and welcomed the decision of the council to proceed with attempts to get funding.