

FLINTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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The next meeting of the parish council takes place in the village hall on Monday October 30 and it will start at 6-30pm. Residents are welcome to attend and take part in the item at the end of the meeting which is aimed at allowing the public to put their points of view.

TWO CHURCHYARD TREES TO GO

Permission has been given by Rushcliffe Borough Council to remove two coniferous trees at the church. They are on the north side of the churchyard (at the back of the church).

One is a safety hazard because it may split and part fall on the church; the other is at the back of, and higher than the tower and is likely to cause problems to the building in the future.

Iain Munro, churchwarden, says they have had an offer of help for part of the cost but the church will still be left with a bill of about £1200.

"If anyone can help by offering a donation towards the cost – however small – it would be much appreciated" says Iain who asks anyone able to help to contact him on 01636 526162

POPPIES ON LAMP POSTS FOR ADDED REMEMBRANCE

THE Parish Council at Flintham has agreed to support the Royal British Legion's new scheme to highlight the annual period of Remembrance in November and will be displaying large plastic poppies on lamp posts to mark the national event remembering all those killed in the First and Second World Wars. It was agreed to order 20 of the 450mm wide poppies, fastened by tie-on, at £3 each.

Notts County Council has given the all clear for the use of lamp posts as long as not a sight problem for cars or too low for cyclists or pedestrians.

PASSPORT TO SUCCESS FOR SEPTEMBERFEST

ALTHOUGH the weather could have been kinder, Flintham's new major social event – Septemberfest – was a big success and attracted all-age visitors, from under-five's to over 90's!

The event made good use of the new marquee purchased for the village – and now available for hire – thanks to the Celebrate grant from the National Lottery awarded to the Parish Council and the Primary School which paid not only for the marquee, but also for many of the event's other expenditure. People attending the event were given a novel 'Passport' entry ticket for the free event which outlined all the attractions on offer to them.

Various stalls were set up in it during the afternoon session and in the evening it was used to host the 1960's Disco with live DJ Andrew Crawford. This included the first public appearance of the recently formed Flintham Community Choir who sang three songs in harmony including 'Imagine' by former Beatles star John Lennon.

During the afternoon music was provided by the Balderton Ukulele Band and there were 20 activities for all ages. Visitors were able to have a go at rigging a sailing boat or hook a duck, join in a keep fit or yoga class or listen to the ukulele band. There were stalls showing off the skills of Flintham artists and craftspeople, along with a number of unusual plants from the Flintham Open Gardens group. And visitors were invited to decorate a ginger biscuit, put at least six pieces in a giant jigsaw or guess the number of sweets in a jar, the weight of a cake and have a go at some old fashioned games. Two displays by the Dako Flying Angels gymnastic team – age range 20 years down to 11 years – were superb and drew thoroughly well earned acclaim from the many people who watched the performances of the 13-strong team of lads.

The evening activities saw the tempo of the day change when the marquee was transformed into a 1960s disco. Wine, soft drinks and Nottinghamshire beers were available as well as jacket potatoes and fillings.

The organising team, Sue Clayton, Debra Pennington and Roy Simpson thank everyone who provided tombola prizes and cakes for the afternoon event and everyone who helped during the lead up to the event, on the day and the day after. Work is beginning towards a 2018 Festival which will take place at a different location.

The winner of the lucky passport was 204. Please take your passport to the Boot & Shoe and claim 2 free main courses.

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FLINTHAM CRICKET SEASON ENDS

THE 2017 cricket season for Flintham's village club came to a close with a home win in their Gunn and Moore South Notts Cricket League game when Ravenshead were the visitors.

The game was reduced to 30 overs each side. Flintham made 207-4 while their opposition could only manage 136-7.

Flintham finished second in Division 7, with 10 wins from their 16 game, with 246 points, ten behind champions Wymeswold.

CRIME INCIDENTS

POLICE are investigating two crime incidents in Flintham during August. Criminal damage was caused to a door on Coneygreys Spinney on the 6th and wood was stolen from a derelict site on Inholms Road on the 14th.

CHURCH SERVICES

OCTOBER Service at St Augustine's, Flintham will be on Sunday 22nd October 2017 at 11am Harvest Festival Holy Communion (CW)

THANKS MICK

THE parish council has given a warm vote of thanks to local resident Mick Burn-Murdoch for his work in producing the Flintham Emergency Plan. Mick has decided, at least for the time being, to stand down as the main officer for the scheme.

Unsafe Gravestones in Flintham churchyard

FLINTHAM parish churchwardens have been told that a number of gravestones in the churchyard have been designated a health and safety risk and need to be either laid flat or refixed in a concrete base.

Churchwarden Iain Munro says the latter option costs £400 so unless, by the end of September he hears to the contrary from the relatives of the deceased, the gravestones will be laid flat — a cheaper option.

The gravestones involved bear the following names:

Harvey (south side). **Cliff** (south side). Unknown (cross on path to side gate of churchyard to the west of the church on the south side).

Bradwell (north side). **George Elizabeth** (north side). Unknown (marble cross to the east of the church on the north side.)

The north side is to the back of the church.

If any relatives would like a stone refixed and are prepared to pay or would like to pay for laying the stone flat please contact Iain Munro on 01636 526162

Folk Music evening at the Village Hall

FLINTHAM village hall is inviting visitors to join them for another evening of fine folk music.

The visiting quartet for the event on Friday October 20, will be The Froe, who create a unique blend of intricate sounds from fiddles, viola, cello, guitar, harmonium and vocals, while playing original self-penned music with traditional and classical influences.

Tickets include a light buffet and tables will be available café-style to allow visitors to share the evening with friends and neighbours.

Everyone interested is being asked to please book in advance.

A reasonably priced bar will be available.

This is the fifth folk concert supported by Notts County Council, Rushcliffe Borough Council and The Arts Council and the Village Hall is establishing a tradition of live music at both Flintham venues, St Augustine's Church and The Village Hall.

Tickets are £12.00 each, £9.50 concessions for students and under 18s.

Tickets from Iain Munro 01636 526162 or Mike Ansell 01636 525454. Postal bookings c/o Bramble Cottage, Main Street, Flintham, Notts. NG23 5LA

ISLAMIC SCHOOL — BOROUGH SEEK MEETING WITH OWNERS

Rushcliffe Borough Council is attempting to arrange a meeting with the owners of the former Islamic School at Flintham — the Madni Trust — in an attempt to get progress made on the future of the dilapidated former Officers mess building on the edge of the village. The parish council has been asking the Borough for action to deal with the current situation, both on the point of view of the untidy appearance of the building and on the safety aspects, particularly as youngsters are regularly seen inside the site. There are fears of them being injured if further sections of the building fall.

An order from a Nottingham Magistrates' court that the building had to be either demolished or made secure has never fully been implemented.