Yes, of course, there has been a website available for North Kilworth for a long time, which has been managed efficiently by Sharon on a voluntary basis, but there is now a new website initiated and supported by the Parish Council and can be found under www.northkilworthparishcouncil.gov.uk. It will provide a source of information about many aspects of village life, including details of the meetings and minutes of the Parish Council. You are invited to add content, the Parish Council welcomes content from parishioners and are keen to get the community pages updated and fully functional. The North Kilworth News will also now be available on this website rather than the old one.

There are plenty of opportunities advertised in this newsletter to book for events taking place over the forthcoming months. Some in November such as the Village Hall Annual Quiz on the 25th November and some in 2018 such as the Safari Supper in March and Kilworth House Theatre shows in June and September. Safari Supper is a great way to meet up with old friends and make new ones as well as supporting a local village charity. Not all participants even have to cook! All these village events rely on us getting involved and maybe bringing friends and family along as well. So it is particularly sad when we hear of an event that had to be cancelled for lack of interest, which is what happened with the Harvest Lunch that was scheduled to take place in St. Andrew’s Church in October. We keep being told that as we get older we must exercise our muscles because it’s ‘use it or lose it!’ Well this also applies to village amenities and events.

For 2018 there will be a North Kilworth charity calendar available to buy. Ken Chandler has painted 12 watercolour scenes in and around the village and these have been collated into a calendar with all profits to charity. Available soon!

When did the celebration of Guy Fawkes change its name to ‘Bonfire Night’? or do both names still run concurrently? Anyway if you are looking for an event to go to with fireworks and a bonfire, don’t forget that Kilworth Springs Golf Club have one on Friday 3rd November with free entry to all!

Sharon and Belinda
northkilworthnews@gmail.com

St. Andrew’s Church decorated for harvest festival
Dear Editors,

I have just walked up station road to see the lovely job Nick Otter, Mick Faulkner and Ian Duncombe have done to finish off the mile marker post at the end of Elmcroft Road, because I missed helping in the litter pick on the 7th October I decided to walk home picking up litter on the way.

The people who throw things out of car/lorry windows must have a death wish as I picked up fast food wrappers, coke cans, cigarette packets and wet wipes not to mention the condom that someone did not wish to take home with them. Some of this rubbish may have to come from the recycling vans but other rubbish is from people who don’t care about their environment and never will.

Rant over, keep up the good work fellow litter pickers, you are the people who do care.

Gaye Duncombe, Station road

Dear Editors,

I would like to say a big thank you to those who came along to my plant giveaway last month at Nether Hall and made such generous contributions to charity. We raised £82 and a cheque for this amount has been sent to Sightsavers. This charity works in over 30 poor countries to prevent avoidable blindness and treat common eye problems, particularly in children. At the moment the government is matching donations to Sightsavers pound for pound so our contributions will amount to £164 for the charity.

Elizabeth Brown

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The litter pick on Saturday 7th October yielded 6 bags of rubbish mostly from Pincet Lane - a big thank you to everyone who turned up to help.

Sue Otter

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Summary of Parish Council Meeting  12th October 2017

1. Items held over from the meeting held on 14th September 2017
Cranmer Lane Track – The Parish Council has contacted LCC and formally requested that the track ceases to be a highway and is adopted into the nature reserve with rights of access to be maintained. LCC are seeking advice from their legal department as to how best to approach a possible ‘stopping up’ of highway rights over the land.
Station Road Proposed Allotment Site – Six possible options for the land were discussed. Details of the options will be published in the North Kilworth News and parishioners will be invited to take part in a poll.

2. Question Time for Parishioners
Stuart Dainton asked the Parish Council about possible financial support in the future for the Village Power CIC which is currently inactive. It was agreed that the Parish Council will review the situation with the CIC in 12 months’ time.
A parishioner asked if there was any news on the marine development. The Parish Council will contact the developer and ask for an update.
A parishioner asked if the Parish Council could have access to the statistics for the speed camera since it was reinstated. The Parish Council will try to obtain some information.

3. Planning – to consider the following applications:
17/01596/TCA Works to trees – Asprey House, 2 Wash Pit Lane
Resolved: The Parish Council supports the application.
17/01314/TCA Works to trees (fell) – The Billet, Green Lane, North Kilworth – Approved.
17/01313/TCA Works to trees – North Kilworth Hall, Green Lane, North Kilworth – Approved.
17/01359/TCA Works to trees (fell) – Damson Cottage, Green Lane, North Kilworth – Approved.


5. To discuss crime in the village
Cllr Otter has registered the Neighbourhood Watch area and found 12 willing street co-ordinators. We need to find a local co-ordinator who is willing to manage the scheme. 200 Neighbourhood Watch stickers have been purchased and these will be given to the street co-ordinators to deliver. The Parish Council will purchase 10 metal A4 Neighbourhood Watch signs to be put up around the village. Cllr O’Hara is in the process of setting up a WhatsApp group.

6. Update on the campaign to install a pedestrian crossing
Cllr Otter has written to local MP Neil O’Brien to invite him to attend a meeting in the village hall before Christmas to discuss the matter.

7. To discuss Parish Council response to HDC Local Plan consultation
The consultation on Harborough District Council’s Local Plan runs until 5pm on 3rd November 2017. Parishioners are encouraged to submit their comments via the Harborough District Council website. The Clerk will circulate a draft response from the Parish Council for the Councillor’s to review.

8. To discuss the Kathleen Cheney Bequest
Cllr O’Hara attended a Sports Club Committee meeting in his capacity as Parish Council Representative on the committee. At the meeting, there was some discussion regarding extra changing facility requirements and a possible play area at the site. The Parish Council will explore this suggestion further.

9. Update and discussion regarding ongoing village maintenance
The hedge at the front of the village hall before Christmas to discuss the matter.

10. Update on potential Community Grant Committee
The creation of a potential committee is still under discussion, item deferred until the next meeting.

11. Update on the Floodlit Sports Area Sub-Committee
Cllr Otter will order a ‘Private Car Park’ sign for the parking area.

12. To receive correspondence
Letter from Mrs Root outlining the points she raised under agenda item 17-63 at the meeting held on 14th September 2017.

13. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 9th November 2017 in the Belgrave Village Hall at 7.45pm.
Neighbourhood Watch North Kilworth

We now have a Neighbourhood Watch site which you can join, it has not yet been verified by the Police but you can still join by signing in on the web site ourwatch.co.uk where you can enter your postcode and register to receive messages and post information.

We will shortly also have a village whatsapp group which anyone can join and use to send messages about any suspicious activity.

A number of people have so far agreed to be street level co-ordinators, they will be responsible for distributing Neighbourhood Watch and No Cold Callers door stickers and general information and making sure that everyone in their street is aware of the scheme and who to contact. Andy Cooper is the Lutterworth beat officer can be contacted by dialling 101 and his contact is 1261.

The Parish Council has ordered a number of Neighbourhood Watch lamp post signs which will be going up shortly.

We discussed the CCTV issue (mentioned in your last edition) with the local Police and while not quite dismissive they were not enthusiastic. In their view local villains are driving stolen cars or cars with false number plates and are therefore hard to trace. They also tend to wear hoodies and caps and facial recognition is difficult.

Their advice is to protect your own home and make it unattractive to a potential thief.

You may have noticed that the hedge which fronts the tennis courts car park has been cut down to make it difficult for people to hide behind. Last week this did not deter a group of four suspicious looking men driving a white van from lurking in there - they said they were waiting for their mother (!) but they left rather quickly when asked what they were doing there. A ‘Private Car Park’ sign will be going up shortly.

Sue Otter

I finished!

Many thanks to all who supported me in the Leicester Half Marathon. It seems an age ago now, but it was only last week, and I finished in 2hrs 36mins. Not the fastest of times I know, but better than I thought I’d do. In doing so I’ve raised over £300 for Hope Against Cancer, our local cancer charity, so I’m really pleased with the result.

David Helsby

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Briar Rose Close Allotment Site (formerly Gandy’s Roses)

The Parish Council owns this site which has been developed in three parcels. The first third was used to build affordable homes and the second to build commercial market homes. The third section remains undeveloped.

The original plan for this remaining third of the land was to create village allotments. However there is currently not enough evidence of demand and the site would require some Parish investment to tidy up the site, improve access and create allotments. This issue was discussed at the Parish Council meeting and several additional options were considered: there are pros and cons for each option and at present we only have an outline idea of the costs and potential income for each. The Council has nevertheless decided to seek village opinion before making a decision.

The options are:

1. **Community Allotments** - at least 10 allotments could be created. There needs to be investment to provide improved access, pathways, hard standing parking space and a water supply. Allotment holders would pay a small annual rent to cover water and maintenance costs. The Parish Council would need to fund the creation of the allotments and would receive a small annual sum from the allotment holders to cover maintenance. The Council would need to be convinced that there was enough demand for allotments to make this a practical option.

2. **Community Orchard** - the whole area would be cleared and planted with fruit trees - the Parish Council would need to fund the clearance and planting (there are grants available) and continue to manage the site and provide access. It could become a general amenity site (not a play area) with open public access.

3. **Wildlife area** - this would leave the land to lie fallow as a wildlife area for small mammals and birds. There would be small annual maintenance costs to the Parish for strimming and tidying.

4. **Sell the land** - the land could be sold either as a development site for housing or, if immediate local residents were interested as an extension to their gardens. Selling the land for housing development could raise a considerable sum for the village. it could pay for the pedestrian crossing for instance, BUT this is not a recognised development site in the Neighbourhood Plan and there are access issues to be resolved. Selling the land to local residents would solve a short term problem but not provide any amenity for the village.

5. **Build a solar farm** - there is enough space for a small solar development. There are a number of issues to clarify first including assurance from Western Power that access to their services is feasible. There are crowd funding possibilities and grants to cover construction and if it went ahead there would be a long term income of perhaps £10,000/year for the Parish.

In the interim the Parish Council could Rent the land free to a local farmer for a short defined period - this would essentially postpone a decision about the future while ensuring that the land was appropriately maintained in the meantime.

There has been a lengthy debate about this piece of land and the Parish Council now wants to make a decision and to seek the opinion of the village in doing so. We are proposing a two stage process, first there is a poll on the Parish Website [http://www.northkilworthparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.northkilworthparishcouncil.gov.uk) where you can cast your vote. If you prefer you can write to the Council care of the Parish Clerk (Mrs K Clarke, The Old Stables, Fir Tree Lane, Swinford, Lutterworth LE17 6BH) or speak to a local Councillor and let them know your views.

**The closing date for comments will be Thursday 30th November.** This issue will then be discussed at the December Parish Council meeting where members of the public will be welcome.

Sue Otter

North Kilworth 2018 Charity Calendar

On sale soon! Scenic views of North Kilworth from original watercolour paintings by Ken Chandler. All profits will be shared between St. Andrew’s Church upgrade fund and Mesothelioma UK (Mesothelioma is a cancer caused by asbestos).

Calendars will be on sale in Howkin’s Garage shop and from Liz Jones – 880262. Carolyn Sanders – 880769. Lyanne Treadgold – 882183 and Belinda McKee – 01455 557700 or email northkilworthnews@gmail.com

Signed prints of individual paintings will also be available to order from kenchandler39@icloud.com
“Changes and Chances.........”

There’s lots of change about! The nights are drawing in; the leaves are turning gold and dropping; there’s a definite nip in the air. It’s a reminder to me that nothing in life ever stays still – we are always in a state of change. Some people find this a hard notion and wish everything could stay the same. Others are excited by new possibilities. I imagine many of us are caught somewhere in between, lamenting things that we are losing but looking forward to what could happen in the future.

In church life, too, things are changing. In our benefice of 11 churches we said farewell to Canon Chris Oxley and his wife Paula at the end of October. With fewer clergy in the team, we now enter a new landscape of change, as we try to work out what we can be and do as church communities in today’s age. This is a challenge, but also an opportunity. There are things perhaps that must be lost but other things that may grow as we pull together as God’s people in our communities.

There’s a lovely prayer which speaks of change, often used in the service of Compline, a service said in the evening before bedtime:

*Be present, O merciful Lord, and protect us through the silent hours of this night,*

*so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world,*

*may rest on your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Change is a part of life. We cannot prevent things from changing in and around us. Indeed, without the changing of the seasons and the dying and dropping of the leaves in Autumn, the new life of Spring would not come. God’s changelessness is seen, not in a desire to stop things changing, but in a desire to reach out to us with love and company through all the changes and chances of our lives. This wonderful prayer is a reminder that we are never alone in life – a reminder that although change is inevitable, God is there with us. God is there with us, holding our hands when the change we face feels overwhelming, and there dancing with us when we are ready to face and take hold of new possibilities.

Rev’d Emma Davies

From the Registers.....

Baptism: Molly Ann Huckerby on 17th September at Gilmorton
Edie Grace Susie Henderson on 24th September at Gilmorton

Funeral: Jack Rollason aged 94 years on 27th September at Gilmorton

Buggy Service at All Saints Church Gilmorton

Short service, play and chat with a cuppa for all pre-school children, parents and carers
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2nd November 16th November 30th November 14th December

More details from
Rev’d Emma: emma.davies1@sky.com 01455 556573
Rev’d Alison: ajiliffe@gmail.com 01858 881248

All Welcome

Church Matters....

All enquiries regarding Church matters should be directed to:-

The Rev’d Emma Davies, The Vicarage, 5 Church Lane, Gilmorton. Telephone: 01455 556573; email emma.davies1@skynet.com

The Rev’d Alison Iliffe, The Rectory, 21 Dag lane, North Kilworth. Telephone: 01858 881248; email: ajiliffe@gmail.com

For Shawell:
The Rev’d Canon Brian Davis, Telephone: 01858 431843; email: Revbdavis@aol.com

Soup Lunch

Many thanks to all who attended the soup lunch on 17th October. We raised £90 which has been sent to “Step Together”, a charity which helps young people leaving care or the criminal justice system to reintegrate into society by encouraging volunteering.

Next month’s lunch will be on Tuesday 21 November, 12.30-1.30pm in church.
# Avon-Swift Group Church Services ~ November 2017

## Worship every week:
- **Wednesdays**: 9am at South Kilworth: ½ hour simple said Eucharist
- **Thursdays**: 5 pm at Gilmorton: quiet said service of Evening Prayer

### Wednesday 1st November
- **7.30 pm**: Shawell, Compline.. the beautiful service of Night Prayer
- **(This is now monthly, on the 1st Wednesday of each month.)**

### Saturday 4th November
- **4.00 pm**: Peatling Parva, All Souls’ Service – to remember loved ones who have died
- **The Team**

### Sunday 5th November
- **All Saints’ Sunday**
- **Reading for Peace and Justice**: Isaiah 9.1-6; Phil.4: 6-9; Matt. 5: 43-end

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### Sunday 12th November
- **Remembrance Sunday**
- **Reading**: Zeph. 1: 7, 12-18; 1 Thess. 5: 1-11; Matt. 25: 14-30

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- **2nd Sunday before Advent**

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- **The Feast of Christ the King**

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### Tuesday 28th November
- **9.30 am** Gilmorton School Holy Communion in church
- **2.30 pm** North Kilworth School Holy Communion in church

### And into December...

#### Sunday 3rd December
- **1st Sunday of Advent**
- **Reading**: Isaiah 64: 1-9; 1 Cor.1: 3-9; Mark 13: 24-37

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Goodbye, and Thank You!

As we prepare to leave Swinford in November, we wanted to take this opportunity to say “Goodbye” and to thank all those who have been so supportive and encouraging to us during the six years we have been with you. We shall leave here with many happy memories of people we have come to know and to love.

After her twelve and a half years as a prison chaplain, most recently at HMP Onley, Bishop Martyn has asked Paula to become House-for-Duty priest-in-charge of Foxton, with Gumley and Laughton. Paula is looking forward very much to returning to parish ministry.

After thirty-eight and a half years of parish ministry, Chris is having a break! Some time before Easter next year, he will receive Permission to officiate and then the Bishop and others will be exploring with him how he can best continue to serve in the diocese.

Every blessing,
Chris and Paula

Service of Commemoration of the Departed

on Saturday 4th November at 4.00pm
in St Andrew’s Church, Peatling Parva.

We shall be giving thanks for the life of our departed loved ones, and praying for all those who have died, and for all who mourn their loss.

We warmly invite you, with your family and friends, to join us for this service.

If you would like a departed loved one remembered by name in the service please contact Anita Higginson on 0116 2478 240 or higginsons@talk21.com

I am absolutely sure that not even death or life can separate us from God’s love.

Not even angels or demons, not even the highest places or the lowest, or anything else in all creation can do that.

Romans 8:38 – 39

Harvest Thanksgiving

The School held its Harvest Thanksgiving on Friday 13th and the church was beautifully decorated for that service and the parish Harvest celebration on 15th. We sent a generous amount of donated food to the Lutterworth Food Bank, together with a cash donation. Thank you for all your support.

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The 2018 golf match between North and South Kilworth will take place on Friday June 15th, so please put the date in your diary. It is hoped to start at 3.30, again going off the 1st and 10th tees. This will ensure that we do not finish too late. The format will follow the same as this year and again non playing family members will be very welcome to join us for supper.
Kilworth House Theatre 2018

As in previous years I have been able to make a corporate village booking for the 2018 summer productions at Kilworth House Theatre. Over 100 villagers, friends and family went to each of the productions earlier this year so there was a huge village outing to each show. Any complementary tickets that I am given are converted to cash and donated to the Village Hall so the village as a whole benefits from the evening. I was able to donate £240 this year.

I have provisionally booked tickets for the production of 'Guys and Dolls' on Saturday 16th June 7.30pm. Tickets are £40 each. No payment or firm commitment will be needed until January but I do need to have provisional numbers by Dec 16th so that Kilworth House Theatre can re allocate the tickets if we do not require them.

I have also reserved tickets for 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat' on Saturday 1st September. Tickets are £40 each. I do not need firm numbers or payment for this show until April but if you think that you may want tickets let me know asap. This will enable me to reserve more tickets if necessary.

The booking of Corporate tickets has changed slightly this year in that rows F G H and J in the centre aisle are not available. The number of centre aisle seats above these rows is therefore limited. However views from all seats are good. I also have row D centre aisle.

I will allocate the tickets for both shows on a first come first served basis, but please specify if you would prefer to be lower down on row D. In addition, I will probably be able to get front row seats and carers seats if you let me know asap.

If you have expressed an interest I will contact you in the New Year informing you of when I need firm numbers and payment.

Please e mail me asap or before Dec 16th if you require tickets.

Julie Fish (juliefish56@aol.com)

Washpit Fencing

The washpit fencing has been replaced and is a great improvement, a big thank you to Charlie Roberson for a job well done.
St. Andrew’s C of E Primary School
by St. Andrew’s Reporters Eddie and Toby

Year 5 and 6 meet the Brownlee brothers!
On Friday the 29/09/2017 year 5 and 6 went on a school trip to Charnwood College for a Mini-triathlon, organised by the Brownlee Foundation. First we did swimming where we did three sides of the swimming pool, and to our surprise we met Jonnie Brownlee! Next we put our free T-shirts on and went on the bikes provided. As our last event we ran 300m to the finish line. However the best bit of the day was yet to come, as we saw Alistar Brownlee who on request had photo taken with and signed all of our T-shirts. We were very excited!

Gardening club
On Thursday the 28th September gardening club had a pleasant shock when they discovered how big their marrows and pumpkins had grown! They are currently making a vegetable bed in some donated tractor tyres. In the beds they’re growing: artichoke, potatoes, pumpkins, marrow and a variety of flowers.

Harvest Festival
On Friday morning on the 13th of October all of our classes went to St Andrew’s Church to celebrate Harvest Festival. We had a service by Reverend Alison and Emma and then sang lots of songs. We all brought in a donation for the Lutterworth Food Bank. Many children from the school choir sang solos which sounded lovely.

Macmillan Coffee Morning 29th September
Thank you to everyone who supported this event in any way, we raised £1680 this year. Hope to see you all on Friday 28th September 2018.
Liz Sanders
**Green fingers**

The weather has soon changed from the last of the longish sunny days to windy and rainy conditions with a noticeable difference in temperatures. Leaves are falling rapidly now, and tender plants will need protection in greenhouses, sheltered spots or just by wrapping them protecting them from frost, gales and freezing rains. Also winter can be tough for those birds, so keep water and food supplies topped up well.

**Top Ten Tips for November:**

1. Keep on top of leaf clearance especially on lawns, ponds and beds.
2. Raise containers that are sat on the floor, onto pot feet to stop water logging.
3. Plant out winter bedding.
4. For insulation on outdoor containers and pots, bubble wrap works well.
5. Plant tulip bulbs for next spring.
6. Prune roses to help stop wind rock.
7. Cover Brassicas with netting if you have pigeon problems.
8. To help stop moth damage on fruit trees, use grease bands around the trunks of the trees.
9. Put out bird food and water to encourage winter birds into the garden.
10. Good time of year for seasonal bonfires, where you are allowed, dispose of your excess debris unfit for composting.

I hope these tips help you to keep on top of your garden through November if you would like any help with your jobs or future work, please see my attached advert below and my full details on this page.

*If you get in contact via this advert I will apply a Autumn / Winter 20% discount to any work*

Please ring me for a no obligation quote on 07525 064 220. I'm only in the village and always happy to help. Many Thanks, Thomas Wright.

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**Any Spare Holly?**

Or fir or leylandii? I am a flower arranger and would be very grateful for donations of holly, fir and leylandii for my Christmas demonstrations. I would be happy to collect or even cut the material. Please contact me on my mobile 07976515793 or the house telephone is 01858 880747 (an answer machine will take messages if we are not there). Many thanks Wendy Chamberlain

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**North Kilworth Women’s Institute**

The October meeting was well attended to hear Colleen Powell tell us all about her work rescuing hedgehogs. Although the hedgehog population in Leicestershire seems to be stable, the number of sick and injured hogs (due to use of pesticides and abandoned litter in most cases) remains. We were given an insight into the dedicated work of Leicestershire Hedgehog Rescue and shown many fascinating photographs (as well as a real life hog, which had members oohing and aahing!!)

Thanks to the ladies who provided Tea, biscuits, flowers and raffle.

Next meeting is November 16th - this is our faith supper and members are asked to bring a contribution to the food.

Do hope to see all our members and guests there and any new members are always very welcome on 3rd Thursdays in the Village Hall @ 7.30.

**St Andrews Church Flower Rota**

Volunteers wishing to add their names to the Flower Rota will be heartily welcomed. Please contact Jo Guilfoyle 881124 or Elizabeth Harrison 881255. Many thanks

**North Kilworth Reading Group**

The next meeting of the North Kilworth Reading Group is on Thursday 23rd November at 8.00pm, venue tbc.

As September’s meeting was cancelled, the October book will be held over till November, so the book under discussion is *Father and Son* by Edmund Gosse. First published anonymously in 1907, this sensitive and very moving autobiography follows the young life of Edmund as he is brought up by a strictly religious parent (Plymouth Brethren) in stifling isolation and as he starts to explore and confront the boundaries of his life. Although there have been many questions as to how accurate a portrayal the book is of his early life and its damming portrayal of Edmund’s eminent father – Philip Henry Gosse, the Victorian naturalist and marine biologist – it is none the less a fascinating glimpse of a life dominated by a rigid interpretation of Christianity.

New members always welcome.

**North Kilworth Bowls Club**

The bowling season has now finished and the ‘winter works’ undertaken to set the green up ready for the start of the 2018 season. Hopefully the weather conditions during the winter will be such that it emerges in the spring with very few problems.

Our Presentation Night and Dinner takes place in the clubhouse on November 11th and is followed on November 22nd by the AGM when officers for the next season will be appointed. After that formal business the first of our social events will be the Xmas Raffle draw preceded by a few games of bingo. The first prize for our Xmas Raffle is £100 so it is well worthwhile buying a few tickets from any club member and, if you are free, coming along on December 16th at 7:30 pm. The management committee are now planning the other winter social events and we hope, when the dates are released (watch this space), that any villagers who wish to join us do not feel constrained in any way from coming along. We look forward to welcoming members, guests and anyone else who is looking for some Saturday night entertainment.

Don't forget the Clubhouse (with a re-equipped kitchen) is available if you are planning any event and that there is a bar which can be opened if required. Speak to any Committee member if you have any plans afoot.

Contact phone numbers Reg Tattersall 01455 209126, Victor Hancock 01858 880610, Alan Silvey 01858

For news of our club and all our fixtures and social events check our website or Twitter feed.

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**Millennium Green Trust**

On Sunday 8th October the North Kilworth Millennium Green Trust organised a family nature afternoon to promote the wildlife and habitat of the Green. It was a fantastic afternoon which was very well supported by the village.

The Environment Partnership were very generous in their time to support the activities which included a quiz, tree identification, and a badger talk. The highlight was the children building a giant bug hotel – so please go take a look and see what has moved in! Thanks very much to Charlie Roberson for kindly constructing for us.

We were very lucky to have such lovely weather and we finished off with cake, cider and a game of conkers.

Overall the event was a great success, a total of £170 was raised, and it was brilliant to see so many villagers socialising and enjoying the Green.

We will be holding another event in April, and it would be great to see everyone there. Watch this space for news of the activities.

Improvements and maintenance of the Millennium Green are completely paid for through fundraising. A big part of this is our Monthly Club, which includes a raffle with a Christmas prize of £500 and monthly prizes of £50 and £25. We would love to expand this and invite new members to join. If you are interested in winning some money whilst supporting the Green, please contact Tom on tomshuff1@gmail.com or Kate katelamb79@hotmail.co.uk for more details to join.

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**The Millennium Green Club.**

For new members it only costs £5 per month with a chance of winning up to £1100 through the year. Monthly prizes are £50 and £25 with an additional annual Christmas prize of £500. If you would like to join please contact any of the trustees; Stephen O’Hara, John Green, Sue Dunford, Tom Shuff, Vince Treadgold, Pat Knight, David Gadsden, Colin Brice or Kate Roberson.

**Winners as follows:**

- May 17 1st Prize - Jude Hardwick
- May 17 2nd Prize - Andy & Lynn Wall
- Jun 17 1st Prize - Stephen O’Hara
- Jun 17 2nd Prize - Peter Morgan
- Jul 17 1st Prize – Audrey Havercroft
- Jul 17 2nd Prize - Anthony Ernest
- Aug 17 1st Prize - David & Carolyn Sanders
- Aug 17 2nd Prize - Ken Chandler

**Dates for the diary:**

- Working Party on the 11th November 2017 from 9:30 to 12:30. Main task that day is to clear the main stream please wear suitable clothing and footwear. All welcome.
- Millennium Green BBQ is booked for the 23rd June 2018

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**SAFARI SUPPER - Saturday 10th March 2018**

*We’re off on safari again! The Floodlit Sports Association are organising the 2018 Safari Supper. To book your place please contact: Lyanne Treadgold, 882183, lyanne.treadgold@gmail.com or Sally Ellis, 881782, clansad@btinternet.com*

If you haven’t done it before or are new to the village it’s a great way to get to know people! Here is how it works.

Meet at the Village Hall to buy your drinks to take with you for the evening and find out where you are going for your starter. Don’t worry if you don’t know anyone, we will introduce you to your hosts and maps of the village will be available if you need them.

Enjoy your starter and find out where you are going for your main

Enjoy your main and find out where you are going for your dessert

After dessert you head back to the Village Hall for coffee, drinks, liquors and music! We need hosts to cook either a starter, main or dessert catering for 8 people but not everyone needs to cook. If it’s your first year of the Safari Supper and you would prefer not to cook let us know.

When booking your place please let us know if you have any dietary requirements and, if you are happy to cook, let us know which course you would prefer to do. This is a great evening with usually 90 - 100 people taking part but there is no limit. The funds raised for the Safari Supper go towards the upkeep of the children’s playground in the village and the floodlit tennis courts.

We need final figures by the first week in January so we can start organising things.
Useful Contacts:

Belgrave Village Hall.
Contact Bunty Emery on 01858 880342
abemery@btinternet.com

North Kilworth Bowls Club.
Contact Reg Tattersall 01455 209126
reg.tatt@gmx.com

North Kilworth Parish Council.
Councillor John Green.
northkilworthpc@hotmail.co.uk

St Andrew’s Church
The Rev’d Emma Davies, 01455 556573

St Andrews Church of England Primary School
01858 880430

PC Beat Officer, Lutterworth: PC Andy Cooper Tel:101

Village Power CIC.
Contact Stuart Dainton. 01858 881431
info@villagepowercic@gmail.com

Millennium Green Committee.
Contact Stephen O’Hara on 881052
stephen@elmhurstenergy.co.uk

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Dates for your Diary

November
Thursday 9th - Parish Council Meeting, Belgrave Village Hall 7.45pm
Saturday 11th - Millennium Green Working Party 9.30-12.30 all Welcome
Tuesday 21st - Soup Lunch, St. Andrew’s Church 12.30 - 1.30
Saturday 25th - Village hall Quiz, 7.30pm. See advert above for details

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March
Saturday 10th - Safari Supper see page 15 for details

June
Friday 15th - Golf Match North V. South. See page 10 for details

Saturday 16th - Kilworth House Theatre, ‘Guys and Dolls’ see page 11 for details
Saturday 23rd - Millennium Green BBQ. Details to follow

September
Saturday 1st - Kilworth House Theatre, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat, see page 11 for details.

Dates for your Diary
Whist Drive 2 pm Village Hall
November 20th
November 27th December 18th

If you have any dates to add to our diary, please let us know!