GLAPTHORN VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2017

CHURCH www.glapthornchurch.org.uk

Services are every Sunday at 9.15 am. The Ist Sunday is Morning Prayer, the 2nd Sunday Holy Communion, the 3rd Sunday Informal Service for all ages, and the 4th Sunday Holy Communion.

Please note, however, that this Sunday, 10 September there will be a service of Morning Prayer, not Holy Communion.

Harvest Festival will be at **6pm** on **Sunday, 24 September**, followed by a produce auction and 'bring and share' supper in the Village Hall. Tins and dry goods will be given to the Corby Food Bank afterwards.

Fundraising

A **huge** thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to the success of the Summer Celebration weekend over the August Bank Holiday, when we enjoyed flowers in the church, a fete in the Readings' garden, hog roast, teas in the Village Hall and an evening garden stroll in three village gardens, in wonderful late summer weather. £2,000 was raised for church funds, and £460 for Crohn's and Colitis UK. A great result and a most enjoyable weekend.

Ride and Stride

It's that time of year again. The sponsored **Ride and Stride** in aid of the Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust is this **Saturday, 9 September, 10-6**. The church will be manned all day for visitors. So why not get on your bike!

Welcome to the McGuire family at Hope Cottage - Patrick, Tiffany and son Thomas.

GLAPTHORN C of E SCHOOL www.glapthornschool.ik.uk

New Beginnings!

Tuesday, 5th September saw some very excited children (and teachers!) returning to school after the summer break, and some starting school for the very first time.

We welcome some new members of staff – Mr Tom Ormston, who teaches years five and six, Mrs Julie Mayes, who runs breakfast Club and is also a Lunchtime supervisor, and Mrs Alison Clarke who is our Cleaner-In-Charge, Breakfast Club assistant and Lunchtime Supervisor. And we welcome back Mrs Zoe Taggart and Miss Louise Gregory from Maternity Leave; they will be job sharing, teaching our Reception Class.

Back in June, Glapthorn CE Primary entered into a 'Memorandum of Agreement' with the Rutland Learning Trust (RLT), whose guidance and support have been invaluable during the transition between Katherine Towns leaving and Lou Coulthard becoming as Head of School.

Having taught at Glapthorn for eleven years, and played a key part in the development of our unique creative Curriculum as Associate Head over the past three years, Lou is now thrilled to take on the role of Head of School.

In partnership with RLT, Glapthorn CE Primary strives for excellence, offering opportunity for all, through a broad and balanced creative curriculum. Having got off to a flying start, we look forward to many varied and exciting learning experiences throughout the Autumn Term.

GLAPTHORN GARDENERS' ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

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All the allotment plots are taken.

Thanks to Chris and Monica Crosby we have some lovely manure in our manure bin,

Graham, Chris and Monica who have tidied up the waste compost taken from the plots and put up some bags – much better. And thank you to everyone who has taken a turn on the grass cutting rota, with a special thanks to Graham who has worked hard on grass cutting the paths. For more information please contact: Heather Ball: 01832 273601 or 07962 085 720.

GLAPTHORN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE www.glapthorn.org.uk

Our WI is doing well with a good membership.

We will be having our AGM in October and the speaker for our November meeting is Donalulu who runs a local cooking business. As usual, we plan to have our Christmas Meeting in Ashton where we will have a festive meal.

For more information about Glapthorn WI please contact either Cherrill Sands on 01832 226025 or Heather Ball Ball771@btinternet.com 01832 273601 or 07962 085 720.

SOUTHWICK AND GLAPTHORN FLOWER SHOW

The show held at Southwick on 15 July was a great success. The sun shone, the entries were up substantially, and a good time was had by all. Thank you to everyone who took part.

GLAPTHORN VILLAGE HALL www.glapthorn.org.uk

What a fabulous few months the GVH committee has had! A new double fire door has been installed, a brand new kitchen has been installed with brand new equipment including kettle, microwave, plate warmer & fridge freezer; the Kitchen has also had a brand new floor. The kitchen and the entrance hall have had a new lick of paint and a new combination lock has been fitted to the door for ease of access. We have also introduced a new on-line booking system with phone support.

On-line booking is available through the Glapthorn website: www.glapthorn.org.uk or by email on glapthornvhbooking@gmail.com

A massive thank you for all the sponsors of these worthy projects. The kitchen sponsors are Augean and Grantscape, Parish Council, Royal Oak and Waitrose. We also want to say a big thank you to Alan Brown for doing a deep clean of the oven and dishwasher.

Thank you to Tina Stone, who has left us as caretaker, and a massive thank you to Tracey Kerr & John Melhuish who are stepping down/retiring this year as secretary and treasurer. The position of treasurer is not yet filled. If anyone would like to join the Village Hall Committee as just a member, or to take on the role of treasurer you are most welcome. Please call Nick Knowles on 07802 736192.

I would also like to say a special thank you to Roger and Shindo for all their extra effort in seeing the kitchen and fire doors projects completed so quickly and hosting the Kitchen 'thank you' drinks party. Well done guys!

GLAPTHORN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN www.glapthorn.org.uk

The **Neighbourhood Plan** has reached an important stage. The Parish Council has adopted it for consultation and the Draft Plan is now out for comments from statutory consultees such as the Environment Agency, the utilities and the Highways Authority (NCC).

A short version has been distributed to every household in the Parish so Glapthorn residents can have their say. The full plan is available on the Parish Council web site (glapthorn.org.uk) together with information on how to respond as well other background information.

The consultation period runs for 8 weeks to **13th October 2017**. The Neighbourhood Planning Group welcomes comments about what people do like as well as what they don't like in the Draft Plan because it must properly reflect the needs and aspirations of the community of Glapthorn. There

will be a public forum in late October to have an open discussion on what has emerged from these consultations and what changes should be made to the Draft Plan. Please take this opportunity to look carefully at the Draft Plan and give your view on what is best for Glapthorn.

GLAPTHORN PARISH COUNCIL www.glapthorn.org.uk

Communication

Information relating to the Parish Council and other Glapthorn organisations can be found on the village website at www.glapthorn.org.uk. If you would like to receive notifications, as and when new information is posted, find us on Facebook.

New Parish Councillors

In July, the council thanked Bob Stone and Nerissa Buchanan (formerly Nerissa Belcher); for their service to the community; as both stood down from the council. Nerissa had served for over five years and Bob had been a councillor for nearly twelve years.

Mike Newton and Ian Hood were duly co-opted to serve as the new Parish Councillors.

Support for the Village Hall

As the Parish Council does not itself provide or manage the village hall, it has wide powers to help any other person or body in doing so. These include the provision of funds.

Recently, the Parish Council has agreed to support the Glapthorn Village Hall in a number of ways:

- To accept an offer from Gigaclear for the installation of broadband in the Village Hall, including 12 months rental all for free. (The Parish Council will take responsibility for year two and determine whether the service is worthy of continuation or not).
- The council also agreed to support the new kitchen project with the purchase of catering equipment, as well as provide an annual grant to the Village Hall towards their running costs.
- The council will shortly be purchasing a projector and screen for use at public meetings and other events. The equipment will also be available for use at the village hall by other organisations.

Tresham Garden Village

There will be a presentation on the new Tresham Garden Village (formerly Deenethorpe Airfield), by Mark Coombs, resident agent at the Estate Office, Deene Park on 21st September. The talk will start at 7.00pm immediately before the Parish Council meeting. Residents from neighbouring Cotterstock have also been invited to attend.

Procurement of Recreational Land

Negotiations to acquire land behind Glapthorn School for both village and school recreational use are making progress. Expect more news next quarter.

Planning Applications

Please see Parish Council minutes of meetings, at www.glapthorn.org.uk, for details.

Street Lights

The council has now placed an order for replacing the street lights with LED lamps. The major benefit will be the significant saving in energy and maintenance bills. Work is expected to take place late September/early October with minimum disruption. More information will be made available through the village website

Contact

You may contact the Parish Council through one of the Parish Councillors, details on the village notice board; or through the Clerk to the Parish Council, Alan Tresadern on 01832 275281 or email parish.clerk@glapthorn.org.uk

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