

June-July 2018  
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# Kilsby Kronickle

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[www.kilsbyvillage.co.uk](http://www.kilsbyvillage.co.uk)

## Dates for your Diary

### June

#### Saturday 2nd June

Garden Association coach trip

#### Tuesday 5th June

Parish Council meeting

#### Thursday 7th June

Walking Group walk

#### Sunday 10th June

Open Gardens and Wheelbarrow competition.

Teas in Village Hall

#### Thursday 14th June

WI Trip to Blenheim

#### Saturday 16th June

Flood awareness drop in event

#### Sunday 17th June

Walking Group walk

#### Wednesday 20th June

Deadline for Garden Competition

#### Thursday 21st June

Messy Church

#### Thursday 28th June

History Society Walk

#### Friday 29th June

Strawberry and Wine Evening

### July

#### Thursday 5th July

Messy Church picnic

Walking Group walk

#### Sunday 8th July

Deadline for Drawing Competition

#### Saturday 14th July

Pre-school Barn Dance

#### Sunday 15th July

Walking Group walk

#### Tuesday 17th July

Coffee Morning



The lovely photograph above of a thatcher at work on one of the roofs in Kilsby was taken and sent in to us by Rosemary Gibbs. We'd love to receive more pictures readers have taken, and we have also launched a competition for children to do a drawing or painting based on Kilsby (details are on page 18).

The Parish Council's report includes reference to the village's entry to the Best Village in Northamptonshire competition. The judges came to look at the village and meet residents on 8th May and everywhere looked lovely in the spring sunshine and after the recent litter pick. The judges were here for more than two hours and chatted to representatives of many village groups as they walked around, visiting the Village Hall, Recreation Ground, church and chapel, school and pre-school, and the village shop. We will find out in July how we have fared in the competition.

As we say goodbye to our two PCSOs, Les and Duncan, (see report on page 3) we would like to add our thanks to those of the Parish Council for all the support they have given the village. They will be missed.

We would also like to take this opportunity of thanking the Clerk to the Parish Council, Catherine Camp, who is leaving her post in June, for all the help and support she has given Kronickle over the last ten years. She will also be missed and we wish her well for the future.

It is good to read (page 18) about how well our Community Shop is doing but more volunteers are needed to help staff it. Other opportunities to volunteer highlighted in this edition are school governorships, the chance to become village Flood Warden, and to serve as a Parish Councillor. More deliverers are also needed for the Churches' Newsletter. So if you have some time free there are plenty of things in the village which need your help.

This edition also contains all the usual information about forthcoming events in the village, including the Open Gardens and the Wheelbarrow Competition (there is still time to enter this). There are also some lovely photographs from the recent May Fayre on page 27, and news of a project by the Guides to create a mosaic on the side of the shop, which we look forward to seeing.

We hope that the sun continues to shine (with rain for the gardens overnight) and that all our readers have a very enjoyable summer.

## KILSBY PARISH COUNCIL COUNCILLORS (from May 2018)

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1 VACANCY

**BURIALS** - Please contact Helen Smedley, 5 The Lawns, Kilsby, Tel: 01788 822241, hmedley@talktalk.net

**HIGHWAY WARDEN** - Howard Gibbs, 11 Fishers Close, 01788 824718

**District Councillors:** Catherine Lomax, 24 Castle Mound, Barby, Rugby CV23 8TN, Tel: 01788 890939  
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Website [www.kilsbyvillage.co.uk](http://www.kilsbyvillage.co.uk)

## KILSBY PARISH COUNCIL

(From Councillor Bob Gent, Tel: 823528 and the Parish Clerk [parishcouncil@kilsbyvillage.co.uk](mailto:parishcouncil@kilsbyvillage.co.uk)  
Tel: 891184)

The next parish council meeting will be held on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> JUNE** 2018 at 7.30 pm in Kilsby Village Hall. Members of the Parish are welcome to attend, and the first 20 minutes of the meeting will be open for public participation. If you have a concern which you would like to make the Parish Councillors aware of, then come along and let them know about it. It may not be possible to provide an answer immediately, but the matter can be put on the agenda for the following meeting. This will be the last meeting with our current Parish Clerk, Catherine Camp, who is resigning at the end of June. She is leaving after ten very happy and rewarding years, and hopes that the Parish Council can recruit a suitable successor to provide a seamless handover.

Councillor Charles Smedley was re-elected as Chairman of the Parish Council at the Annual Meeting in May, with Councillor Jenny Fisher continuing to act as Vice-Chair. Councillor Richard Page will continue to oversee the finances of the parish council.

### VACANCY FOR A PARISH COUNCILLOR

We still have **ONE** vacant seat on the Parish Council. Please consider whether you might be able to take on the role. Call the Clerk on 01788 891184 leaving your name and email address, or email her on [parishcouncil@kilsbyvillage.co.uk](mailto:parishcouncil@kilsbyvillage.co.uk) and she will send you some more information about the role, so that you can decide if it is for you.

### POLICING

Mid-way through last year the police announced that they would no longer be match-funding the costs of the two PCSOs who provide police presence for Crick, Kilsby and DIRFT. Sponsors were told that they would need to find the full cost of £74450 to cover the two PCSOs should they wish to continue to take part in the scheme.

After a series of meetings and negotiations DIRFT agreed to contribute £60K towards the cost, with Kilsby paying £6200 and Crick making up the difference.

**Since the Annual Parish Meeting was held it has been resolved to withdraw Kilsby Parish Council from the contract negotiations for the provision of sponsored PCSOs. At the heart of this decision is the confidence that Kilsby will receive a high standard of policing from the Neighbourhood Beat Team, without additional cost. As guardian of the public purse the Parish**

**Council intends to invest the monies released by withdrawal from this contract into other initiatives that will strengthen the weave of the social fabric of Kilsby in a tangible and effective way; whilst enjoying the continued provision of policing from our neighbourhood team who will work with us to keep Kilsby a safe place to live.**

The Parish Council would like to thank PCSOs Les Conopo and Duncan Cumming for their work on behalf of the village of Kilsby which has been much appreciated.

### FLOODING RISK

Following concern over flooding from the A361 development site, Kilsby PC signed up to NCC Flood warden scheme which includes an independent survey of all water courses in the parish by a Structural Engineer. See page 25 for details of an event on Saturday 16th June in the Village Hall, where you can find out about the flood risk survey, see local flood maps, and share your concerns about flooding.

**We still need someone in the village to act as 'Flood Warden'.** Please contact the Clerk if you would be willing to take on this role.

### PLEASE SCOOP AFTER YOUR DOG

The parish has taken part in an initiative to reduce dog fouling by spraying deposits with fluorescent paint. Louise Hartwell and Elaine Morrice have agreed to take on this task. Most of the village is fairly clean, but please do not hang up bags of 'poo' on fences or trees but dispose of it properly and make sure if anyone different is walking your dog, they are fully equipped with bags to pick up after them. **(See also Eds. Note on page 20)**

### BEST VILLAGE COMPETITION

Thanks to Councillor Sarah Stainton for arranging for Kilsby to enter the Best Village competition. The judges visited at the beginning of May, and their decision is awaited.

### MOWING

As reported last time, the grass mowing contracts for the highway verges in the village has been awarded to Groundscape and Steve Hartwell is cutting the grass in the Cemetery and Recreation Ground. Councillor Richard Thompson (Tel 822035) is overseeing the mowing, so please let him know of any problems.

### HEALTH AND WELL-BEING WEEK 14-20TH MAY

The Parish Council hopes that all that took part in the various events over the week enjoyed them. Thanks to Councillor Kirtley-Paine for organising the events and to all those who helped, and took part.

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### POTHoles

All members of the public can report potholes via [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor) or if you would rather speak to a person, then phone 0300 126 1000 between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm, or 07000 782112, if it is an emergency, outside of these hours.

### GRANTScape COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

This fund had £6422.75 to distribute to village organisations. Grants were awarded as follows:-

**Kilsby Poors Land Charity** was awarded £500 to install a pedestrian gate to allow access into the Jubilee Plantation, which is located on the east of A5 just before the railway line. This area of woodland can be used by anyone in the village.

**The Village Hall** received a grant of £3182 towards their upgrade plans.

**1<sup>st</sup> Kilsby Guides** received a grant of £490 to produce a Kilsby Mosaic Mural which will be mounted on the side of the village shop.

**Kilsby Village Shop** was awarded a grant of £2250.

A request for a replacement Table Tennis table has been deferred to the next funding round which closes for applications on Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019.

## FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR CATHERINE LOMAX

(Tel: 890939, 24 Castle Mound, Barby, CV23 8TN, [clomax@daventrydc.gov.uk](mailto:clomax@daventrydc.gov.uk))

By the time you read this, your brown, garden waste, bin, will have been emptied for the last time, unless you have signed up for the new paid-for service. If you are having any difficulty registering, please contact me, as I have a supply of the necessary forms. You should, by now, have received the new collection schedules. **(Eds. See also page 26.)**

The Government has appointed two Commissioners to take over certain major functions of the County Council. Their appointment lasts until 31st March 2021, but by then it is expected that all the existing local authorities (Boroughs and Districts, including Daventry District Council) will have been replaced by new bodies. There will probably be two of these for the county, and in our area, the Government's preferred option is for a West Northamptonshire Council, made up of Daventry and South Northamptonshire Districts, with Northampton Town. There is some opposition to this, and consultation on it has been extended to 31st August 2018.

Daventry District Council has, as a result of the impending changes, decided to pursue its plans to

## 1st Kilsby Guides

(From Joanna Carpenter, Tel: 07985 797539)



It's been a busy and exciting term so far for the 1st Kilsby Guides. We have been getting green fingered in our Guides' garden at the Village Hall and sprucing up our planter on the village green. We have been on a night walk to Crick, learnt how to look after our mental health and made a spectacular royal wedding card to send to Harry and Meghan.

It's also a time of change as we prepare to say 'goodbye and thank you' to our guide leader Sue Curtis when she relocates to the south coast this summer. We will have a new guide leader - Jenni Smith - joining us in the autumn term and we will also be moving Guides to a Tuesday evening. New members are always welcome!

We have also been provisionally awarded a grant by the Community Fund for Kilsby via Grantscape to complete an exciting piece of artwork in the village, and we need your help to make it happen! We are designing a mosaic mural to be sited on the side of the new community shop. We are looking for donations of colourful items to be included in our mosaic design. These could include unwanted tiles, glass nuggets, lego bricks, or anything else small and weatherproof! If you think you might have something we could use in this wonderful venture please contact Jo Carpenter on 07985 797539 to arrange delivery/collection.

regenerate Daventry town centre area behind the High Street, moving the library to the Abbey Centre and ensuring that a cinema and other leisure facilities can be provided. The long-held ambition to build a canal arm from the Grand Union Canal to the town centre has been dropped.

DDC will shortly begin a Community Governance Review, which will look at shaping the future of our parishes. I will be a member of the working group looking at this.

The Government Inspector examining the Rugby Borough Council Local Plan has decided that the proposal to build a new 1500 house village at Lodge Farm, off the A45 opposite Onley Park, should be removed from the Plan. This is good news for our villages, as the extra traffic on our local roads would not have been acceptable.

Please remember my contact details. Email to [clomax@daventrydc.gov.uk](mailto:clomax@daventrydc.gov.uk), phone 01788 890939 (no answer phone), or write to me at 24 Castle Mound, Barby, CV23 8TN.

## **ST. FAITH'S SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

(From Kathy Jenkins, Tel: 822464)

### **Strawberry and Wine Evening**

Our Strawberry and Wine Evening will be held on Friday 29th June at Grafton House, Rugby Road, the lovely home of Sally and Andy Tompkins. The event will start at 6.00 pm and last until 8.00 pm and the cost of a ticket is £6.00. I'm sure we shall have a great evening, so do come and meet up with all your friends and neighbours. There will be plenty of drinks and strawberries to enjoy.

### **Coffee Morning**

Our Coffee Morning on Tuesday 17th July will be held in St Faith's Church, from 10.30 am until 12.00 noon. It's lovely to be able to have a Coffee Morning in the church. Make sure you bring plenty of friends and neighbours, and, of course, all the husbands who are available! We have plenty of room in our beautiful church, so come and enjoy yourselves with us. Price £2.50 on the door.

## **Kilsby History Society**

(From Gill Mason, Tel: 822658)

A guided walk around Welton will take place on Thursday 28th June. It will commence at Welton Church at 7.30 pm.

Welton is hilly, but we shall be stopping a number of times. There are also two stiles but there is an easy alternative for those who cannot manage stiles.

The walk finishes at The White Horse.

We have decided that those attending should pay £2.00, which we shall donate to Welton History Society.

We would appreciate it if you would let Gill (822658) or Diana (822197) know if you intend to come. We hope we can arrange some car-sharing.

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## Kilsby Garden and Produce Association



(From Sue Curtis, 07764 335830)

Mary, Mary, quite contrary, how does your garden grow? If your answer is, quite nicely thank you, how about entering our garden competition?

### The deadline is the 20th June

and the three categories are :

1. Mixed Garden
2. Decorative Garden
3. Courtyard Garden.

Please contact Diane Graham, either by email at: [graham2017diane@gmail.com](mailto:graham2017diane@gmail.com) or by phone: 823485 and she will be happy to explain each category if you are not sure about which one to enter.

Judging will take place on July 7th, with the winners announced at our annual show on September 2nd.

Everyone should have had their new membership cards but if you haven't, or if you want to become a member, please contact Sue (see number above) or Diane.

## DAVENTRY CALLING

(From Terry Dougan, Tel: 822650)

Daventry Calling is a quarterly magazine sent out to all households by the District Council which contains important information the Council wants to get to residents, as well as interesting items of news.

Earlier this year we realised that people in Kilsby had been missing out on getting copies of Daventry Calling for some time and this was taken up with the firm which organises the deliveries. The most recent edition should have come through your door between 14th and 19th May. It had information in it about the forthcoming changes to bin collections and a photograph of a small girl emerging from a blue lidded recycling bin.

Initial feedback indicates that most households seem to have received their copy this time, but before I report back to the company and the Council could anyone who didn't get their copy this time, please let me know as soon as possible. Please email [lomdoucd@gmail.com](mailto:lomdoucd@gmail.com) or phone on the number above, letting me have your address and postcode.

Thank you.

## Kilsby Stitches

(From Brenda Beeston, Tel: 822713)

We meet every two weeks on Fridays between 2.00 and 4.00 pm in the Chapel coffee shop. We work together on joint projects or bring our own sewing, embroidery, knitting, patchwork etc and enjoy the afternoon together.

The next 3 meetings will be on Friday 1st, 15th and 29th June at 2.00pm.

For more information please ring Brenda Beeston on 822713.

### Delivery of Church Newsletters in Kilsby

Some more helpers are needed for this once-a-month delivery in Fishers Close, Cowley Way, Postle Close and Cildes Croft.

If you are able to help, please contact Barbara Almond on 824333.

## BARKING MAD PET CARE



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## Signed up to decorate your Wheelbarrow yet?

(From John Madigan, Tel: 822350)

Help us to raise money for many of the major charities by decorating your wheelbarrow on Garden Open Day (10th. June).

Anything goes: - paint it, plant it or put something in it! ('The old man' was one suggestion - if it suits you, go for it!)

If you don't want to exhibit your wheelbarrow at your own house, or you're not on a main garden route, we are arranging somewhere to show it off.

Please e-mail: [jam.madigan2015@outlook.com](mailto:jam.madigan2015@outlook.com) or ring 822350.

## Governors for Kilsby School

(From Karen Burton [mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net](mailto:mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net))

We are looking for new Governors from September 2018. Unfortunately, some of our long standing Governors will be resigning from their posts at the end of this academic year, and we are looking for new Governors to support the school. We need people who are not a parent/carer/relation to any of the children, and are particularly keen to welcome individuals from within or outside of the village who have business acumen.

The role involves six meetings a year, usually on a Monday evening, from 7.30 pm for a couple of hours, and some visits to school during the day time. If you are interested please telephone Dawn Lee on 01788 822711 or email:

[bursar@kilsby-ce.northants-ecl.gov.uk](mailto:bursar@kilsby-ce.northants-ecl.gov.uk)

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Sunday 17th June: 12 noon to 5pm

Saturday 23rd June: 12 noon to 5pm

Sunday 24th June: 12 noon to 5pm

Saturday 30th June: 12 noon to 5pm

Sunday 1st July: 12 noon to 5pm

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### Peter Daly

01788 891465

Another year with the gang at the sunny Barby garden studio of Dot & Geoff Crowe. My painting still explores areas overlooked or thought ugly – but have their own beauty.

Come and see what you think.

### Ella Hendy

07472 747355 | [www.ellaart.co.uk](http://www.ellaart.co.uk) | [ella@ellaart.co.uk](mailto:ella@ellaart.co.uk)

Ella will be adding her intriguing and characterful mixed media paintings to the creative mix at Cleves Garden Studio again this year. If you thought wallpaper was just for walls, think again...

### Moira Morriss

07752 987649 | [www.moiramorrissmemorials.com](http://www.moiramorrissmemorials.com)  
[moira@moiramorrissmemorials.com](mailto:moira@moiramorrissmemorials.com)

In my workshop I create stone carvings for gardens and homes, architectural carving for restoration projects, memorials and headstones, and all forms of lettercutting.

## St. Faith's Church

Services at St. Faith's start at 11.00 am every Sunday as follows:-

- |                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| 1st Sunday in each month | - Morning Praise with hymns  |
| 2nd Sunday               | " - Holy Communion 'said' service, a quieter, more reflective, service.                  |
| 3rd Sunday               | " - Morning Praise with hymns  |
| 4th Sunday               | " - Holy Communion with hymns and with a sung setting of the Communion led by the choir. |

## Open Gardens – Tea and Cakes at the Village Hall Sunday 10th June 2018



Please come and join us for tea and cakes at the Village Hall on  
Sunday 10th June 2018

All proceeds from the refreshments will go to supporting the Village Hall

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## Crick Medical Practice

(From Eddie Taken, Tel: 822068)

### Training Days

The training days for the rest of the year are:-

**13<sup>th</sup> June, 11<sup>th</sup> July, (no training in August), 12<sup>th</sup> September, 10<sup>th</sup> October, 14<sup>th</sup> November and 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018.**

### Saturday Surgeries

The Saturday Surgeries for the next few months will be- **June 2<sup>nd</sup> and July 14<sup>th</sup>.**

**For prebookable appointments.**

### GDPR (Data Protection)

As most of you will be aware there is a new regulations coming into force on the 26<sup>th</sup> May on data protection.

For this reason the practice will be contacting those members who have previously been contacted in the past by text or voice mail to remind them of appointments to confirm that they agree for the practice to continue. This is just to ensure that the surgery complies with the new regulations and patients continue to benefit from this service,

Dear Homeowner,

I trained as an estate agent over 12 years ago and now specialise in the villages of Kilsby & Barby. I have a particular interest and knowledge of both of these villages having been brought up in Kilsby, living in Fishers Close. I went to the local primary school, played football for Barby FC for several years and also played tennis for many years at Kilsby Tennis club.

I operate as a self employed property consultant under the well regarded and recognised brand of Horts Estate Agents. This gives me the back up and support of a long established company whilst at the same time being able to offer a one to one personable and professional level of service for all my clients.

I understand that you have a choice of estate agent when it comes to selling your house. I am building a unique and specialist focus in representing property owners in both Kilsby & Barby and would very much welcome the opportunity of meeting with you when you are next considering selling your property.

You can contact me AT ANY TIME on my direct line 01788 556881 or on my mobile, 07989 404822 or email address [ben.street@horts.co.uk](mailto:ben.street@horts.co.uk).

Please consider me next time you have your home valued by calling 07989 404822.

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## Village Hall Cinema

(From Julie Bunyan, Tel: 823707)

The first season for the Village Hall Cinema has been a great success and well supported during the course of the year. Thanks to everyone for your continued support and we hope you have enjoyed the films we have shown so far. We will be taking a break during the summer months and returning with new films in September and November.

Many thanks to Richard Curtis for helping to set up the cinema, selling tickets and providing a variety of refreshments for the film shows this year. As some of you may know, Richard and Sue will be relocating to pastures new in the next couple of months. Both Richard and Sue have volunteered a great deal of time to the hall and they will be missed. We wish them all the very best for the future.

If anyone would like to help out with running the cinema please contact: Julie Bunyan Tel: 823707 or Ruth Axtell Tel: 823662.

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## Kilsby Annual Parish Meeting - 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018

### CHAIRMANS REPORT Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018

(From Councillor Charles Smedley, Tel: 822241)

Kilsby Parish Council has seen quite a change in Councillors over the past year. Keith Adams joined the Council in April 2017 but resigned in January 2018 due to changes in his work patterns. Reg Dunn, Maggie Chandler and Barbara Almond also stepped down during the year but we are very pleased to welcome Di King, Tom Moore and Francesca Kirtley-Paine as Councillors.

Reg Dunn started the year as Chairman of the Parish Council but resigned when he moved away from the village. We would like to take the opportunity to publicly thank him for being Chairman of the Council for 8 years and for doing so much for Kilsby village community in so many ways.

Following Reg Dunn's resignation the Chairmanship has been taken on by Charles Smedley with Jenny Fisher appointed to the role of Vice-Chairman. We still have one vacant seat on the Parish Council and are very keen to fill it as soon as possible.

We have tried to improve communication with parishioners this year and have launched a new website which Councillor Tom Moore is keeping up to date for us.

All Councillors are about to receive dedicated email addresses for Council business to ensure that the parish complies with enhanced General Data Protection Regulations which come into force on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

In addition the Parish Council would like to thank Chris Lomas who has put together a Welcome Pack which is available for new residents when they move into the parish to help them feel part of the community. If you have a new neighbour then please contact Chris and ask her for a pack to give them.

The Parish Council has also provided a grant for additional planters around the village to improve the environment. Thanks to Jane George for organising this initiative.

Gren Hatton provided the wording for Heritage Sign Boards to be located around the village. Avant Homes are going to fund one board, and it should be possible to use money provided by the developers to fund others once the houses are occupied. The section 106 planning gain money will not be made available until 75% of the houses are occupied, which will be probably be another year. The Parish Council are keen to put the boards in place if funding can be secured as it will enhance the village and make it more interesting for visitors, as well as leaving a legacy to Gren Hatton.

#### **Planning**

During the year the Council has acted as consultee for 23 Planning applications in the village, 1 application at DIRFT and 1 application on a tree with a Preservation Order on it. It has also provided comments on 3 Planning appeals all of which were dismissed.

Daventry District Council is working on its District Local Plan and Kilsby has been designated as a Secondary village, which means it is unlikely to be forced to take any large scale planning development.

The Council has sought legal advice over the legal position of the registered Village Greens and has formalised permissive easement for those with access that has been in place for many years. Under the law governing registered Village greens, the green must remain accessible for recreational use by parishioners, so parking on the green is not allowed, nor can any further access over the green be permitted.

Daventry District Council has carried out an appraisal of Kilsby to see if parts of the village fit into the criteria to be designated as a Conservation Area. We are still awaiting feedback from DDC as to whether this will happen or not.

#### **Policing**

Mid-way through last year the police announced that they would no longer be match funding the costs of the two PCSOs who provide police presence for Crick, Kilsby and DIRFT. Sponsors were told that they would need to find the full cost of £74450 to cover the two PCSOs should they wish to continue to take part in the

scheme. After a series of meetings and negotiations DIRFT has agreed to contribute £60K towards the cost with Kilsby paying £6200 and Crick making up the difference. We are currently negotiating a service level agreement. These discussions have not been concluded and without agreement we may not have 2 PCSO's in the village. **(Eds. See page 3 for an update on this.)**

The village took part in a police initiative to reduce traffic speeds during August 2017. Thanks to all those who took part and attended training to use the Speedwatch Speed-guns. Although it only lasts for a limited period of time it does make people think about the speed they travel through the village. Unfortunately it has not been possible to take part again this year as we had insufficient people prepared to volunteer and to train to use the speed gun.

### **Village Shop**

Councillor Liz Rochford took over as Parish Council link on the Community Shop project which is now up and running. Thank you for the hard work of the team who brought this project to fruition and to those residents who have invested in it and given their time and expertise.

As you may be aware, Kilsby Parish Council provided a £25K interest free loan which is to be repaid in 5 years' time. This money enabled the Porta-cabin to be purchased ready for trading.

Negotiations are now taking place with the Post Office to open a local branch within the shop premises. This should be in place in 2-3 months' time. **(Eds. See page 18 for an update on the shop and possible post office.)**

### **Cemetery**

Cemetery fees have been increased to try and keep them in line with the Church of England fees. This year the Council has allowed pre-purchase of burial plots and we would like to thank Helen Smedley for her work as Burials Clerk. She has dealt with 16 burials and/or memorial transactions during the year.

### **Highways/Environment**

Following concern over flooding from the A361 development site, Kilsby PC signed up to the County Council's Flood warden scheme which includes an independent survey of all water courses in the parish by a structural engineer. **(Eds. See page 25 for news of a drop-in event about this survey.)**

We however need someone in the village to act as "Flood Warden" and to date no one has come forward to volunteer for this role.

Concerns over drainage and pedestrian safety from the A361 Development were raised by residents. Despite the Parish Council raising queries with the Highways and Planning Authorities and Severn Trent they have all confirmed that they are satisfied that the scheme meets their safety standards.

During the year the council has erected a Vehicle Activated sign on Main Road to try and reduce the speed of traffic entering the village from Hillmorton. An illuminated 'No HGV' sign has been erected at the end of Watling Street leading to "The George".

A new 'dog poo' bin is being erected at the end of Watling street and the parish has taken part in an initiative to reduce dog fouling by spraying deposits with fluorescent paint.

Thanks to all those who took part in the recent village litter pick and to Councillor Sarah Stainton for organising it.

Sadly the monthly community bus has had to stop as it was being underutilised.

The Council still provides a village youth club on a Friday evening for +11 year olds.

The grass mowing contracts for the Highway Verges, Cemetery and Recreation Ground have just been awarded to Groundscape and Mr S Hartwell who are both local village contractors.

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### **Accounts**

The Council budget last year was £45910 and we have been able to keep the precept at the same level for the coming year.

During the year we made grants of £200 to St Faith's Church towards the cost of a replacement lawn mower, to Kilsby Gardening Club towards the cost of additional planters, and to Kilsby Guides.

We have just agreed to fund some advertising banners to advertise Kilsby Open Gardens which is part of the National Gardens Scheme and to reprint the "Countryside Walks" leaflet as part of a Mental Health Awareness and Well-being week organised by our newest Parish Councillor Francesca Kirtley-Paine. It is hoped that everyone will find that during the week 14 – 20<sup>th</sup> May there will be something going on that you can take part in which will improve your 'Well being'!

Finally, our Parish Clerk, Catherine Camp has decided to retire at the end of June to allow her more time to travel with her recently retired husband. She is leaving very reluctantly after ten very happy and rewarding years, and hopes that the Parish Council can recruit a suitable successor to provide a seamless handover.

Councillor Charles Smedley, Chairman of Kilsby Parish Council, 17 April 2018

## **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT TO ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

(From District Councillor Catherine Lomax, Tel: 890939, clomax@daventrydc.gov.uk)

My report will deal in the main with the major activities and events of the year.

I will start with Planning. All three of this ward's villages now have, with Crick's successful referendum in January, an accepted Neighbourhood Development Plan, setting out the vision for development in the next 15 years. This will give much needed protection against opportunistic speculative planning applications which do not address local needs. It yet again feels as if the County Highways live in a different universe, being unable to understand the concerns of local people in relation to the Avant development on the A361.

Daventry District Council has still this year been working on the Settlements and Countryside Local Plan for the whole district. Consultation has taken place on the draft, and it is expected to be adopted by 2019. The all-important housing land supply now stands at 6.3 years.

As you know the Council is reviewing the district's conservation areas and considering designating more, including one in Kilsby.

Although the District Council is not the Education Authority, it was instrumental in the setting up of the University Technical College in Daventry. Last year, little more than 3 years after its opening, the college has closed. It was never able to attract the number of pupils to make it viable. This year the Council has played a major part in the establishment of two other schools in the town: first, an all-age school for children with special needs, which takes pupils from throughout the county, and it is, I understand, fully subscribed, and second, a primary school, set to open later this year, on the new housing development at Monksmoor, part funded by the infrastructure levy paid to the Council by the builders.

The service we all receive from the Council is, of course, waste collection. While many people have found the present contractors satisfactory, this has not been a universal experience, and grounds maintenance and litter picking have been particularly criticised. As you now all know, we will have new contractors in June. This is Daventry Norse, a partnership with an organisation set up by Norfolk County Council, which already delivers a service to a number of local authorities. The details of the new 1-2-3 service are now being widely publicised, and, while some residents have voiced concerns about the changes to the collection routines, it should be much easier to recycle. As a member of the joint Liaison Board for Daventry Norse, I should be well placed to take up any issues that might arise, and it seems that Norse will be willing to address and deal with problems.

A new initiative launched recently was the Local Lotto. Proceeds from this will go not just to the Council, but, more importantly, towards local voluntary and community organisations. Support for communities is an important function of the Council. In addition to the lottery funds, this year the Council agreed to double its grant budget for voluntary and community groups to £150,000 for three years, 2018-2021. The first draw takes place on 21st April.

Among other initiatives during the year, there has been 'The Big Switch', to enable households to find a better deal for their electricity supply; the promotion of the Good Neighbour Scheme to address the needs of the elderly and vulnerable in our communities; and encouragement of environmental improvements through the supply of free poppy and wildflower seeds. Plans are also in hand to celebrate the centenary of the ending of WW1.

Last summer the Council and Daventry town hosted the county Grand Depart of the Women's Cycling Tour. This brought visitors and money into the district, and the Council's bid to host this year's final county stage in June has been successful. Grants are being made available to support village events celebrating the Tour.

A major project for the Council over the last fourteen years has been the expansion and regeneration of the town. Unfortunately, partly because of the economic crash in 2008, progress has been slow. Site 1, which would see the development of a new library, cinema, and shopping area behind High Street, has stalled, though it is still hoped for. Planning permission has been given for a retail and leisure area at the end of Ashby and Braunston Roads. Yet again, we have been told that a planning application is expected for the area to the east of the Country Park, which would see 4000 houses, educational and communal facilities. The proposed canal arm linking Daventry to the Grand Union Canal has continued to be vociferously opposed within the town, and a new business plan to assess the viability of the project is now being drawn up.

**(Eds. See Councillor Lomax's report on page 4 for an update on the issues covered in this paragraph.)**

The most significant event of the year has been the demise of the County Council. Commissioners are being sent in by the Government to run the authority, and the Minister for Local Government has expressed his preference for Northamptonshire to be organised into two unitary authorities, which would be responsible for all services within their area. We know that the county's seven Districts and Boroughs have said they believe this is not the only option, but, whatever the outcome, there will be great change in the next two years.

I have attended your Parish Council and contributed to Kilsby Kronickle regularly. I have also been delighted to support and join in a number of village events and activities during the year.

District Councillor Catherine Lomax, 17th April 2018

## Ashtanga Yoga classes at Kilsby Village Hall

Ashtanga Yoga is a dynamic system that has the potential to create a vibrant healthy body and mind. In this method the physical postures of yoga are knitted together with careful attention to breathing and movement.

Ashtanga asks tightness to bend and softness to be strong. It is a way to become **stronger, more flexible and increase stamina**. However, there is much more to Ashtanga than bending, folding and twisting your body, it also brings **calmness and steadiness of the mind**.

Classes are fairly small (maximum 10) and everyone is welcome, including individuals that have never practiced before (independently of their age and/or abilities) or those that already practice Yoga.

**Mondays 6:45pm to 7:45pm in the Kilsby room**

**Thursdays 10:00am to 11:00am in the Main**

For bookings, further information and/or full timetable please contact Gabriela on:

07807 524834 / [info@bethechangeyoga.co.uk](mailto:info@bethechangeyoga.co.uk) or visit

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## MESSY CHURCH

(From Nancy Golding, Tel: 822611)

**Thursday, 21st June  
in Kilsby Village Hall  
from 4.00 pm - 5.30pm.**

All children welcome with parents/carers. It's art and crafts, songs, stories and sharing a meal together.

*It's fun and it's free.*

## MESSY CHURCH PICNIC

**Thursday, 5th July  
in St. Faith's Churchyard  
from 4.00 pm - 5.30pm**

Please bring a plate of picnic food to share. An event for all the family - a warm welcome to everyone.

## Can you help?

Kilsby C.E. Primary School is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on the current site in September 2018. We are really excited about this momentous occasion and plan to celebrate in many different ways involving children, parents and villagers.

We are at this point, looking for anyone who has any interesting information about the school, or perhaps old photos (we could copy), any stories, etc. that you think we could add to our displays depicting the school, events involving the school and it's pupils over the years.

You can email your photos to [mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net](mailto:mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net) or drop them into school so we can make copies. Your input would be very much appreciated.

Please could you make any contributions during the month of June if at all possible. Many thanks.

## Pitter-patter of Tiny Paws Will Change Lives

(From Lin Simpson, Tel: 422288)

Born in mid-February, a litter of gorgeous Labrador puppies have entered the world, ready to change and enrich lives as future assistance dogs. Local dog sitters, Barking Mad Rugby, and other branches all over the country have been waiting excitedly to hear the news of the litter's arrival, since officially choosing the inspirational organisation, [Dogs for Good](#), as their charity for 2018.

Barking Mad have become 'puppy partners' with the charity, which is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, meaning that they will sponsor a puppy in training, following its amazing progress into a life changing dog.

Lin Simpson of Barking Mad Rugby said:

"We are so excited to hear that our allocated puppy litter has been born and that they are doing fabulously with Mum, Brenda! We are so proud to sponsor a puppy which we have named Prince. Prince will become an assistance dog, partnering with an adult or child with disabilities or a child with autism, or alternatively a community dog. Whichever path our pup takes, he will be a life changer and we can't wait to follow his progress throughout his first year of socialising and training, which will teach him to take obstacles, noises and different distractions all in his stride."

Barking Mad's puppy will be in good company, with ITV's This Morning television programme also featuring a pup with a purpose, called Digby. Digby is currently stealing the show and becoming more famous by the day, as he starts to prepare for a role as a life changing assistance dog, even recently meeting HRH Prince of Wales!

Barking Mad Rugby will be continuing to raise money for Dogs for Good to train more desperately needed assistance dogs throughout 2018, by holding local events and via their online fundraising page:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/barkingmad-dogsforgood>.

If you would like to get involved or find out more about the Barking Mad dog home boarding service, Lin can be contacted on 01788 422288.



## Kilsby Community Shop

(From Janet Heathcote on behalf of the Committee)

Since our very successful and enjoyable opening in March, the shop has gone from strength to strength under our very professional and friendly shop manager – Andrea Brown. Shortly after opening, following a visit by Environmental Health, we were awarded the Food Hygiene 5 Stars and all staff now look very smart in their new blue aprons. We have also now got a card reader - enabling customers to pay by credit or debit card as well as cash.

Our locally produced goods - delicious cakes, bread, cheeses, pies and fresh vegetables - continue to be very popular and our own brand products have been extended to include curry sauces and pickles. We also have a great selection of special greetings cards, mugs and bags produced by local artists. The dry-cleaning facility is now well established, with a same day service, and is proving very popular.

We have worked hard to try to respond to customers' requests for new items for the shop with the aim of making a true community service for all the village. **IF YOU HAVEN'T VISITED US YET – COME AND MEET US TO SEE WHAT YOUR SHOP HAS TO OFFER.**

Our prices are competitive too. Andrea has done a comparison with the larger supermarkets for a basket of typical weekly goods, costing £35.44 in our Kilsby shop, and including our locally produced products. The equivalent basket would cost £34.90 at Sainsburys, £34.74 at Tescos and £35.60 at Asda. There are no travel or parking costs and there's always service with a smile..... more good reasons to shop at your community store.

We'd like to thank Jean Fox, whose superb scones have gone down a treat. Jean has kindly donated the scones for sale to boost the fund to purchase a bench for outside the shop. We hope to be able to offer a comfy place to sit before the return stroll home and the chance for villagers to have a chat as they admire the garden planted up, using donations of plants kindly supplied by various villagers.

Our group of willing volunteers has grown steadily but we are still on the lookout for anyone else who feels they can offer their time to support the shop. All you need to do is contact Andrea and she will arrange for you to complete the training. Volunteers always work with someone else and high levels of support are offered at all times. It's a lot of fun and volunteers get to meet new friends as well as catch up with old friends. The contact details are in the next column – we'd love you to join us! **(Eds. See also page 21.)**

We are truly committed to being at the heart of the community and on 20th May we were thrilled to be

part of the primary school's May Fayre. In the wonderful weather we were able to display some of the goods we have on offer and it was a delight to be part of such a terrific village event.

### A reminder of our opening hours:

Monday – Saturday	8.00 am – 5.30 pm
Sunday	8.00 am – 12.00 pm

### Contact details:

Andrea Brown: Phone: 07861295358.

### You can get all our up to date news by following us on Facebook.

And finally ..... we are still working with Royal Mail to look at the establishment of a Post Office in the shop. It is rather a long and drawn out process but we are making progress and will keep you updated on Facebook and through our regular reports in the Kronickle.

## CALLING ALL CHILDREN

Kronickle is looking for pictures of Kilsby drawn or painted by children which we can feature in the magazine, and there will be prizes for the best one in each category.

So get your crayons, pencils and paints out and send us a picture of some part of Kilsby or of an activity in the village. Think about something you really like in the village and then draw or paint that.

The categories

5 years and under

6-10 years

11-16 years

Your pictures can either be delivered to The New House, 20 Rugby Road, or sent on line to lomdoucd@gmail.com and don't forget to let us know your age when you send us the drawing.

The competition is open to all children who live in Kilsby parish and to the children and grandchildren of residents.

The closing date for entries is Sunday 8th July and we will announce the winners in the next issue and show some of the pictures in that and in future editions of Kronickle. We look forward to seeing your pictures.



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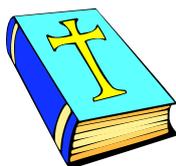
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## **JUNE-JULY NEWS**

### **Sunday Services (at 11.00 am)**

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10th	Mr Wally Mular
17th	Mr Cecil Gill
24th	Mrs Dorn Margetts

#### **July**

1st	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp
8th	Mr Wally Mular
15th	Mr Cecil Gill
22nd	Rev. Geoff Townsend (HC)
29th	Mr John Herd

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### **WALKING GROUP**

(From Lesley Loader, Tel: 822246)

The next dates for our walks are:

Thursday 7 June, leaving at 9.30 am from The White House, Chapel Street;

Sunday 17 June, leaving at 10.00 am from The White House, Chapel Street;

Thursday 5 July, leaving at 9.30 am from The White House, Chapel Street;

Sunday 15 July, leaving at 10.00 am from The White House, Chapel Street.

More information from Lesley Loader on 822246 or at: [ljloader@btinternet.com](mailto:ljloader@btinternet.com)

## **NEWS FROM KILSBY PRE-SCHOOL**

Kilsby Pre-school is as busy as ever! With the lovely weather, the children have been able to get outside even more and enjoy themselves. The staff hosted a wonderful British celebration of the royal wedding with a tea party festooned with bunting. The children dressed up in red white and blue and had a lovely time!

We would like to thank everyone who stopped by our May Fayre stalls. We hope everyone had a lovely time and enjoyed our springtime offerings of refreshments and fun.

Also thanks to everyone who donated clothes for our most recent rag bag collection. We do appreciate all the support we receive from the community.

#### **Summer Barn Dance**

Our next big fundraising event will be a summertime Barn Dance to be held at the Village Hall on 14th June and featuring whooping and hollering country dancing to music by our live band 'Jack in the Pulpit'. Tenderfoots to country dancing are very welcome!

The evening will also have a wonderful prize raffle, as well as delicious hog roll supper.

Doors open at 7.30 pm and tickets are £15 each and available from Kilsby Pre-school. So get your dancing boots on and hoedown with us!

Email [kilsbypreschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kilsbypreschool@hotmail.co.uk). Or call 01788 824091

Volunteers for fundraising events, or offers of match funding/raffle prizes from employers are very welcome for all of our events, so please let us know if you'd like to be involved.

Pre-school spaces for September are going fast, especially on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you would like a prospectus or more information about the pre-school please get in touch.

## **From the Editors**

Would the person who left a plastic bag of dog 'poo' outside the school on Tuesday 8th May please use the bins provided in the future.

Not only did this detract from the good impression of Kilsby we were hoping to give to the judges of the Best Village competition who were visiting the village that day, but it was anti-social, unpleasant, and potentially hazardous for the children.



# Come and join us!

**It's great fun volunteering in Kilsby's new Community Shop!**

Not only can you help us keep the shop open and provide a valuable facility for the village but meet new people and learn new skills. Every day is different!

We need regular volunteers to help us cover all the opening hours. As a volunteer you will be provided with full training and supported by our full time Manager Andrea Brown and KVS Committee Members.

For details pop into the shop to collect an application pack and for a chat about what it involves.

Or e-mail Andrea at : [kilsbyvillageshop@gmail.com](mailto:kilsbyvillageshop@gmail.com)



## KILSBY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

(From Nancy Golding, Tel: 822611)

We have had lots of activities these past two months including a visit to the Royal School of Needlework at Hampton Court by three of our members. This was a really good day out as they were able to fit in a visit to the palace also.

Two members went on a cookery course at Denman College entitled 'For the Love of Gin' – who knew what intriguing dishes can be made with gin!

We really enjoyed a group meeting at Braunston when Dr. Gillian White gave us a very entertaining talk on the 'History of the Hugely Huggable Teddy Bears'.

Craft meetings have included Brusho Painting, Floral Painting and a visit to Bay Tree Cottage where we took part in a Stained Glass Workshop.

A talk by John Helm about the Cynthia Spencer Hospice involved playing 'Pass the Parcel'. This was a unique way of revealing questions about the running of the Hospice so that John was able to give us some informative answers.

At our May meeting we debated the resolution to be put forward at our National AGM in June which is about Mental Health Matters.

Kilsby WI joined in the Kilsby Wellness week by holding a 'Meet the WI' event in the village hall. There were exhibitions of craft work, demonstrations, a herbalist, light massage, book table, our old scrap books (always a laugh!), and of course tea, coffee and cake!

Jane George and Judy Ayton have produced a new WI Banner which we hope to take to the Northamptonshire WI Centenary Picnic to be held at Althorp Park in June.

Good News - our Skittles Team have reached the County Final!

Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall – new members and guests are very welcome.

We are away on our summer outing on the 14<sup>th</sup> June so the next meeting in the Village Hall will be on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> July, when there will be a talk called 'Wartime Housewife'.

## Gardeners' Corner

### **Spring has sprung**

What a yo-yo spring it has been. Everything from repeated snow and cold to temperatures like August bank holiday. In the end it all seemed to happen very quickly and it is suddenly summer.

### **It's time to prune your forsythias**

Prune your forsythia as soon as the flowers have finished. This gives it time to grow 3 to 5 ft of strong new branches that will flower next year. Just completely cut out the flowered branches back to a strong looking side shoot.

If you don't want to lose the screening effect, then just cut 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the branches right back like this each year, just lightly pruning the dead flowers off the others. This should keep it under control with a nice arching shape

### **If it's hot and dry (remember?)**

Mulch your raspberries: They have roots near the surface and can suffer in dry spells. Raspberries and other soft fruit will benefit from a good watering followed by mulching with a good 2 inch layer of compost to keep the moisture in.

### **..and if it is still hot & dry...**

Take the grass box off your mower.  
Keep the humidity up in your green house with a tray of water. It will reduce heat stress on the plants.  
Keep it topped up, it is amazing how much will evaporate on a hot day.

### **Jobs to do in June**

Dead head flowers.  
Sow perennials.  
Regularly sow salads for succession.

### **Jobs to do in July**

Weed and mow again!  
Sow a last crop of french beans.  
Thin apples and pears to 2 or 3 fruits per spur.  
Get the barbeque out.

### **Times past...**

Recipe from "A Discourse of Sallets", John Evelyn, 1699:-

*"Lop, Silesian and roman lettuce: Of each a pugil.*

*Radishes: Three parts. Cressess: Two parts*

*Purselan: 1 Fasciat or pretty full gripe. Sorrel: Two parts. Sampier: One part"*

*Note: 'Sampier' is samphire, so its recent popularity really is nothing new!*

Good Gardening!  
Ron Kickle



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## News from Kilsby School

(From Karen Burton [mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net](mailto:mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net))

As usual it has been a very busy term at Kilsby School!

### Grand opening of the new Village Shop in Kilsby

On Saturday 24th March some of the children in Rowan Class performed their dance to "Roar" at the grand opening of the new village shop in Kilsby.

Having won the fancy dress competition, Elsbeth Carpenter from Chestnut Class, helped open the shop along with Mrs Fran Conopo, who has lived in the village for 93 years!

Elsbeth also got to make the first purchase in the shop!

### Everdon Activities Centre

Rowan Class enjoyed a two night residential stay at the Outdoor Activities Centre in Everdon at the end of March. They took part in various activities including orienteering, shelter building, pond dipping and country walks. They had a great time!



### The National Space Centre

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April the children in Cherry Class visited the National Space Centre in Leicester.

They had a brilliant day out and found out a lot of interesting facts about the solar system, weather and space travel. While they were there, they visited the planetarium and found out all about the solar system, astronauts and spaceships!

### A Live Rock Band in School

On the morning of Tuesday 24th April, the whole school enjoyed a visit from a rock band from Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust (NMPAT).



They sang some chart topping songs (old and new), explained all about their various musical instruments and even recorded a song with the children. During the morning they portrayed the story of music in a very interesting and enjoyable way.

### Reception Children

The Reception children in Chestnut class are looking forward to a trip to Stratford-on-Avon Butterfly Farm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June. They will be given a tour through the rainforest where they will see different exotic butterflies, and find out all about the different stages of the life cycle of a butterfly. They will also get the chance to handle some creatures such as stick insects. After their visit to the Butterfly Farm they will have a picnic lunch in the park and if there is time, visit the play area too!

### Maple Class

The children in Maple class have been working hard on their SATS preparation classes.

The 15 children in Year 6 sat their KS2 SATS tests during the week beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May. They all came to school early, at 8.00 am on the mornings of the tests, for a chill out and breakfast of toast or cereal, and sausage or bacon rolls.

This term, on Wednesday afternoons the children in Maple class have really enjoyed learning to play the African drums! They get the opportunity every year to have someone from NMPAT come into school for about 10 afternoon sessions, to teach them a new musical instrument. Last year they learnt the clarinet. It is a very good scheme.



### Royal Wedding Picnic

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May all the children came to school dressed in their party clothes to celebrate the Royal Wedding. During the morning they went to St Faith's church for a re-enactment of a real wedding with the Rev Nigel. Afterwards, Rev Nigel joined them, back at school for a delicious picnic.



It was a lovely day, and they were able to have their picnic outside. A big thank you to Rachel our cook who provided a delicious picnic for over 100 people! Afterwards, the children enjoyed an afternoon of games and fun. The Year 6 children were able to let their hair down after their week of SATS tests and brought in water pistols and water bombs. Mr How and Mrs Newton got drenched! Everyone had a great time.

**(Eds. See also piece on May Fayre on page 27.)**

# Kilsby Flood Awareness Drop In Event

**Kilsby Village Hall**

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June 1 – 3 pm**

**Is your property at risk from flooding?**

**Do you know how to protect your home and local  
community from flooding?**

**Do you know how flood risk is managed locally?**

**Kilsby Parish Council has signed up to the Pathfinder II Flood  
Resilience Project, come along to find out more!**

**Find out about the flood risk survey undertaken in Kilsby**

**See local flood maps and share flooding concerns in your area**

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For further information visit  
[www.floodtoolkit.com/pathfinder2](http://www.floodtoolkit.com/pathfinder2)



**HOME, SWEET HOME?**





## Bin collection days changing across Daventry District



A reminder that bin collection days are changing for households across Daventry District from 4 June as part of major changes to the waste and recycling service. A new collections calendar and an information booklet about the new service should have been sent to you towards the end of May.

The change of day starts from week beginning 4th June 2018, when households will receive the new 123+ waste and recycling collection service:

- 1 weekly food waste collection
  - 2 weekly mixed recycling collection in a new blue-lidded wheelie bin
  - 3 weekly general waste black bin collection
- + Plus an optional two-weekly garden waste service for an annual fee of £35 a year.

You can also look up your new collection days by typing in your postcode on the Council's website at [www.daventrydc.gov.uk](http://www.daventrydc.gov.uk) or download the free Daventry District Council app which will also enable you to set reminder alerts. The app will be available from Google Play and the Apple Store from 2nd June onwards.

Daventry District Council's Environment Portfolio Holder Councillor Jo Gilford said: "We realise that there's going to be a lot to take in and for households to get used to, but these changes are absolutely crucial if we are going to improve the service we provide at the kerbside."

The new 123+ waste and recycling collection service will be delivered by Daventry Norse, a new joint venture between Daventry District Council (DDC) and Norse Commercial Services Ltd.

Visit [www.daventrydc.gov.uk/binchanges](http://www.daventrydc.gov.uk/binchanges) to find out more about the collection changes.

## Have you signed up to the new garden waste service yet?

More than 9,000 households in Daventry District have now signed up to new optional chargeable garden waste collections launching in early June. From 4th June, households wishing to continue having their garden waste collected fortnightly will need to sign up for the service and pay an annual fee of £35.

Brown bins will not be emptied after 4th June from homes that have not registered for the new service, so homes in Kilsby have already had their last free brown bin collection.

**Residents can sign-up for the service at [www.daventrydc.gov.uk/gardenwaste](http://www.daventrydc.gov.uk/gardenwaste) or by calling 0345 218 5215.**

All homes that sign up for £35 a year will receive a tamper-proof registration sticker in time for the start of the new fortnightly service. Garden waste bins that do not display the sticker will not be emptied. The annual charge of £35 per bin does not change if you join after this date.

The new garden waste service is part of 1-2-3+ Collection Service being introduced by Daventry District Council and its new environmental services partner Daventry Norse. The charge is being introduced as the Council can no longer afford to collect garden waste on a free-of-charge basis.

Daventry District Council's Environment Portfolio Holder Councillor Jo Gilford said: "We have been encouraged by the numbers of people who have opted to continue with the garden waste service from this summer. Councils are not required by law to collect garden waste free of charge and not everyone uses the service, so making it self-funding will enable it to continue for only those who want it."

Find out more at [www.daventrydc.gov.uk/GardenWaste](http://www.daventrydc.gov.uk/GardenWaste) where there is also a list of frequently asked questions,

## May Fayre

(From Karen Burton, [mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net](mailto:mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net))

The School May Fayre took place on the afternoon of Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May. What a beautiful afternoon it was too!

Our May King and Queen together with their Attendants opened the Fayre by cutting the ribbon at 2.00 pm. Everyone had a great afternoon. We had the usual maypole dancing, country dancing, a Tae Kwon-Do demonstration, BBQ, bottle tombola, raffle, plants, lots of other stalls including throw a sponge at Mr How! (our Headteacher).

A huge thank you to our hardworking KSA who organised the whole event. We really do appreciate their efforts.



**Our May King, Kyle Cave, with attendants Sam Smith and Thomas Mills**



**May Queen, Maddie Bee, with attendants Ruby Smith and Niamh Perks**



**Maypole dancing at the school during the Fayre**

**Things to do in June and July**

**Volunteer to help in the village shop**

**Go to the Strawberry & Wine Evening**

**Go to the Coffee Morning**

**Volunteer to be the Flood Warden**

**Go on the History Society Walk**

**Visit the Open Gardens and have tea at the Village Hall**

**Enter the Wheelbarrow Competition**

**Enter the Garden Competition**

**Become a School Governor**

**Volunteer to be a Parish Councillor**

**Go to the Flood Awareness Drop In**

**Help with the Open Garden teas**

**Get your children or grandchildren to enter the childrens' drawing competition**

**Take your children to Messy Church and/or the Messy Church picnic**

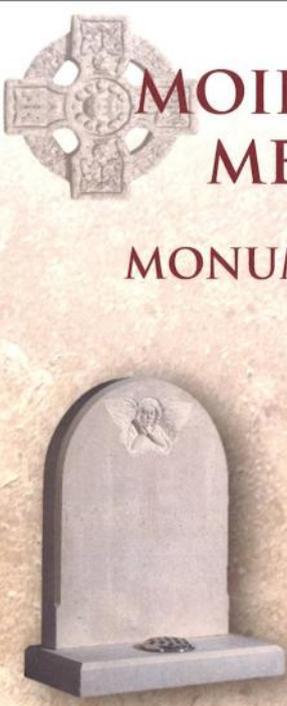
**Provide info/photos of the school**

**Go on a Walking Group walk**

**Offer to help deliver Churches' News**

**Help the guides with materials for their mosaic**

**Support fundraising for Dogs for Good**



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**WANTED**

**Parish Councillor and Flood Warden (see page 3)**

**Materials to use in the creation of a mosaic (see page 4)**

**Deliverers for Churches' Newsletter (see page 7)**

**Governors for Kilsby School (see page 7)**

**Memories and photos of Kilsby School (see page 17)**

**A coffee table for the Chapel (see page 20)**

**Contributions to the Editors**

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**The deadline for the next issue  
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