

# NORHAM NEWSROUND

## MARCH 2017

Summary of Minutes of Norham Parish Council      23rd January 2017

**Play areas** RoSPA will inspect annually until further notice. The posts and chains will be inspected and remedial work will be carried out in the spring.

A schedule of all **seats/picnic tables**, and of all bins, has been completed. A full inspection will be carried out in the spring. A checklist will be kept to ensure there is a record of inspection and maintenance.

An inspection of the **public conveniences** will be carried out.

We are still awaiting further information from the new Scottish Power contact re the **street lighting/undergrounding of cables** and the cost implications.

The **War memorial** has now been formally listed. Remedial work on the damaged grass verges will be carried out in the spring

**Graveyard** a topple test has been carried out. A number of stones in the closed part of the graveyard had been marked with warning tape, as had a number of more recent gravestones. The Vicar and churchwardens are aware of the unsafe headstones in the open part of the churchyard, and are due to discuss the matter.

As regards the **Register of Fixed Assets** it was agreed to add the Market Cross, the Millennium Clock, the two water pants, the stone planter, and the posts and chains round the village green to the register. In addition VLC will draw up a checklist version of the register so that as and when any asset is inspected, this can be recorded, as can any relevant comments.

A letter from Mr Dalgety, requesting the parish council's support for the formal renaming of the **road down to Norham Dene** as Boathouse Lane, was considered and discussed. It was agreed that the parish council had no objection.

The **South Lane Footpath** will be formally designated a footpath and right of way shortly.

**Parish Council Elections** are due to take place on 4<sup>th</sup> May.

**Planning:** The application in relation to Land North East of 3 Newburn Holdings had been refused.

Ladykirk Estates will be thanked for the **gift of the Christmas tree**. This had been very generous since they had had to purchase it.

There was discussion regarding general **state of the roads** around Norham. It was agreed that members of the public should be encouraged to report potholes to NCC via the web link <http://mapreport.northumberland.gov.uk/potholes>. JJG reported concern regarding the empty plot at the east end of south lane. VLC will contact NCC to express concern regarding the state and safety of the plot.

Date of next meeting 27 March at 7.30pm in Village hall .

**This is very much a summary. For full version of minutes see**

**[www.norham.org](http://www.norham.org) or village noticeboard.**

### Forthcoming Events.

Wednesday 1st March : **Ash Wednesday Holy Communion**; Church; 1.30pm

Thursday 2nd : **W.I. meeting**; 2pm in the Village Hall.

Friday 3rd : **World Women's Day of Prayer** : Carham Church; 2pm.

Thursday 9th : **Parish Walk** Meet on the Green at 9.30am.

**Tap Dancing Class**; 10.15am; Village Hall. See below.

Monday 13th : **M.U. Lent Lunch**; Branxton Village Hall; 1pm

**Local History Society** talk; Village Hall; 7.30pm See below

Wednesday 22nd : **Community Lunch**; Norham 1st School; 12 noon.

Friday 24th : **Local History Society** tour of Barracks; 2pm. See below

Saturday 25th : **Lady Day Service**; in church; 2pm.

Thursday 30th : **Drop-in-4-Coffee** in church 10.30-12 noon.

**SINCERE CONDOLENCES** to the family and friends of Sir Roger Young, who died recently.

**W.I.** At the March meeting Joyce Luby will talk on Fabric Easter Cards. All welcome.

**MOTHERS' UNION** The Lady Day Service will take place in Norham Church on 25th March at 2pm.

**COMMUNITY LUNCH** at Norham First School. 12-1pm on 22nd March. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to join us please call on 382370.

**PANTOMIME** A HUGE thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Pantomime at the end of January. It was a rip roaring success and I've been overwhelmed with the number of lovely comments about the show and it's fabulous cast! YAY! It's safe to say that there will be another one happening next year! Thank you to everyone who helped behind the scenes, gave us donations for our raffle, helped sell tickets and gave us support. It is all massively appreciated.

Please see below for a planning/evaluation meeting in March where people interested in being involved can come along and find out the plans for next year!

*Fliss Tunnard*

**A REVIEW** The weekend of 27th of January saw the culmination of nine months of hard work as the Norham production of Cinderella went live on stage. And what an amazing show it was! The director, Fliss, and her team worked incredibly hard and put on a show worthy of any theatre. The cast was mainly made up of village residents and their sense of community shone through. The friendships that had strengthened throughout the rehearsals were very much evident. Who knew that one village could hold such talented people? From the set to the lighting and music, everything had been done to the highest of standards. The love and respect the whole crew showed for Fliss, the director, was enough to warm the coldest hearts. In all honesty I cannot wait to see what the team comes up with next year!

*Lisa J Hobman*

**! 2018 !** If you are interested in being involved or helping in any way with the Pantomime, please come along to a meeting in the Village hall on Monday 6th March at 7pm. Please contact Fliss on 382 366 or [ftunnard@gmail.com](mailto:ftunnard@gmail.com) or 07850996013 for further details

### **MUSIC NIGHT AT THE MASON'S**

Friday the 31st of March From 7.30 onwards.

Bring your own instrument, play, sing or sit in, listen and enjoy the hospitality of the Mason's Arms.

**NORHAM EASTER BUNNY** Theresa Carson and I are planning on starting the Norham Easter Bunny in the village this year. If you would like your child to have a visit from the 'Easter Bunny' please contact either myself or Theresa and we will add your name to the list. Your child will then receive a visit from the Easter bunny and a Easter egg.

£1.00 donation appreciated. 07850996013 or 01289 382 366

*Fliss Tunnard*

**NORHAM W.I.** Norham WI would like to extend an open invitation to local women from Norham, the surrounding area and visitors to our lovely village to attend a monthly meeting to get a taste of what Norham WI is about. Pick a subject that interests you from our annual programme, turn up on the day and enjoy. As a visitor we need to ask for a small fee of £3.00 but you would get to hear an interesting talk or enjoy a workshop, learn more about WI and afternoon tea is included. You will be very welcome.

If you would like know to more you can contact one of the following:

President: Margaret Jeffrey 01289 387451

Secretary: Jan L'Argent 01289 382897

**NORHAM WI CRAFT CLUB** is open to everyone not just WI members. We can be found in the village hall on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month, the March dates are 8 and 22 March 2017. times are 1 to 4 p.m.. the fee is £2.00 for the afternoon, refreshments are available. For further information contact Jan L'Argent on 01289 382897.

**OilCAN** - Scheme members wishing to order oil during March need to either phone or email Jan L'Argent with details of the number of litres they wish to order by 3 p.m. Friday 10 March. If you are not a member and would like to know more about the OilCAN scheme please contact Jan L'Argent on 01289 382897.

**TWO RIGHT FEET?** Are you interested in trying out tap dance? I will shortly be starting a new class for adults—all ages—on Thursday 9th March 10.15 –11.15am in Norham Village Hall.

Tap dancing is excellent for bones and makes you more alert. You may be a complete beginner or have some previous knowledge, but do give it a try. The cost will be £5 per class, payable weekly at first, then in a block of six sessions. Tap shoes are not essential at first.

Please give your name to Linda at the Mason's Arms or give me a ring on 01890 870682.

*Moir Mansbridge*

### **ST CUTHBERT'S SUMMER FAIR 2017**

Sat 24th June 2-4pm

A Day by the Seaside!

Just 4 months to go till the big day and the sun is beginning to shine already!

If the sight of Spring springing has put you in the mood for a big clear out PLEASE remember us. We would like your bric-à-brac, your books, your vintage (or pre loved) clothes and accessories, and your bottles for the tombola. All only in good condition please !

And we would love you to come and help too. Many hands make light work etc!

Please contact me if you're interested: Tory Craig 01289382754

[Torylintoncraig@aol.com](mailto:Torylintoncraig@aol.com)

**NORHAM & LADYKIRK LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY** Monday, 13th March at 7.30 in the Village Hall. Drove Roads, a talk by Mrs Shelagh Townsend-Rose. Friday, 24th March 2pm at Berwick Barracks. Tour of the KOSB Museum with Mr Peter Walton.

**FREE TOPSOIL**(very good quality). Call and help yourselves at Fern Lea, West Street (bungalow on left next-but-one to the school) or ring Julian Bonia 01289 382256.

**FREE ADVICE** If any students - or adults - would like advice on applying to university, what course to do, completing a UCAS form or help with the Personal Statement, Paul Webster of 12 North Lane is a Head of Sixth Form at a secondary school and would like to offer anyone in the village (and surrounding area) FREE help and advice.

Please contact Paul on his email address - [paulwebster@ntlworld.com](mailto:paulwebster@ntlworld.com).

### **Learning Together about the Ten Commandments**

The Local Ministry Development Group at Norham Church is organising two groups for those who would like to learn more about the Christian faith, and grow in the knowledge and love of God.

We'll be using the Follow Stage of *Pilgrim: A Course for the Christian Journey* ([www.pilgrimcourse.org](http://www.pilgrimcourse.org)). Each session will finish with either afternoon tea or a simple shared meal. The venues are to be decided, but lifts will be available.

Each group will meet six times for about 1½ hours on the following Wednesdays in Lent: **8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> March and 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> April.**

If you'd like to take part, or to find out more, please contact the Revd Rob Kelsey on (01289) 382325 or [robert.josephkelsey@live.com](mailto:robert.josephkelsey@live.com).

### **ITEMS FOR APRIL NEWSROUND**

Any contributions should be given to Josephine Harris (382363) before Thursday 27th March. Newsround is put onto our website each month; if you do not wish your name, telephone number, or any other detail to be published, please advise.