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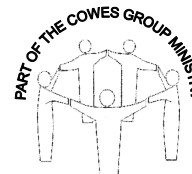
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News and Events of the Churches and Organisations in and around the Parish of Northwood, Isle of Wight

A word from the Vicar.....

The latest Mori poll suggests that.....

As we enter the month of May we are literally days away from the General Election (thank the Lord I am sure we will be all saying!) and as a result I can pretty much guarantee that every News programme will have at least one graph or opinion poll result in it, and so to keep with the trend and not wanting to disappoint you I give you another survey result:

The survey says that 100% of the readers of the Northwood Parish Magazine are happy with what Rev Amanda Collinson and St John the Baptist church are doing for the local community and the people of Northwood.

'Outrage,' I can hear being shouted, 'where did that survey get those results from?' Well I will tell you – from your good selves!!!! I asked you all in the newsletter last month to contact me and tell us what do we do that is good or bad and what do we not do that perhaps we should as well as other questions and sadly I got not one reply.

I'll be honest with you, I was a little surprised and actually saddened with this response. I know there are some brilliantly strong minded people out there and so was expecting some comments – and I was ready to take the bad as well as the good, because if I wasn't then I shouldn't have asked in the first place (hence why you will never hear me say 'Does my bum look big in this!')

But now I have had no comments I can, like all good politicians, spin this lack of replies into a whole world of positive statements about myself and the church which put us in a great light! Don't worry I would not be so cheeky.....but look how easy it is to assume that you are doing something OK or right, when actually that may not be this situation.

I was talking to a dear friend recently and they told me how a mutual friend had upset them. Did you say anything to them? I asked. 'No,' they replied, 'because I am sure they would be mortified if they knew they had upset me.' Whilst that may be the case, they may never know their behaviour has been upsetting if no one ever tells them.

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The bible talks a great deal about relationships and in St Matthew's Gospel it talks about speaking about your hurt or grievance rather than let it simmer until it boils over...but that hardly ever happens in church as criticism and conflict appear to be dirty words amongst a loving congregation.

I remember at theological college a dear friend of mine (who was ex-Army) and I had an argument. I cannot remember what it was about, but it was relatively heated. We had our 'debate' and then just carried on. The two other people in the room, just sat there dumbfounded – they couldn't understand how two good friends could have such an argument and then simply move on. I remember saying – its because he is a good friend that I can do this, he needs to know when he has upset me, just as much as I need to know when I have irritated him. Being Christian doesn't mean that you have to love everybody irrelevant of what they do or say, it means you help people to be the best person you can and sometimes that means you have to be honest but in a loving and caring way....just shouting will not help the situation, but explaining why you were upset, how you have taken their actions/behaviour to heart etc should help people to understand each other better. I think the world would be a more honest and nicer place if we were a bit more like that....

Now I am not typing this to encourage you to argue and be confrontational, indeed I don't like confrontation, but we have to be honest with one another....and if that means you don't like this article and inform me accordingly, I will still like you, indeed even more so for your honesty! So this month, be active rather than passive, look at what you do or don't respond to and why (in particular don't moan about how the country is governed if you don't vote) and be real friends to your nearest and dearest, even if that means telling them something they might not like, making sure you do it in a loving and caring way.

I pray that we all work hard to ensure our community is as strong, honest and true as it possibly can be.

*With all good wishes
Rev Amanda*

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRIEST IN CHARGE

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From the Parish Church Registers:**Baptisms:**

None

Marriages:

None

Died

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Rev'd Amanda Collinson

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Acts 8: 26-end 1 John 4:7-end John 15:1-8
- 10th 6th Sunday of Easter**
8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
Tea and coffee will be served before the service.
11.00am All Age worship
Acts 10:44-end 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17
- 17th Sunday after Ascension**
11.00am Morning Prayer (BCP)
12.00pm Holy Communion
Ezekiel 36:24-28 Acts 1:15-17, 21-end John 17:6-19
Psalms 1
- 24th Pentecost**
11.00am Holy Communion
Acts 2:1-21 Romans 8: 22-27 John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15
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Isaiah 6:1-8 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17

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Ward Report – April 2015

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There is a further point though, and it is one that is immerging to become very topical. It is the way that we, in our culture, in this Country (for all our ascendancies), tend to focus on the process rather than what underpins that process. Pallance Road, and my comments above, are one good example, but, it goes wider than this. Our medical service is very focused on treating the symptoms rather than the underlying cause, our criminal justice system is very much based on punishment rather than addressing behavioural roots, our education system is focused on attainment in the learning process rather than targeted development of the person and personal ability. But, there is a national change emerging, and it is one that I have been writing about in these newsletters, under the theme of Community Wellbeing, where consideration is being made for the wellbeing, the whole person states that can affect our health, happiness, behaviours and circumstances that we make for ourselves and that we find ourselves in. This is something that I have been using my position as Councillor to talk with and bring to the consideration of, with some significant progress and success, our MP, health officials, the police, community piers and communal organisations, as well as bringing it as an agenda topic to Northwood and Cowes Councils. With our eminent and enlightened Director of Public Health, and the various leading initiatives that are emerging on the Island, we are set to be a national example in this progressive field.



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If any readers have information about this event or other events we should be considering please contact Maureen Groves at 14 Nodes Road, phone 299221, or E-Mail cowesheritage@onwight.net

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By the time this article is published, we will hope that the HCA (Homes and Community Agency) will have finished the works and opened the pavement in Seaview Road in time for the charity football tournament as promised. The next question is when will Persimmon make the estate roads be made fit for adoption into Highways?

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in Isle of Wight Community Club, Park Road, Cowes

19th & 20th Century Military Activity on the Isle of Wight - Gareth Sprack**Wednesday 20th May**—Visit to Classic Boat Museum, East CowesFor membership details contact Mary Mead on **01983 298154**or visit the **CREEA** webpage in the **Local Groups** section of the village website where you can also download a copy of our 2015 Programme and view photos of past events.**COWES-DEAUVILLE TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

This Association was formed in 1964 with a view to furthering social, cultural and sporting exchanges between the citizens of both towns.

Anyone with an interest in France and the French and who have, or have had, some connection with Cowes, Gurnard, Northwood, East Cowes and Whippingham are very welcome to apply for membership.

New members are always welcome

Chairman: Barrie Clarke 882334 Secretary: Barry Bates 296303

COWES AMATEUR OPERATIC & DRAMATIC SOCIETY

TRINITY THEATRE IN COWES

Community QuizSaturday 9th May 7:30pm

In aid of the Isle of Wight Society for the Blind.

Teams of 4, £2.50 per person.

Book a table by calling or texting 01983 295229 or email

publicity@caods.org.uk**NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

Chairman: Ron Willis, 3, Uplands Road, Northwood. Tel: 01983 200452

Vice Chairman: Alan Chick, 75 Pallance Road, Northwood. Tel: 01983 296020

Secretary: Eileen Turner-Palmerton, 40 Greenways, Northwood.

Tel: 01983 282242 – Email: whitecross@onwight.net**NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT**

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton)

As stated last month, we were looking forward to a talk by Mr. Rodney Riddell about his life on the Royal Yacht Britannia. He told us that there were about 250 crew members on board the yacht at all times. He showed us a picture of the yacht and explained that, unlike previous Royal Yachts, Britannia travelled the world. Others just travelled round Britain. On board there are many artefacts from previous Royal Yachts. Rod also brought along a lot of memorabilia for us to see. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon.

The next Residents Event is on **WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY, 2015, 2.30.pm, at the W.I. Hall, Northwood.** If you would like to come and join us and need transport, please phone 282242.

Our future event dates are:-

June 17 th	July 15 th	August 19 th	September 16 th
	October 21 st .		November 18 th

The next meeting of the Northwood Community Partnership is on **TUESDAY 19TH MAY, 2015. 7 PM. in the Conservatory of the Traveller's Joy, Pallance Road.**

The Community Partnership would welcome any resident who is interested in the wellbeing of the Village, to attend our bi-monthly meetings. Further information can be obtained from any of the people above.

NORTHWOOD VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The Northwood Village Produce Association will be holding an "Informal Show" on Saturday 25th July, 2015 at the Northwood W. I. Hall. Further information and schedules can be obtained from Pat Ready on 01983 248287.

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"My Life – A Full Life"

The Vice Chairman welcomed Mr Paul Savill, Voluntary Sector Locality Link Officer of the new project. The project had been formed following collaboration between the IW Clinical Commissioning Group, the IW NHS Trust, the IW Council and the wide range of voluntary and community organisations on the island. The aim of the project was to fully integrate services and information sharing to improve the care of the elderly and the vulnerable. On the Isle of Wight 25% of the population was over 65years of age compared with an average of 17% across the South East. The target was to make a real difference to people, their carers and families whilst making better use of resources within the care and support system, as well as the wider community. A copy of the Care passport required to be completed by each client was circulated. This would provide very simplified but detailed information on the care and needs of each person, thus facilitating a seamless service from the multi-disciplinary teams involved.

Planning Application

Agricultural storage barn rear of 67 Oxford Street, Northwood – Demolition of agricultural building; proposed detached dwelling . After discussion, the Council confirms its concern with regard to the application, which could set an unwanted precedent for future backland development in this vicinity. The application site lay outside the development boundary. The concept to demolish an agricultural building to be replaced by a permanent residential dwelling was opposed. Councillors also maintained that the footpath alongside the proposed development was an important ancient footpath, and forming part of the Definitive map should be retained.

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GRASS

NORTHWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Thursday 14th May
at 2pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

Resolutions

COMPETITIONS: A piece of Royal Memorabilia, Best Garden Bloom
HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING

To hire the Hall please contact **Mary Chick** on **01983 296020**
Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

MEDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Monday 11th May
at 7.30pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

Resolutions Meeting

Update of Hedgehogs—Zoe Stroud

Update from Age Concern—Mark O'Sullivan

Competition: 'A Hedgehog' in any media form, Best garden bloom.
Bring & Buy

REFRESHMENTS: (J. Dimmick & ano)

Saturday 16th May—Spring Fayre

Wednesday 27th May—Annual Meeting at Medina Theatre
Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

NORTHWOOD VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The next meeting is on
FRIDAY 8th MAY, 2015

7.30 pm in the W. I. Hall, Northwood.

Speaker, Mr. Rob Mew

Propagating Your Plants

Bring & Buy Stall (No Bric-a-Bracs)

Visitors & New Members are always very Welcome - Contact 01983 248287

NORTHWOOD FLORAL ART GROUP

The next meeting is on **Monday 25th May 2015 at 7.30pm** in the
Northwood W.I. Hall.

In the Frame

Tea/Coffee and Cake £1.00

Membership is £18.00 per year

Visitors & New Members are always Welcome
Please contact **Sally Martin** on **01983 295416**



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MEETINGS

Meetings of the Parish Council are held on the first Tuesday of the month, commencing at 6.30pm.

The meeting of the Planning Committee, if required, is held on the third Tuesday of the month, commencing at 6.30pm.

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT NORTHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL, WYATTS LANE, NORTHWOOD.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND

The comments made in the following articles represent the views of the individual contributors, rather than Northwood Parish Council.

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APRIL PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Police news

In the absence of a representative from the Local Safety Neighbourhood Team councillors noted the email received from Sgt Mark Lyth. This set out a number of changes to the organisational structure of the Hampshire Constabulary on the Island. The newly named Wight Rural West Neighbourhood Policing Team would now fall under the responsibility of Sgt Lyth and be based over two sites, one in Yarmouth and the other in Cowes. PCs Knight, Pringle and PCSOs Howard, Clarke, Paul and Anker would form the team based in Cowes.

Due to the teams' workload individual crime statistics would not in future be provided. However, it was anticipated that a member of the Neighbourhood Policing Team would attend meetings of the Parish Council on a quarterly basis, with a monthly report being provided in the interim on their work undertaken.

Councillors considered this to be rather disappointing and suggested that invitations be sent to Sgt Lyth to attend the June meeting of the Parish Council, and also for a representative of Gurnard Parish Council and Cowes Town Council to be in attendance.

Future of the Post Office

Email correspondence had been circulated to councillors following the circulation of the agenda. This advised that successful negotiations had taken place between Ms Sue Calver, the postmistress of the Pallance Road post office and Mr Robert Worley, Field Change Advisor, of the Post Office Ltd. The Pallance Road branch is now open on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. A notification poster was being sent to the branch to inform customers of the change. The clerk had spoken to Ms Calver and she was content to maintain the service on a part time basis for the foreseeable future.

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