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DOG MESS STILL A PROBLEM

DOG owners are being urged to clean up any mess made by their animals.

The plea by the parish council, on behalf of many residents, is for dog owners to please pick up after their dog and make sure they keep an eye out on what their dog is up to during a walk. "There is no excuse good enough to risk someone losing their eyesight or contracting another illness. It's disgusting and if you are seen not picking up then you will be reported to the local warden and will be named and shamed."

CRICKET CLUB EARN PROMOTION

FLINTHAM Cricket Club had another successful year and gained promotion from Division F to Division E of the South Notts Cricket League under the captaincy of Matt Newcombe.

Barry Kelham and Steve Boswell ran the successful under 15 team and Paddy Dobb ran Kwik Cricket where a good number of youngsters turned up on a Friday evening.

Flintham, after many months of trying and thanks to Patrick Dobb, persuaded the league to start a Development Division which will suit the younger players and some senior players.

This division will have a shorter game of 32 overs instead of the more usual 45 or 50 overs. Flintham are one of seven teams to have signed up for the new format and will also field their usual team in Division E.

Groundsman Geoff Peatfield and Chairman David Cartledge each received a Presidents Trophy at the SNCL annual event in November for services to club and league.

The next meeting of the parish council takes place in the village hall on Monday February 5 and it will start at 6-30pm. Residents are welcome to attend and take part in the item at the end of the meeting which is aimed at allowing the public to put their points of view.

DANGER EYESORE — MORE MOVES BY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RUSHCLIFFE Borough Council have taken a new step forward towards the long awaited removal of the danger eyesore of the former Islamic School on the site of the RAF Officers Mess on the edge of the village.

Mr Dave Mitchell, Executive Manager Communities for Rushcliffe Borough Council says they have held a meeting with the landowner to again present their expectations of progress in firstly demolishing the existing buildings and then progressing with the development of the site in accordance with the agreed outline planning permission.

"Following several reminders the landowner confirmed on Monday 27 November that they are seeking quotations from approved demolition contractors for this work. The landowner has been informed that a lack of progress in instructing this work will result in more formal action seeking the demolition of the building."

Mr Mitchell said they have to ensure the landowner has been given every opportunity to correct the situation before this formal action is taken but if initiated it will enable the Borough Council to instruct the demolition works and place a charge on the land for the recovery of all costs when it is sold.

He added: "I hope this illustrates work is progressing to resolve this situation."

CAROLS — AND GIFTS OF WARM CLOTHING — FOR VILLAGE COMMUNITY CHOIR

FLINTHAM Community Choir, which now numbers about 50 people of all ages, had a busy run-up to Christmas when they sang festive songs at three places in Flintham on Friday 22 December.

During the performances, audiences were encouraged to donate warm clothing such as hats, gloves, socks and scarves which were taken to Emmanuel House, Nottingham to be distributed to the city's many homeless people.

Amanda Crawford, the choir's leader, said, "Flintham residents were very generous and the staff and volunteers at Emmanuel House send their thanks for all the warm clothing which will make a difference to a lot of people who have no choice but to sleep outside whatever the weather."

Defibrillators — another training event

ANOTHER defibrillator and CPR training day is planned in Flintham — on Saturday January 6 — now the village has its three units in place.

A good number of people attended the first evening session and this one will be a morning event, starting at 10-30am in the village hall. The event is obviously open to anyone from the village.

The defibrillators are positioned at the Village Hall, the Sports Pavilion and outside the property at 5 Coney Grey Spinney.

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WOODS AND SPRNG LANE CONDITION—WORK TO IMPROVE?

FLINTHAM parish council are calling on Notts County Council to carry out improvements to the road surface on Woods Lane.

Council chairman Coun. David Cartledge has written to Coun. John Cottee at Notts County Council where he is chairman of the committee looking after highways and reminded him of previous contact that had been made in regard to the road conditions on the adopted stretch of the Lane and also the stretch of Spring Lane bordered by properties and adjoining Main Street.

"During your parties previous time in administration these two areas were down to be re-surfaced but unfortunately this never happened. While I understand there are many roads throughout your area in urgent need of repair, including others in Flintham, I would like to point out however that Woods Lane does not have a footpath, being only one carriageway wide, and so people have to walk on the poorly lit lane at all times of day and sooner or later I foresee someone having an accident falling in one of the many pot-holes." said the Flintham chairman.

The parish council chairman has urged for the County to implement repairs to the existing surface as soon as possible.

OVERHEAD LINES — BT RESPOND TO PARISH COUNCIL COMPLAINT

BT OPENREACH have promised to investigate a complaint from the parish council in regard to new telegraph poles erected at Spring Lane at Flintham.

The parish council has asked why the lines could not have been installed underground as they have been in other villages.

In a letter to parish clerk Mike Elliott BT say the complaint will be investigated by their Openreach Planning teams and will ensure the objection is reviewed by the appropriate planning team as soon as they can. but add that some investigation can be quite complex and therefore may take a little longer than they would like. They also point out that they have a statutory right to install telecommunications apparatus in the public highway under the Telecommunications Act 1984 without prior consultations with local residents.

CHRISTMAS PRESENT FOR FLINTHAM MUSEUM

VOLUNTEERS at the Flintham museum received a very pleasant presents just before Christmas.

The Arts Council renewed the museum's national Accreditation status. Accreditation was first granted to the Flintham museum in 2001 and means that the volunteers maintain the same standards of Collection care and visitor engagement/enjoyment as the major national museums.

The assessment process is rigorous and Accreditation is highly regarded in the world of museums. Second, the museum received a generous donation from a Flintham resident who was thanked at a hastily convened 'committee meeting' - a good excuse to enjoy each others' company with some festive food and drink! An application has been submitted to the County Council's WWI Commemoration Fund. If the application is approved the museum volunteers will be recreating Flintham's Peace Day which was held in July 1919. Villagers looked back and remembered their dead, acknowledged the role that women had played during the war, and then looked to the future during an afternoon of games, tea and Sandwiches.

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