FAST LANE

With the opening of the M1 northbound to M6 link in July, the switching of the A14 to M6 westbound to its permanent alignment in August and opening the free-flow link from the M1 southbound to A14 in September, all major road connections at the Catthorpe interchange have now been completed. Traffic and speed restrictions through the junction are due to be lifted on November 7th, completing the main carriageway works.

Work is now continuing to finish the new Swinford to Catthorpe local link road, which will pass beneath the junction, through the old bridge and across the site of the infamous ‘dumb-bell’ roundabouts, with no access to the motorways or A14.

We are still likely to experience overnight closures into November to enable ancillary works to be completed, resulting in increased traffic on the A4304 and A5199.

SLOW LANE

As we noted in the September issue, Husband Bosworth School is hoping to introduce an Advisory 20mph Zone to improve safety in the vicinity of the school. If the proposal is accepted, the area covered will include the Kilworth Road and High Street approaches to the crossroads, and Welford Road outside the school. Lower vehicle speeds and improved driver behaviour has been noted where similar signs have been erected at sites elsewhere.

Advisory 20mph Zones are not only associated with reducing speeds, but also promote the feeling of a safer environment, where parents are more willing to allow their children to either walk or cycle as part of their journeys to and from school. As well as the associated environmental benefits this brings, it also promotes healthier lifestyles and encourages children to exercise.

ALL-CONKERING HEROES

A big thank you from the Conker and Welly Wanging Committee to everyone who helped at the recent Championships. We had a great day once again and managed to raise over £1200, enabling us to send donations of £450 to each of our two main charities: The Muscular Dystrophy Association and The Stroke Association, as well as supporting a number of worthy causes within the village.

The winners were:

Conkers
Men: James Shelley, Ladies: Christine Fernandes
Child age 13-18: Callum Clarke
Child age 9-12: Elliott Hurrell
Child age 6-8: George Garner-Jones
Team: Soggy Biscuits

Welly Wanging
Men: James Shelley, Ladies: Sam Bell
Boys age 11-15: Harris Pole
Girls age 11-15: Georgina Fisher
Child age 10 & under: Isabelle Davies

POWER STRUGGLE

Plans have been tabled to build a giant diesel-powered generating plant next to the Catthorpe interchange. A bank of 50 stand-by generating units is planned, to back up National Grid electricity supplies during short periods of peak demand.
POSTBAG

Open Letter from Husbands Bosworth Parish Council

Husbands Bosworth Parish Council (HBPC) has a number of projects in the pipeline, which we are encouraging parishioners to be involved in. Recently, Councillors met consultants with a view to starting a Neighbourhood Plan, which will look at the development of the village over the next 25 years. The main area will be planning, including the identification of possible sites for future development. More information on how parishioners can will be involved will follow shortly.

On Tuesday, November 15th 2016 we will be holding the HBPC Precept Meeting in the Village Hall Committee Room at 7.45pm. This meeting is to set the budget for the 2017-18 financial year. This year we will be looking at increasing the budget for a number of reasons, including the reduction of services from the county and district councils and the need for the parish council to increase services to compensate. We also need to be aware of the possibility of capping of the Precept in the near future. Additionally, we need to budget for a change in the financial management of the Sports Pavilion. Parishioners are entitled and indeed welcome, to attend this meeting.

Finally, the Parish Council is looking to set up a Section 106 Funding Group. Section 106 funding is generated by new developments and is made available to organisations for the upgrading of services to accommodate the population increases following the development. Funding can be applied for by existing organisations/services or for new ideas. If you think your organisation could qualify for funding or, as a parishioner, you feel there is a project the parish council should be looking at, please contact a Council member or the Clerk (01858 880910). An initial meeting for interested parties will take place prior to the Parish Council Meeting at 7.00 pm on Tuesday, December 6th 2016 in the Village Hall Committee Room. For further information on any of the above, please contact Councillor Bill Fletcher on 01858 880910.

POLICE FILE

IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON ANY CRIMINAL ACTIVITY CALL MARKET HARBOROUGH POLICE on 101

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stephenbilbie@btinternet.com
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Last month we noted that Welford’s traffic group, the Welford Action Group (WAG) had received encouraging responses from some of the car transporter operators using the Bruntingthorpe vehicle storage facility. Car transporter movements are the bane of those living on the A5199 through Welford and Bosworth. Four of the main operators agreed to advise their drivers to use the more appropriate Pincet Lane route and asked that villagers report any of their vehicles using the A5199. If you do see any transporters using the A5199 take the registration number and time and report it to: welfordactiongroup@mail.com

WATCH WORD

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME WITHIN HUSBANDS BOSWORTH

Residents are urged to be vigilant following reports of two vehicles in the area on the same day, with male occupants asking about scrap metal. Residents are reminded to ring 101 if they feel that there is any activity that they feel is unusual or suspicious. In a second incident, there has been a theft of tools from a workshop and Lutterworth Police would like to take this opportunity to advise residents to keep an updated review of their security arrangements.

As we approach winter it would be a good opportunity to check that your vehicle is in good shape for the cold weather. Breakdowns can double in cold weather, so booking your car in for a winter check-up would be a good idea or, if you are a keen DIY mechanic, you could check your own vehicle’s ‘vital signs’!

A reminder to residents: There will be a Police Beat Surgery at Lutterworth Library on Friday November 4th, 2.30pm - 4.30pm. If you are in Lutterworth and would like to drop in to The Library to speak to a police officer on any aspect of local policing, we would love to see you.

SID REPORT

Readings from the Speed Indicator Device

Theddingworth Road (Inbound)
Period: 21.09.16 - 28.09.16
Vehicle movements: 14916 Av./day: 2131
Average speed: 31.37mph
Highest recorded speed: 63mph

Theddingworth Road (inbound)
Period: 28.09.16 - 05.10.16
Vehicle movements: 14652 Av./day: 2093
Average speed: 31.49mph
Highest recorded speed: 69mph

Berridges Lane (Inbound)
Period: 05.10.16 - 12.10.16
Vehicle movements: 7326 Av./day: 916
Average speed: 22.46mph
Highest recorded speed: 37mph

Berridges Lane (Inbound)
Period: 12.10.16 - 19.10.16
Vehicle movements: 6996 Av./day: 875
Average speed: 22.54mph
Highest recorded speed: 35mph
**BOSWORTH IN FOCUS**

**WEATHER LOG**

| SEPTEMBER 2016 | [2015]| Rain: 44.5mm (1.8") | [57mm]| Wettest day: 13mm (0.5")/14mm| Highest temp: 28°C | [23°C]| Lowest Temp: 5.5°C | [3.5°C]| 

**A TASTE OF BOSWORTH**

A simple fruit loaf that is quick to make using the rubbing-in method and keeps for up to a week. Ideal for afternoon tea or a picnic.

**Apricot and Prune Loaf**

125g dried apricots  
125g dried prunes  
175g butter- diced  
2 eggs- beaten  
225g self raising flour  
1/2 tsp salt  
125g caster sugar  
2 tablespoons milk

Method  
Heat oven to 180°C, Gas Mark 4. Grease a 450g (1lb) loaf tin. Place dried fruit in a bowl, cover with boiling water and leave for 10 minutes. Drain liquid and chop fruit into bite sized pieces- set aside. In a separate bowl, sift flour and salt together. Rub in butter until mixture resembles breadcrumbs. Stir in sugar and chopped fruit. Then add beaten eggs and milk, and mix lightly. Pour mixture into loaf tin and bake for 1 hour - 1 hour 15 mins, until top is browned and skewer inserted into the middle comes out clean. Leave to cool - store in an airtight tin.

*Jackie Kerr*

**WILD ABOUT BOSWORTH**

What moth is that?  
There are around 2,500 species of moths in the UK. So, how do you tell one from another? Firstly, is it a moth or one of the 59 UK species of butterfly? Well, moths fly at night and butterflies in the day. Except some moths fly during the day, and some butterflies occasionally fly at night... Butterflies rest with their wings upright over their backs, but so do some moths. Anatomically, only moths have a small hook that locks their fore and hind wings together. However, living lepidoptera are rarely willing to sit still under a microscope. Truthfully though, if you don’t recognise it as a butterfly, it’s almost certainly a moth. So, the first step towards identification should be to look for the culprit amongst an identity parade of usual suspects - common varieties. If that fails, there are books showing hundreds of pictures of brown and tan moths, which you can compare with the brown and tan one you saw.

I’ve frequently seen individuals of the pictured species, and it didn’t take long to discover it’s an ‘Angle Shades’ - *Phlogophora meticulosa*. This specimen was seen resting on a black bin, but amongst the leaf litter they’re virtually indistinguishable from the scattered debris. Angle Shades caterpillars can cause damage to herbaceous plants. The RHS suggests seeking out the offenders after dark, then relocating them to a patch of brambles or nettles.

**SULBY GARDENS**

Sulby Gardens will be open on Thursday, November 17th, 1.00pm to 4.00pm, when late autumn colour will be the focus of the final open day at Sulby Gardens for the 2016 season. Sulby Gardens Apple Juice and homemade teas will be available and copies of *The Story of Sulby Gardens*, including Sulby Hall, Husbands Bosworth wartime aerodrome and the Polish Resettlement Camp will be on sale at a special promotional price for garden visitors.

Admission to the Gardens is £4 per head, children are free, in aid of the National Gardens Scheme. Stout footwear is recommended. Sulby Gardens, Sulby, Northants NN6 6EZ

*Mike Chanter*

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**APOLOGY**

Oops... Due to the Editor failing to scroll to the bottom of Eleanor Murphy’s email the following paragraph was unfortunately omitted from last month’s Horticultural Show report:  
“Many thanks to our sponsors, cake bakers and all those who made the show so successful; especially FOBS in helping with the set up, clear up and in the kitchen - many hands make much lighter and swifter work! Lastly, thanks to the preschool and primary school children for the colourful, thoughtful and skilled horticultural paintings and posters.”

**DIANE E. HALL**

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We are having a great Autumn Term at school. The children across the school have been enjoying their topics based around Construction, The Great Fire of London, The Stone Age and World War II. We had a fantastic Harvest Service where the parents and children gave offerings for the Lutterworth & Villages Food Bank.

We are very fortunate that the ‘Open the Book’ group and the ‘JIM JAMs’ group come to the school to read and act out stories from the Bible. The children and staff, really enjoy this and it helps us all to reflect. A big thank you from all of us at the school.

I would just like to leave you with a short extract from Rowan Cochrane’s (Class 4) evacuation description;

‘With a gas mask strapped around my shoulders and the handle of a small suitcase around my fingers, I knew it was time. The cries of children made me more nervous by the second. I did not know where my mum was, she had been torn away from me by the crowds of children and parents. I was in no rush to get on the train but as the train whistle screeched through the station, I boarded the train almost sure I would regret it later.’

The London & North Western Railway opened the Rugby to Stamford railway in 1850 as an attempt to join the industries and population of the west Midlands to the lucrative markets in the eastern counties. Engineered from the outset as double track, the line was initially laid single, the second track not being laid until 1878.

The value of the anticipated traffic through the largely rural east Leicestershire countryside had been over-estimated and more profitable links directly to Northampton, and hence Peterborough, ensured that the branch never realised any great commercial potential.

Locally, however, by the time this month’s photograph was taken in 1964, the line was serving as a convenient short-haul connection to Rugby, handy for serving the colossal British Thomson-Houston (BTH) works, a major electrical engineering and heavy industrial company, which employed many local people.

The photograph shows an early diesel multiple unit (DMU) light passenger train heading for Rugby under the Leicester Road bridge, north of Husbands Bosworth. By the number of passengers peering out into the frosty morning the service appears to be well subscribed at this time. However, Dr. Beeching’s axe was poised; goods traffic had ceased only 12 months previously on April 6th 1964 and the line finally closed to all traffic on June 6th 1966.

Interestingly, the train in our picture carries yellow safety panels on the front. These were introduced in the early 1960s when electric and diesel units were replacing steam locos. Being far quieter, workmen working on the line found the new locos difficult to anticipate as they approached and so new regulations were introduced for all diesel and electric trains to have yellow warning panels on the front ends. This requirement still exists today.
ACTIVITY GROUPS

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Historical Society will be on Wednesday, November 2nd, when military historian, Dr. John Sutton, will be telling us ‘The Story of the Unknown Warrior’, a poignant tale at this time of Remembrance.

On Armistice Day in 1920 the body of an unidentified British soldier, who had died on a Great War battlefield was reburied with full state honours in Westminster Abbey as this country’s tribute to the many thousands of ‘Soldiers known only unto God’ who died in service of their country.

The meeting is at 7.30pm in the Church Hall, Honeypot Lane and is open to all.

VILLAGE LUNCH

The next Village Lunch will be on Thursday, November 24th at Kilworth Springs Golf Club. Meet as usual at 12.30pm. The cost of the two-course meal, including coffee, tea and mints is only £7.50 per person.

The Village Lunch Christmas Meal will be on Tuesday, December 20th. If you would like to join the group for this special dinner and won’t be at the November meal, when Janice will be taking names, please call her on 880668 to book.

BOSWORTH TOPS

Bosworth Tots is a stay-and-play session for tots (from birth to pre-school) and their parents, grandparents, carers and child minders. The group meets from 9.30am to 11.30am (term time only) on Thursday mornings at Husbands Bosworth Village Hall. The cost is £2.50 for one child and then 50p for every additional child after that. For more details email: bosworthtots@hotmail.co.uk

BUGLE CRACKER

Someone posted on my Facebook page: How many blonds does it take to change a lightbulb? I thought it was a joke, but it continued: Need to know ASAP!

CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Committee Room of the Village Hall. If you have a pastime or craft that is relatively portable and would welcome the opportunity to meet like-minded ‘crafty’ folk away from the distractions of home-life, why not come along? A small fee is charged to cover hire and a cuppa.

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Report of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, October 4th 2016.
Four Parish Councillors and County Councillor Graham Hart were present.

Visitors’ Questions
- Queries were raised with County Councillor Hart concerning the poor road markings in general around the village and on Welford Road, in particular. Councillor Hart agreed to raise the matter with Highways.
- Councillor Hart discussed the proposed revision of constituency boundaries, which may mean that Bosworth would move into a new parliamentary constituency of Daventry & Lutterworth.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved

Cemetery
- Council noted that the pathways had been sprayed as requested.
- It was noted that some work was needed to trim back overgrown yews. Clerk to obtain quotes.
- Concerns were raised regarding the condition of the paintwork on the roadside railings. Work was carried out last year but in places the paint is already beginning to peel off. Council suggested that the paint may have been incompatible with the original and Clerk was asked to contact the contractor.

Playing Field & Play Area
- Members discussed the quotations received for replacing the fencing on the Pavilion car park and installing a full-width gateway onto the Playing Field adjacent to the Scout Hut. A further quote was expected.

Allotments
- Clerk informed Council that one plot was to be cleared ready for re-letting. One vacated plot had been re-let.

Traffic Issues
- In a report of a recent Welford Action Group meeting Council noted that the group had written to a number of HGV operators that use the Bruntingthorpe site. Four of the major users had acknowledged the traffic problems along the A5199 to the A14 route and had issued their drivers with instructions to use a preferred route along Pincet Lane and the A4304, avoiding Bosworth and Welford.

Accounts
- Monthly accounts were presented and approved.
- Members discussed a new requirement for regulatory safeguarding of accounting procedures.

Planning Issues
- Concerns were raised about rumours that the doctors’ surgery element of the proposed Davidson’s development on Welford Road was in question. Clerk was asked to seek clarification from the developer.

Correspondence
- A cemetery capacity study had been called by the local authority. Clerk estimated that, at present, 245 burial of ashes plots and 372 burial plots were available, which would satisfy the parishes requirement for more than 30 years.

Any Other Business
- Council discussed concerns raised by the Leicestershire Association of Parish Councils about the prospect of precept capping for parish councils. At present parish council precepts are not restricted by capping. However, central government is looking at bringing parishes in line with district and county councils, which must restrict any rise in their portions of Council Tax to less than 2%. Councillors were concerned that the extra housing developments proposed for Bosworth and the extra responsibilities being devolved to the parish from County and District should be considered when future precepts were being calculated.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday, November 1st, 2016 at 7.45pm in the Committee Room of the Village Hall.
There will be a Precept Meeting on Tuesday, November 15th 2016 at 7.45pm in the Committee Room of the Village Hall at which the Parish Precept for 2017-18 will be set.
METHODIST CHURCH
Coffee Morning
Wednesday, November 16th
10.00am-12.00noon.
at the home of John & Margaret Scurrah
25 High Street
Visitors always welcome.

CHAIR OF CHURCH NEWS
All Saints Parish Church, Methodist Chapel & St. Mary’s Roman Catholic Church

FROM THE RECTORY
When we appreciate the warm reds, oranges and golds of the changing leaf colours set against clear blue skies and autumn sunshine – is that wonder?
When we watch a new born baby, tiny hands reaching out, making gurgling noises, watching you in return, in all its perfection, in its beauty and its determined fight for life, is that awe?
When we are grateful for our families and friends, for their companionship and support, for the love we share, is that thanksgiving?
When we recognise, appreciate and are lifted by the many good things that come to us which are outside our control or ownership and yet are ours, the world we live in, the basic goodness in others, is that praise?
When we wish for safety or protection for our loved ones near or far, when we cry out in times of trouble, when we long for an end to fighting and poverty, is that prayer?
When we sense that we are not alone, when peace and assurance settles on our hearts and minds, when joy comes unexpectedly, when we know we are valued and loved – is that the presence of God?
Maybe we are all closer to a life of worship than we think.
Praying you will know awe and wonder, praise and thanksgiving, prayer and presence in your lives each day. Liz

Parish Notices
Maureen Mary Garner
formerly of Glebe Farm
Died October 2nd 2016
Age 90 years
R.I.P.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL
The Christmas Festival will take place at All Saints Church on Saturday, December 3rd and Sunday 4th from 10.00am to 5.00pm. The theme for this year is ‘Gifts’ and anyone can enter an exhibit free of charge from any of the benefice villages. Please contact Lorrie on 880281 or Belinda on 880968 if you would like an entry form. We hope many of you will come and see the wonderful displays in the church (admission is £2.50 with children under 14 free). We have refreshments, music and some competitions including a superb Christmas cake prize. The funds this year will be going to help with re-roofing our south aisle which, at the moment, leaks like a sieve whenever it rains! The festival will end with a service at 5.00pm on Sunday 4th. Everyone welcome.

RICH HARVEST
A big thank you to all the generous donations made for All Saints Harvest Festival, also to the School for all their gifts and the lovely service they organised. We have been able to send 11 large bags to the Lutterworth Food Bank together with £21, which was kindly donated on the Sunday for coffee and cakes after the service. Our gifts will be well-used by many needy families who find themselves in crisis.

ALL SAINTS FLOWER ROTA
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Lorrie Forman
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DIARY DATES for NOVEMBER

- **Tuesday, 1st**: Parish Council meeting, 7.45pm Committee Room, Village Hall
- **Wednesday, 2nd**: Historical Society talk: ‘The Story of the Unknown Warrior’, 7.30pm Church Hall
- **Friday, 11th**: Causeway Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 11.30am Church Hall
- **Tuesday, 15th**: Parish Council Precept Meeting, 7.45pm Committee Room, Village Hall
- **Friday, 18th**: Mobile Library
- **Saturday, 19th**: Millennium Wood work party, 9.30am - 12.30pm
- **Thursday, 24th**: Village Lunch, 12.30pm Kilworth Springs Golf Club
- **Saturday, 26th**: FOBS Christmas Event (See Front Page)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- **Sat., Dec., 3rd & Sun. 4th**: All Saints Christmas Festival
- **Wed., Dec. 7th**: Historical Society Christmas Quiz & Social Evening
- **Sat., Dec. 17th**: Millennium Wood work party (with festive refreshments!)
- **Tues., Dec. 20th**: Village Lunch Christmas Meal
- **Sat., January 14th 2017 ‘Govannen’ Celtic music concert, Village Hall
- **Fri., February 24th 2017**: Village Hall Quiz

LOCAL PLANNING NEWS

The following applications have been submitted to Harborough District Council:

- **16/01471/OUT COMM/JOR [Leicestershire County Council]** Outline application for the erection of up to 32 dwellings (access to be considered), land adj Knights Close, Welford Road

Recently determined applications:

- **16/01004/FUL [Mr D Hall]** Erect two storey side & rear extension and single storey rear extension, 27 School Lane (Approved)
- **16/01181/FUL [Mrs R Heard]** Erection of a two storey side extension, Hill House, Welford Road (Approved)
- **16/01311/TCA [Mrs Heighton]** Works to trees (fell), 4 Hillcrest Lane (Approved)
- **16/01325/TCA [Mr S Bunn]** Works to trees, 6 Kilworth Road (Approved)

Current applications may be inspected during normal working hours at the Council Offices, The Symington Building, Adam & Eve Street, Market Harborough. Comments concerning planning applications should be addressed to the Development Control Manager.

Planning applications and other aspects of local government can now be viewed on-line at www.harboroughonline.co.uk

MOBILE LIBRARY

NOTE CHANGES TO SERVICE

The Mobile Library will now be calling on the third Friday of each month.

STOPS & TIMES

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