

KISLINGBURY NEWS

February & March 2022



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Parish Council Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month in Kislingbury Village Hall at 7.30pm. All meetings begin with an opportunity for villagers to ask questions or raise matters of concern. The press and members of the public are welcome to attend.

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Village Diary

January

29th 'Come and Say Hello' session with Parish Council, Cricket Club, 10.30am

February

14th Valentine's Party, Village Hall, 7.30 till late

15th Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm

23rd Messy Vintage, St Luke's Church, 2.30pm - 4.30pm

27th 'Come and Say Hello' session with Parish Council, Cricket Club, 10.30am

29th Kislingbury Friendship Club, 2.30pm, Village Hall

March

15th Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm

22nd Kislingbury Friendship Club, 2.30pm, Village Hall

27th 'Come and Say Hello' session with Parish Council, Cricket Club, 10.30am

27th Mothering Sunday Service, St Luke's Church, 11.00am

30th Messy Vintage, St Luke's Church, 2.30pm - 4.30pm

April

9th Litter Pick, more details in the next edition

Regular Events

Play Group open during Term Time at Village Hall

Bugbrooke and District Flower Club. 4th Monday of the month,

7.30, Nether Heyford Village Hall

Bell Ringing Monday Nights 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Pilates - Tuesday, 2pm at Village Hall

Kislingbury Parish Council meets 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Village Hall

Kraft Shack Group - Every Wednesday - 8pm

further information - Tel: 07788737052 or 01604 754518 or

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Voyage of Light every 2nd Tuesday of the month excluding January and August.

KOFs - Every Thursday 10.30am at the Village Hall

Line Dance Classes in Village Hall - Thursday, Beginners 12.30 -13.30

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Art Group - Thursday afternoons at the Village Hall 2pm - 4pm

Cycle Club - Meets at Sun Inn every Saturday at 9.30am

Kislingbury Parish Council January 2022

These notes highlight some of the many issues that the Parish Council is involved with and supplement the publicly available minutes which are available online (on the Parish Council website) and on the notice boards around the village.

The Parish Council meets at the Village Hall at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month apart from August. Since the last set of Parish Council Notes (November 2022) our two most recent meetings were on 7th December 2021 and 18th January 2022. The next two meetings will be on 15th February 2022 and 15th March 2022.

Kislingbury residents are always most welcome to attend any Parish Council meeting and have an opportunity to raise any issues as part of the Parishioner's Voice agenda item. Parishioner's Voice is a very direct way of raising issues and concerns with your Parish Council. This item is always early on the agenda, you do not have to stay for the whole meeting.

However, the Parish Council recognises that not everyone would wish to come out on a Tuesday night, especially during the winter months. We are therefore continuing the 'Come and say hello' sessions on the last Sunday morning of the month at the Cricket Club. At these sessions Janet Mallett (the Vice Chair) and I are available to discuss any concerns you might have and to report them back to the Parish Council.

We have agreed with the cricket club to run another three sessions. The next sessions at the Cricket Club will be on Sunday, 29th January, Sunday, 27th February and Sunday, 27th March, all at 10.30 a.m. Please do come along.

The Parish Council still has one vacancy. We are still waiting for the complicated process run by Electoral Services of the West Northants Council to run its course but do keep an eye out for requests for people to stand and do consider putting yourself forward.

The November 2021 meeting welcomed Deni Topliss, who is the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator. Deni had a piece in the previous (December 2021/January 2022) Kislingbury News. In this Deni raised the issue of streets that are without Street Representatives. She repeated this concern. The Parish Council supports her call for people living on Ashby Court, Bugbrooke Road and the High Street to come forward. The Parish Council also agreed to pay for some more NHW street signs. Deni pointed

out that although crime is rare in Kislingbury, it does happen, so it is in everyone's interest that the entire village is covered.

The January 2022 Parish Council meeting welcomed both Dennis Tidmarsh and Phil Beeston. Dennis updated us on the current situation in relation to the drains around the village. In a nutshell (and thanks to Dennis' tireless efforts) the drains are currently in good working order and have been unblocked after a long period of neglect. Dennis pointed out that they have not been fully tested out by very heavy rainfall as yet. Dennis also informed the Parish Council that he has concerns about whether sufficient information about the location of drains has been passed to the new firm that has taken over the clearing of the drains. He is endeavouring to ensure that the necessary information is passed on. He is also concerned that they do not always do as thorough a job as may be required to ensure that the drains do not become blocked again and increase the risk of flooding within the village.

Phil Beeston has two roles, Chair of the Playing Fields' Association and Footpath Warden. In the former capacity, Phil was able to update us on the progress of the fundraising to refurbish the children's playground. Phil shared the design of the new playground. The aim is to raise £120,000 in total. Phil told us that good progress had been made despite the pandemic. The Parish Council will support this initiative as best it can and encourages any local businesses and individuals who may be able to help to get in touch with Phil.

Phil also outlined the extensive range of footpaths that exist in and around Kislingbury. The Parish Council will explore ways of making these walks better known, for example seeing if it is possible to access a footpath map that could be included when the website is improved.

In the last notes I mentioned that the Parish Council is hoping to improve the state of the footbridge by the road bridge. I also mentioned that we are trying to get something done about the poor state of the village mill pond and to get a second VAS sign replaced. I can not report any definite progress on these as yet. All these are examples of the delay that can be caused by the difficulty of persuading local government, government agencies and commercial companies to do what we would like them to do. A Parish Council relies heavily on the power of persuasion but this often cuts very little ice. I will report on any progress as soon as I am able.

You will probably have noticed that development on the Rothersthorpe Road by Spitfire Homes has begun in earnest. The Parish Council continues to have major concerns

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about the safety of pedestrian access, particularly for children going to school, along the Rothersthorpe Road. West Northants Highways seem to be convinced that this is not a busy road and that a 'passive crossing' is adequate. We continue to press for a safer solution.

At our December 2021 meeting the Parish Council agreed an increase in the precept paid by Kislingbury Parish Council from £28,000 to £32,000. This increase is necessary because the increase in electricity prices means that it will cost more to keep the street lights lit. We are also in the process of changing the website so that a greater range of information will be available to Parishioners.

On 13th January 2021, I was made to feel very welcome by the Kislingbury Over-Fifties (KOFs). The members submitted 8 questions in advance on topics including parking at junctions, the location of the monthly Sunday Morning 'surgery', the extent of motorway barriers, a Kislingbury PCSO, the possibility of lights on the river road bridge, the Platinum Jubilee, the precept and the provision of information about Parish Councillors.

In response to my responses, KOFs have made 4 suggestions. These suggestions were discussed at Parish Council and will be taken forward. I have been thanked by KOFs for my presentation. I have offered to return to a future meeting and would repeat this offer to any village-based organisation.

One of the issues raised by KOFs was the issue of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations over the 4-day holiday at the start of June. The Parish Council has been made aware that plans are afoot for village celebrations. The Parish takes the view that these celebrations do require coordination to avoid duplication and is very happy to support as best it can.

On Behalf of Kislingbury {Parish Council}, Jonathan Hughes

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“MESSY VINTAGE” – Wednesdays, 23rd February and 30th March **- 2.30pm – 4.30pm**

All are very welcome. We usually have afternoon tea with quizzes and puzzles followed by an activity. Come and join us.

PUDDING PARTY



Enormous thanks to all those involved in the Pudding Party on 21st January. It was a wonderful evening and greatly enjoyed.

Thank you especially to Sarah and Dawn for their organisation, all the ladies who provided the scrumptious sweets, and to all the background “staff”.

A few extra pounds in weight have been added!

CHURCH TREASURER – ST LUKE’S CHURCH

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Keith Robertson. Keith took over as church treasurer from Leslie Hartwell and he worked tirelessly for St Luke’s.

We shall miss Keith dreadfully, not only for his advice and guidance but also his sense of humour!

We send our deepest condolences to Sue and all the family.

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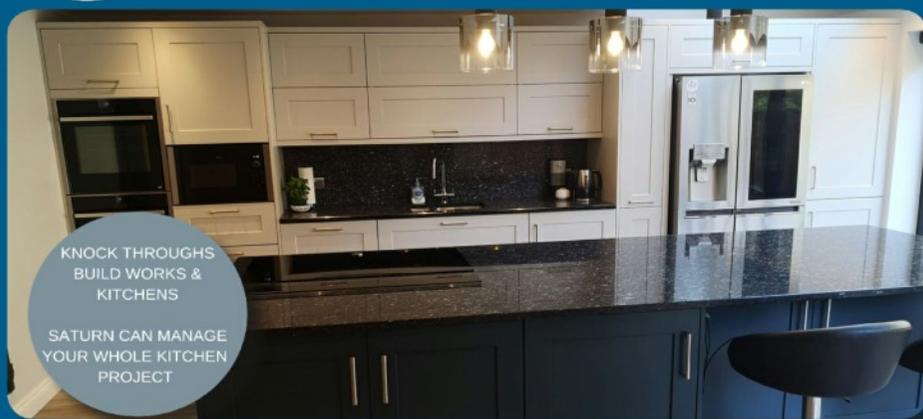


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If you have any photographs, documents or anything of interest please get in touch.

Anne Upton 833422

Felicity Dunkley 830514

Kislingbury Highways Charity Grant 2021 Applications

Applications are invited from clubs, organisations or groups from within the village for financial help or to improve their facilities. Applications must not have received help from the rating system when initially formed.

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DECEMBER 2020 FLOODING ISSUES---UPDATE No.6

So my comment in the last issue is not true! It was not my final report. I have had my doubts regarding the Drain (gully) Cleaning Contract and just how often they were actually cleaned. Before Christmas I happened to walk down Church Lane and came across a Drain Line tanker cleaning drains at the bottom of The Orchard. I introduced myself to the operatives and asked which drains they would be doing on this particular visit. They explained that they had a tablet with the drains marked on a map showing their location. On looking at this I found quite a few drains were not shown and therefore would never be cleaned.

Eventually I managed to get in touch with someone from the Highways Dept. and about three weeks ago two Highways' men came to the village for a meeting. It appears that the previous contractor, Conways, lost the contract and Drain Line (a national organisation) took over the contract, but Conways had taken all the maps with drain locations on away with them!! So in a weak moment I agreed for Highways to send me a map of the village and I will mark it up with the gully and chamber locations. As I type this report I am still waiting for the map?

Surprisingly the gullies do not join up together, but an outlet pipe from a gully can cross the road to a chamber and in this case the chamber could be the responsibility of Highways or Anglian Water. Drain Line should clean out the pipes going to the chamber. It is messy and would be far better for one organisation to be responsible for the gully, pipes and chambers.

12 months have elapsed since we started all of the work to rectify flooding issues but we are making slow progress. Watch this space!

Dennis Tidmarsh—Flood Warden

ST LUKE'S CHURCH – CHURCH TREASURER

Following the very sad death of Keith Robertson, our church treasurer, St Luke's is once again urgently in need of a new treasurer. Keith worked very hard initially to ensure that the workings of the church finances were as simple and straightforward as possible, and this he achieved.

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Final decisions on allocation of funds to these applications will be made by the Trustees of the Charity in association with the organising committee.



**KISLINGBURY COMMUNITY
GROUP**

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to support our Christmas market on November 27th, in spite of the bad weather. Thanks to your generous support the event was a great success enjoyed by all, including the stall holders. Definitely a repeat for next year!

As a result, in addition to our Summer Buffet and Jazz Night, KCG were able to provide the following funds :-

- contribution to the cost of reindeers on The Green, December 19th.
- Provision of large Christmas hampers to those in need in the village.
- Provision of transportation for all the children in the village school to see the Christmas show at the Royal and Dergate.

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and

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at

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at

10.30 a.m. Sunday, 29th January 2022

&

10.30 a.m. Sunday, 27th February 2022

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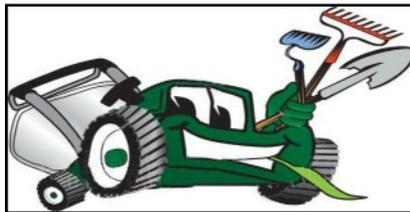
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Kislingbury over Fifties

February/March



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KOFS' FUTURE ACTIVITIES

- FEB** Mandarin Lunch
- APR** Afternoon Tea / Quiz /Entertainment
- JUNE** 9th, Queens Jubilee Celebrations Village Hall
- JULY** Severn Valley Railway Trip
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- NOV** Cambridge Christmas Market
- DEC** KOFS' Christmas Party

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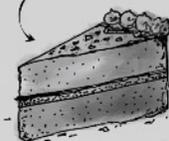
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BUGBROOKE AND DISTRICT FLOWER SOCIETY

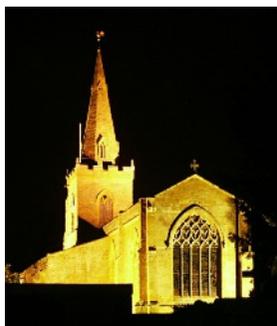
Our January meeting was our AGM which we were thankfully able to hold at the Village Hall in Nether Heyford. We are now looking forward to what we hope will be a year of Friendship, Flowers and Fun .

We have meetings on the fourth Monday in the month starting at 7.30pm, this is a new start time for 2022. We have a full programme arranged for the year beginning with a demonstration by Lee Berrill and his title is 'Wonderful World' and in March Louisa Rigden with 'Spring Delights '.

We are hoping to hold a workshop sometime in March or April and a coach trip to a Flower Festival at Lincoln Cathedral in August. The society is also planning to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee by holding a Flower Festival in June in Bugbrooke Church. We are still in the planning of this and more information will be in the next Village News.

We welcome new members and visitors to our meetings, visitors fee is £5.00 including refreshments. No participation is required just come along and enjoy an evening of relaxation and entertainment.

For more information please contact Dianne 01604 830063 or Simone 01327 342167



LIGHT UP ST LUKE'S

The draw for December was completed and the lucky no. was 14 which belonged to Sandra McCormish. Many thanks to Bridget Goss who drew Sandra's ticket.

We are looking for a collector in the High Street for January next year, if you are able to do this on a yearly basis, please could you contact me. We also have a few numbers left for the draw, if anyone would like to be included in Light up St Luke's or indeed would like an additional number please get in touch.

Congratulations to Sandra and thank you also to Bridget. Stay safe, keep well.

Deni Topliss Mob 07754471120

Kislingbury Amblers



We are a group of like minded individuals who meet usually twice a month to have a walk of about 5 miles in the local area. Due to the current restrictions all information will be sent out by email giving times and meeting places when walks can re-start.

If you are not on our email list and would like to join the group
please phone 07758225140.

ALL ARE WELCOME

November 2021

Ten Amblers set off from the car park in Castle Ashby for the 2½ hour walk. We soon reached our first destination, the small village of Easton Maudit. By the church, at the crossroads in the village, there stands a very old tree with a seat placed below which some of our walkers took advantage of for a short rest.

It was then on towards Grendon, crossing several fields in the process (although I have to admit we did get a little lost for a short while). Luckily, a young lady tending her horses, pointed us in the right direction. So much for pre-walking the route! We eventually reached Grendon and proceeded down an alleyway, opposite what used to be the Crown Public House. No refreshment here so onwards and upwards to return to our starting point.

Lunch was taken at the Billing Garden Centre which was very enjoyable and very welcome.

December 2021

Eleven Amblers took our walk of approximately 5 miles from the village of Cransley, which is around 1.5 miles this side of Kettering. Beginning from outside, the unfortunately closed Three Cranes pub, we left the village by following an open bridleway for just over a mile in the direction of Kettering, where there were some lovely views over open countryside, and of Kettering itself in the distance. After passing under a disused railway bridge, our walk took us down to, and briefly parallel with, the noisy A14. After a brief problem locating a stile, we walked on for a short while before turning away again, initially across some fields, and then a short distance on a road. This part of the walk was not without incident, when after pausing for a refreshment break, (involving early Christmas liqueur chocolates), we encountered a sheep caught up on a barbed wire fence. Some of our experienced amblers managed to get hold of the unfortunate animal and get it free, before we headed on towards the very pretty village of Thorpe Malsor.

After a second short break opposite the gates of Thorpe Malsor Hall, adorned with some impressive stone eagles, we headed on up the main street, to the attractive All Saints Church. Here we took a footpath, which led us out of the village, and downhill to the little known Cransley Reservoir. This reservoir is now privately owned, and is home to a well-supported sailing club. Unfortunately, it's not possible to walk around the water, so we crossed the dam, past the club house and uphill towards a road leading back to Cransley. We crossed one last field, and passed through some houses emerging opposite the pub, and back to our starting point. A slightly, gloomy, sometimes damp, but very enjoyable walk. Most of the amblers then retired to The Hare public house at Loddington, for what proved to be a very enjoyable lunch, to round off our first walk in December.

Second December Walk

Setting off from the Red Lion in Kislingbury we headed out of the village towards the Weedon Road. Having crossed that road we turned right and walked towards Northampton. On the way losing three walkers, one with his grandson and the third for medical reasons, - claiming to have a heavy cold and to have continued would jeopardise the chances of enjoying Xmas lunch following the walk! It is worth noting that the writer also caught this cold from this person on a previous close encounter but soldiered manfully on and enjoyed Xmas lunch. As we turned left up along the road to nowhere we spied a swan watching us with great interest. On reaching the top off the hill we turned right heading towards the Saint Crispin estate, three old codgers stopped to enjoy the view of the fine warehouses spread out before them and suddenly realised they had no idea which way the walkers had gone. Staying quiet and listening, voices were heard booming out and they realised the correct route to take. Skirting the estate we made our way back to the Weedon Road, our beloved leader being disappointed not to have seen one of the robots delivering shopping. We crossed the Weedon Road and headed down towards Upton Mill, through Upton Country Park back to the Red Lion for Xmas Lunch.

We began our **first walk of the New Year** with eleven Amblers meeting up at the bottom of High Street, Ecton and walking through the village, passing the World's End Inn (too early for a beverage stop!) Here we crossed the old A45 and proceeded along the lane leading to Sywell Country Park. Upon arrival we took the clockwise route around the reservoir. With good weather on our side, the walk proved to be very enjoyable, plus the keen bird spotters amongst us were not disappointed.

Eventually we returned to our starting point where lunch was enjoyed at the World's End Inn.

A very happy and healthy New Year to you all from the Amblers.



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DIAGNOSTICS

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MOTs (can be carried out while you
wait, by appointment only)

WELDING

Now completing Bike MOTs starting on the 23rd June 2018
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Hours 08:00 - 17:30

Monday - Friday

WEST BULK UNIT 1

BUGBROOKE ROAD

KISLINGBURY, NN7 4AY

HELP@KIZZLEAUTOS.COM

KISLINGBURY BIN COLLECTION DATES, 2022

General waste week:



General waste



Food recycling

February - 4th and 18th

March - 4th and 18th

April - 1st, 15th and 29th

May - 13th and 27th

June - 10th and 24th

July - 8th and 22nd

August - 5th and 19th

September - 2nd, 16th and 30th

October - 14th and 28th

November - 11th and 25th

December - to be confirmed

Recycling week:



Recycling



Garden waste



Food recycling

February - 11th and 25th

March - 11th and 25th

April - 8th and 22nd

May - 6th and 20th

June - 3rd and 17th

July - 1st, 15th and 29th

August - 12th and 26th

September - 9th and 23rd

October - 7th and 21st

November - 4th and 18th

December - to be confirmed



Kislingbury Friendship Club (Previously Kislingbury Arts & Crafts Society)

At the time of writing this we are looking forward to our January meeting when Suzy is coming along to tell us all about The Good Loaf – even bringing some samples for us to try!

On **Tuesday 29th February at 2.30pm** in the Village Hall well known Kislingbury resident **Paul Southworth will be speaking about the Northampton Community Foundation.** This promises to be very interesting and will give us an insight into this Charity.

Then on Tuesday 22nd March at 2.30pm and again in the Village Hall, **Derek Blunt will visit us to talk about Saints, Sinners and Scoundrels.** I wonder what we will learn?

Doreen Hartwell

A BIG THANK YOU for making the Village come alive for Christmas

Thank you to all of you who illuminated the Village road signs and houses.

Thank you to Nic Wilmot for co-ordinating the lighting of the Advent Windows.

Thank you to the St Luke's Ladies for the Carol Singing on the Green.

Thank you to Miriam Harris for allowing Father Christmas to be in his Grotto while talking to the children as his reindeers grazed on The Green.

Sue Deane, Parish Councillor.



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Kislingbury Art Group

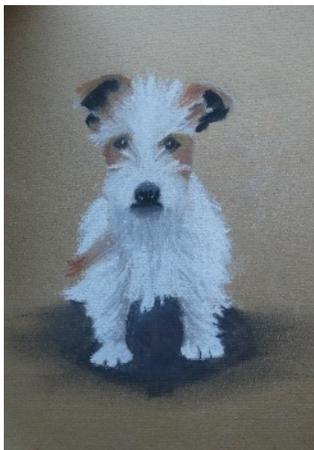
FEBRUARY / MARCH

We have vacancies for new members to join our group.

The ART GROUP is organised, to provide a venue for artists of all abilities from beginners to fully experienced; to meet together, to paint, and share the company of others with similar interests, in a non formalised group.

**We meet on Thursday afternoons at the Village Hall between 2 pm and 4pm.
For further info contact either -**

Judith 830421 or Mike 831747



**KISLINGBURY ART EXHIBITION AND
CRAFT SALE AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON
SATURDAY 9TH APRIL**

I have a hope and a dream

For me 2022 is a milestone year as I have a birthday that will once again have a numerical zero!

Nevertheless, as I contemplate, do I mark or ignore the said birthday? I've also been reflecting on what still gets me up in a morning, what is my 'Raison D'être', my 'Modus Operandi' for doing what I have been doing officially for thirty-five years but reaching right back into my teens when I first met with the living presence of God revealed in Christ.

Some of my passions, views, outlooks may have been tempered with age and hopefully maturity! One passion however has remained constant is for everyone to know a personal and living relationship with God in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The following is my humble and less than perfect reworking of part of Martin Luther King Jr. speech delivered on August 28th 1963 which has been described as having "a strong claim to be the greatest speech in the English language of all time".

I offer the reworking within the context of my responsibilities and charge as the rector of Bugbrooke, Harpole, Kislingbury and Rothersthorpe:-

I have a hope and a dream

That the poor and neglected of Bugbrooke, Kislingbury, Harpole, and Rothersthorpe, that have been sweltering with the heat of injustice and neglect - will be transformed into an oasis of justice and worth.

I have a hope and a dream

That the people in the expanding Villages of Bugbrooke, Kislingbury, Harpole, and Rothersthorpe will be able to live in the wider community of Northampton and be known by the content of their character and not the presumed balance in the bank.

I have a hope and a dream

Let the freedom that God brings through His Son Jesus ring.

From the phenomenal heights surrounding Bugbrooke and Rothersthorpe, let freedom ring.

From the enhancing surroundings of Kislingbury and Harpole, let freedom ring.

From the manicured school, community fields and recreation areas, let freedom ring.

But not only that,

From the Corner Shops and the Post Offices,

From the M1 Motorway Services and Restaurants.

From the health care of the Doctors' Surgery,

Nursery Care and Community Rooms.

From the Pubs, the Clubs, Village Halls and Churches,

From the Schools, from Heygates and the farms
and the places where people live.

Let the freedom of God in Christ Jesus ring.

I have a hope and a dream

Stephen French, *Rector of Bugbrooke, Harpole, Kislingbury and Rothersthorpe*

Father Christmas

Father Christmas sends his best wishes and says how lovely it was to see all the children who came to visit him in December on The Green in Kislingbury.

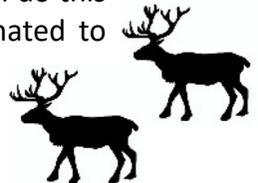
I would like to give a big thank you to Father Christmas himself for visiting our village and to my Chief Elves, Sue Deane and Ethan Harris.

Thank you to Kislingbury Town and Charity Estates, The Kislingbury Community Group and an anonymous donor for their generous donations towards the cost of the reindeers.

I was overwhelmed with donations to the value of £120. I do this for our village and all surplus money raised will be donated to Kislingbury Primary School.

Many thanks once again.

Miriam Harris



HERE TO HELP in 2021

Your community charity, Kislingbury Town and Charity Estates, exists to provide financial or other assistance to elderly village residents in need, or to promote participation in sports and recreation, for the benefit of villagers.

How has the charity helped Kislingbury and its residents?

Here are some recent examples:

- Funding towards installation of a chair lift
- Purchase of a defibrillator for the village playing fields
- Funding of additional medical aids for elderly residents
- 50% funding of a new artificial pitch for the village cricket club
- Support for elderly residents to cover exceptional medical expenses

Know an elderly resident who could do with some support – what can I do?

Please contact our Clerk Jim Wood on (01327) 872670 for a confidential discussion – the Trustees can meet at short notice to consider applications.

Equally, if you are looking for funding towards facilities in the village which will promote community participation in sports or recreation, please give Jim a call.

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THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST LUKE

Services for February and March

Sunday 6th February	11.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday 13th February	11.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 20th February	11.00am	Morning Worship
Monday 21st February	6.30pm	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
Sunday 27th February	11.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday 6th March	11.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday 13th March	11.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 20th March	11.00am	Morning Worship
Monday 21st March	6.30pm	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
Sunday 27th March	11.00am	All Age worship for Mothering Sunday

Kislingbury & Upton Community Church (KUCC)

Mill Lane, Kislingbury, NN7 4BD

Kislingbury & Upton Community Church (KUCC) aims to be a Church for all ages and stages.

Tuesday Service in Kislingbury, between 10am and 11am
www.KUCC.co.uk Email: info@kucc.co.uk T: 07432 881576

St Patrick's Catholic Church

28 Peveril Road, Duston

Father Benny Joseph MSFS

Email: stpatrickduston@gmail.com

Mass Times	Sunday	9.30am	Tuesday	9.30am
	Friday	9.30am	Holydays	9.30am

For more information visit: www.stpatrickduston.org.uk

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Saturday: Midday – 11pm
Sunday: 11am – 10.30 pm

Food Served:

Tuesday to Saturday:
6pm – 9pm
Sunday: Midday – 3pm

Takeaway/Delivery Pizzas available 6pm – 8pm Friday and Saturday
(Tel: 07950 606682).

Afternoon Tea available Saturday afternoon from midday
(pre-order required) - £9.95

Ploughmans available Saturday afternoon from midday
(pre-order required) – £8.95

Coming up:-

Every Tuesday – 6pm - 9pm – Pie and a pint/med house wine £10
Every Wednesday – 6pm – 9pm - Curry and a pint/med house wine £10
Quiz Night – Last Sunday of every month.

30 heated and covered outdoor seats

For updated menus and events visit:
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