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HELLO THERE!

What is the biggest surprise you have ever had? The one that caught your breath, made you scream? One of mine was when my husband proposed to me – I knew it was going to happen, indeed I had given him a deadline of 28th Feb, otherwise I was going to propose to him the following day as it was a leap year, but I didn't expect him to do it where and when he did: I screamed and then cried a lot.....he would tell you that he never actually heard me say 'Yes'!

Another surprise I remember was when my military colleague surprised his children by being in a box at a birthday party. Not due home for months he was able to get a short mid-deployment break, but his wife hadn't told the children. When he jumped out of the box I am sure his children caused many eardrums to split, but there was the most amazing feeling of joy, love and happiness in the room with us, and yes there were more tears.

However, what was the biggest surprise for me was when Jacob, our eldest son, had his 'ears', or their real name cochlear implants, turned on. We had been warned that he would not react straight away – profoundly deaf from birth Jacob had never heard anything EVER in his 14 months of life so it was going to take time for his brain to start processing the noises that were now coming in through the implants. The audiologist turned the electrodes on inside his head and we held our breath. She then banged a drum..... His head whipped around towards her so quickly. We all screamed. The audiologist banged it again and Jacob smiled – she said that this reaction was very unusual and very special. We gave the drum to Jacob who started hitting the drum himself with a big wide smile on his face. Yes, there were a whole world of tears that day.

For us, it was nothing short of a miracle and many of people have had similar experiences when medicine has achieved things we not thought possible – paralysed people walking again, cancer disappearing, even the blind beginning to see.

Miracles. Whatever you may think of them, I would argue that they are still happening – not only the medical advance ones but also the ones that cannot be explained by doctors. There is a website that details the 'List of Approved Lourdes Miracles' the last of which dates back to 2002; back in 2016 I went to see the film 'Miracles from heaven' based on a true story of a young girl with an incurable disease which was cured; even Billy Graham, who died recently, was cited to be part of a miraculous healing at the beginning of his crusade work. All significant, but this month we celebrate one of the greatest miracles...

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Despite Jesus telling his followers a good number of times that he was going to die but rise again, his resurrection still came a big surprise for them. Most were still stunned by his barbaric death on the cross, a sudden ending to his ministry. Many of his friends had gone into hiding, fearful that they would be next..... and then the women come back on the 3rd morning and say 'He is not there. He is risen.'

For those of us who know the story, we cannot even begin to truly understand the surprise, the joy, the turmoil those disciples must have felt when they heard this. But if we remember the event that gave us the biggest surprise and multiple that by about 1000% we may start to appreciate what a monumental event this was – for them but also for world.

And indeed, it remains a monumental event for us Christians today. It has just been over a year since I returned from the Holy Land and yet I can still vividly remember my time, in the early morning, when I sat by the Sea of Galilee where Jesus was alleged to have cooked breakfast for his disciples after he had risen from the dead. And on this year's Easter Sunday I will have stood on the beach of Gurnard at sunrise, looking out to sea and celebrated the risen Lord. Two very different experiences in two very different countries but both remembering this one amazing miracle, the greatest of surprises, when Jesus rose from the dead. And as one of his present-day disciples I will keep on doing what he told his followers to do nearly 2000 years ago – to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, to tell them of God's love and share him peace with everyone I meet.

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Sunday	29th	10.30am	Mrs Marian Izzard

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The Sunday School meets at 10.15am each Sunday and would welcome more young people to join them.

The LADIES' SISTERHOOD will meet at 2.30pm on Tuesdays 10th and 24th April. All ladies would be made very welcome.

The ALTZHEIMERS CAFE will meet on Wednesday 11th April 2-4.30pm.

On Saturday April 7th we are holding an APRIL SALE in the church from 10.00am to 12.30pm. there will be various stalls, including tombola, cakes, books, white elephants, plants etc. Tea and coffee will be served. All welcome, proceeds for church funds.

Election of Churchwardens

The Annual Meeting to elect the Churchwardens will be held at 12 noon on Sunday 8th April 2018 at Northwood Church. This meeting is open to all Registered electors in the parish .It will be followed Immediately by the Annual Church Meeting, open To those on the Church Electoral Roll

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Bringing Our Culture and Heritage to Life

Being a lover of Spain, its culture and history, and how it seems that every resident actively participates in its celebration, even in the most remote locations, I have been embarked on an exercise to try to do the same here, joining up with friends who have shared interests and expertise, including local historians, we are producing a series of cultural walks that focus on our pubs and beers and what lies around them and in between. You may notice the official launch of our Shanklin Walk on March 24th, and we are currently working on a West Wight Walk, which has attracted the interest of Natural England. The Walks feature on the local CAMRA Website www.wightwash.org.uk, in the Beer & Buses Festival, and on Visit Isle of Wight.

We are always pleased to hear feedback from people regarding these walks, or, even better, offers of help and involvement. One thing I would like to do is give greater life and involvement to Cowes Heritage, and the Anchor and Ale House, amongst others, share this desire, and if anyone has any ideas or wish to be involved in locally promoting Northwood in this regard, please contact me.

John Nicholson, Ward Councillor for Northwood & Cowes South
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We can only guess what this initiative will deliver for the Community, and the Island, in enhanced employment offers, linked development, local sponsorships and asset-based community development. It has been a realisation that I have been encouraging for some time now, so am very pleased that this has come along, just as the Parish was embarking on a research project to the same end.

Helping Drive Improvement Through Healthcare Scrutiny

Local Authority Scrutiny Committees have an important role in questioning and testing function and operation, not only in the Local Authority, but in external service providers too. Health Scrutiny is unique in this regard because Health Authorities and Commissioning Groups have a duty to report to it, and, indeed, the Health Scrutiny Committee has the unique powers to summons and refer concerns to the Secretary of State. But, Scrutiny is not just about stick, it can serve well to identify and support good practice, especially when emergent, as this can give energy and reinforce initiatives for improvement, like in our NHS Trust.

Scrutiny, also, has the ability to act as a powerful champion in representing legitimate frustrations that patients or workers have regarding Health Service experiences, especially when they feel that their concerns are not or will not be constructively recognised and dealt with through other official or non-official channels. Personal accounts, often show examples of good and bad experience and practice and can act as vignettes to highlight wider traits. I am encouraged by the more progressive Health chiefs to continue collecting and delivering accounts of the issues and concerns that people report to me, and, it is particularly gratifying when such reporting manages to unblock an issue or frustration and deliver beneficial results for someone.

So, please, if anyone feels that they have an issue they are getting nowhere with, or don't want to make a fuss and bother, but just want to see that such experience doesn't happen to others, let me know; don't underestimate the power of your story, or the way that Scrutiny can use it for betterment.



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NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton)

Over the last few months we have had some very interesting talks at our Residents Events, from the Isle of Wight Zoo, talk about the Tower Of London and many others. We are very grateful to all those who came and gave us an enjoyable afternoon.

The next Residents Event is on Wednesday 18th April, 2018 at 2.30 pm. at the Northwood Village Hall (formally known as the Northwood W. I. Hall)

Our Residents Events for the rest of the Year are:-
 May 18th 2018 June 20th, 2018 July 18th, 2018
 August 15th 2018 September 19th 2018
 October 17th 2018 November 21st 2018

If you require transport, please contact 282242 or 296020.

The next meeting of the Northwood Community Partnership will be held on May 15th 2018, 7.pm at the Travellers Joy, Pallance Road.

If you are interested in helping us keep the different things happening in the Village, you are very welcome at the Residents Events or the meetings.

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residential permission given on appeal. However, the Parish Council again urged the IW Council to seek a contribution from the developers towards the costs of providing an extension of the existing pavement along Place Road, up to the corner of Pallance Road, at Four Cross, Northwood. It was thought that having regard to the increased traffic, there would be a need for an improved walkway to facilitate an easy, safe route for mainly Northwood residents when walking to school and other local facilities. Concerns were also raised over the adverse effect that the total number of houses in the overall development would have on the community and social infrastructure, in particular the local medical and dental services, local schools and traffic flows, all of which seemed to be at capacity.

“Permit to Work” and Designated Safety Officer – approval was given at the February meeting to a document for all contractors and sub-contractors to sign and adhere to when undertaking work for the Parish Council. The Parish Council, on advice from its insurers, has also now agreed that in the document there should be included the requirement for all third-party contractors to have their own public liability insurance in place, to cover any work they are undertaking for the Parish Council. Councillor John Ward has been appointed the Parish Council’s Designated Safety Officer.

Proposed arrangements for the transformation of the Health Service on the Island – the Parish Council received a report from Councillor John Nicholson which advised that preliminary studies had been undertaken which should result under the transformation in the service becoming more patient centred, enabling better patient care at locations best facilitated to deliver it, whether that be at home, on the Island or at a centre on the mainland with specialist knowledge and ability, with the management of a patient’s care being retained locally. It seems that a formal consultation on the proposed arrangements is likely to take place at the end of the year.

Hedgehog Awareness Week – it was reported that this was to take place 6th-12th May and it was thought that a link to the British Hedgehog Preservation Society should be included on the Parish Council website.

Classic Beer and Vintage Buses and Historic Walks – it was reported that the annual event had attracted the favourable attention of Natural England and it was hoped that a walk around the various places of interest in Northwood could potentially form a stop off point during the festival this year.

CLLr David Jaggar

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NORTHWOOD WOMEN’S INSTITUTE

Apologies that due to the adverse weather, the March meeting was cancelled.

The next event is on Thursday 5th April at 2pm in the Northwood Village Hall.

Speaker: Hazel Breach

Topic: History of WI 1897—1918

Competitions: 4 Easter biscuits, Best Garden Bloom

14th April—Jumble Sale

HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING

To hire the Hall please contact **Susan Whittle** on **651967**

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MEDHAM WOMEN’S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Monday 9th April at 7.30pm in the Northwood Village Hall.

Guest speaker: Harriet Robinson

Topic: World of Waistcoats

Competition: A Favourite Scarf, Best garden bloom. Bring & Buy

REFRESHMENTS: Tea & Biscuits (Michelle HW & Helena L)

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CREEA - COWES RADAR EX-EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

The next event is on Thursday 12th April at 2:30pm

The Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust —Ash Gibbs

For membership details contact Joy Ash, **01983 298731**.

or visit the **CREEA** webpage in the **Local Groups** section of the village website where you can also download a copy of our 2018 Programme and view photos of past events.

New Members are always Welcome

NORTHWOOD FLORAL ART GROUP

The next meeting is on **Monday 23rd April at 7.30pm** in the Northwood Village Hall.

St George

Tea/Coffee and Cake £1.00

Membership is £18.00 per year

Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

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MEETINGS

Meetings of the Parish Council are held monthly 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

Agendas and Minutes are available at www.northwoodparishcouncil.org

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Northwood Parish Council Report

Report of the March 2018 meeting of the Parish Council

Co-option – We are still two councillors short and would ask anyone who might be interested to contact our clerk (clerk@northwoodparishcouncil.org). Please also see our website (www.northwoodparishcouncil.org)

Local safety neighbourhood issues – two crimes had been reported during February, compared with three crimes for the same period last year. These related to one theft on or near to Oxford Street and one sex offence on or near to Nodes Road.

The Police are urging all local residents to report any concerns to them that they might have regarding potential drug dealing, no matter how insignificant the incidents appear to be. The more reports received to corroborate a scenario would facilitate the Police in obtaining a warrant from the Magistrates' Court.

Venner Avenue Recreation Ground – the new piece of play equipment was awaiting an installation date.

Defibrillator – this and the secure box had recently been installed on the outside of the Northwood Village Hall and notices advising local residents had been placed on the noticeboard and at Northwood Stores and Northwood Garage.

Regeneration and business survey in Northwood – the Parish Council considered details of the proposed survey of local businesses which would include interviews with at least 50% of them. The IW Council hope that the work could provide a template to be rolled out in the rest of the Medina Valley and across other Island areas. The Parish Council expressed its support for the scheme, which could attract potential benefits for the local community, and agreed a contribution of £3000 towards the costs of £6000 for the survey, appointing Councillor John Nicholson as its representative on the joint board to oversee the project.

Planning applications – the Parish Council raised no material planning objections to the applications for firstly the demolition of an extension, garage and conservatory, to be replaced by a single story side extension and attached garage in Wyatts Lane and secondly for a single story rear extension in Newport Road.

In addition, no planning objections were raised to the application for 30 dwellings, garages and associated landscaping with the formation of a new access, off Place Road in Gurnard, having regard to a previous grant of

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