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Looking for Angels

The bible is full of stories of Angels from Genesis 3 where God placed a Cherubim with a sword (!) to guard the tree of life, through the Gospels where we find the Angels attending Jesus, all the way to Revelations where we read of the four living creatures with six wings and four faces. Despite these unusual pictorial images of Angels a lot of examples of them come with the caveat "Do not be afraid".

So are these just stories in the bible like the flood that have no bearing on us in 2016? Are Angels spirits or do they manifest as human form, or winged Angels? Well in church we say every week in our Communion service the Nicene Creed which includes the words 'I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible'. So if I asked you now to think of an image of an Angel what comes to mind?

Amanda told us in one of her recent sermons that Angels are messengers of God, so whilst we should not worship them we should respect them as such and listen to their message. It says in Genesis Chapter 19 'God has granted them power and some authority in his name' Is this why we are told not to be afraid? So why are some people weary of them? Is it perhaps the feeling that this is a spiritual encounter? Or perhaps its the authority with which they speak?

website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and In Tobit we meet the Angel Raphael who appears in human form and it is only revealed as an Angel later on in the book. Why do you think this might be? Perhaps it could have been that the Angel chose this so that Tobit would behave 'normally' around him and treat him as he would another stranger or neighbour, thus being honest in his dealings. Tobit was not seeking to prove himself to an Angel, seeking Gods favour, or 'standing on ceremony' for a special visitor. Similarly in his letter to the Hebrews, St Paul says; "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained Angels unawares." This is a good thing for us to remember today - God is with us always and sees our heart and our deeds, and so we should treat every stranger and neighbour with Christs love. In Amanda's recent sermon she stated that we may be able to talk the talk, but can we walk the walk as well? At the end of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells us to 'Love one another' and that means not just those we like, but those we don't and those we don't know....because they may be Angels! The thing is - how good Visit are we at doing this?

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As we now are now in the season of Advent think of the Angels who appeared to Zechariah, Joseph and the Wise Men. And remember that Angels are still with us now, seen and unseen - They bring a message of love and hope and work for our creator God. They might be sat next to you or they could be the next homeless person you meet. Be prepared to meet with them and thank them for their ministry, listen to their message and give thanks to God for his amazing creation. I want to close by repeating the Advent message from the Angel Gabriel to you; (Luke 1; 28) "Greetings, you who are highly favoured! The Lord is with you". NEWS May God continue to poor out his love and blessing on you all this Advent and Christmas. NORTHWOOD

PS Dion is a member of our church and is training to become a priest! This is his first article and I thought perfect for our Christmas Edition. Wishing you every blessing for a joyous and peaceful Christmas!

Rev'd Amanda

Dion.

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11th 3rd Sunday of Advent

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

11.00 am All Age Worship – Christingle and Toy Service (refreshments served before service)

3.00 pm Christingle service for baptism families (but everyone is welcome!)

in NORTHWOOD NEWS! 4th Sunday of Advent

11.00 am Holy Communion

6.00 pm Carols by Candlelight (Mulled wine and mince pies served after the service)

CHRISTMAS DAY

11.00 am Family Christmas Communion

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'If you open your bank account you can check the money is in your account,' the person said. Our resident was so weary after the long conversation and numerous tasks she had been asked to complete on her computer that she did what they said, checked her on-line bank accounts and found out that they had put £2.500 into her account.

When she told them the person on the end of the line went crazy - 'A new staff member has made a big mistake, he'll lose his job, go to jail, his family will be out on the street' - and then asked her to go to the nearest Post Office and put £2,200 into a money transfer form, and at the same time a map of Cowes with the nearest Post Office popped up on her computer. They persisted - 'How long will it take you? Are you going by bus or car? I will ring you back to make sure you have done the transfer.'

Fortunately the staff in Cowes Post Office were wonderful and they knew it was a scam and told her. She returned home and rang the Fraud Dept. of Lloyds bank. The person she spoke to found out they had taken £2,500 from her savings account and put it in her current account. They closed the internet banking down immediately and cancelled her card. Her phone did ring that night and all the next day but she did not pick up. It has now stopped.

When she went into the bank to restart her banking the lady said it is happening all the time – this is what the Post Office staff said and the computer guys in PC World (the fraud dept. said she had to get the laptop 'cleaned' by someone like PC world) agreed - they meet this everyday they said. One eminent person had lost £9000....

Our dear parishioner feels stupid that she let it happen to her – she said 'I have shouted at people on TV so many times, when this has happened to them. They said you must tell your friends so they will be wary – I don't want anyone else going through what I have.'

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The FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet at 2.30pm on Tuesday 6th only at 82 Wyatts Lane, Northwood for carols and readings.

The CHRISTMAS DISPLAY by local organisations will be in the church from Thursday 8th to Saturday 10th, from 11am-4pm and Sunday 11th from 2pm-4pm. Free entry but donations welcome on the way out. Proceeds to be divided between the organisations.

The annual TOWN COUNCIL LIGHTS OF LOVE PUBLIC CAROL SERVICE for the Earl Mountbatten Hospice will be held in the church on Thursday 8th December at 6.30pm. Everyone welcome. Refreshments provided.



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My personal view, which, I think, I can express now, is that we need to consider the things that makes us unique and so attractive, so that we don't become just an appendage to the Mainland. But, in order to survive and maintain the things that makes the Island so attractive, we cannot stand still whilst the rest of the world moves on (which would mean that we go backwards, in relative terms). Like most people, now, I believe that some sort of fixed link is inevitable, but all consideration must be given to the right type; one that will further enhance and enable Island people, and, particularly, encourage the establishment of business that will create decent waged jobs to boost our economy and provide meaningful employment for our youngsters without compromise to our unique and special environment. So, for me, a fixed link is not an end in itself; it must be a part of a much bigger vision that raises the Island, as a whole, and improves it in every desirable way.

Community Wellbeing

There is, and has to be, a transformation in the way that we address Wellbeing. The model of it as being someone else's responsibility is no longer sustainable (not that it ever was), and this is part of the trend of decentralisation, and devolution. The way forward is to build a fractal society, one in which the small replicates the big, and the big replicates the small, and, form a Wellbeing point of view, this means that individuals, business, interest groups, Town and Parish Councils, organisations and institutions, all take a responsible role as far as people's health and wellbeing is concerned, supported by local area health and wellbeing coordinators. This can be in education and practice in dietary matters, exercise, and social networks, getting people to talk and encouraging mutual help, just like communities used to do before the advent of centralisation and the uplifting of responsibilities. If we can achieve this, it, then, frees our centralised authorities to do what they do best, to take care of the big things. In health, this would mean freeing our hospitals for acute and critical conditions, and medical centres for the treatment and monitoring of less severe and chronic conditions. This is happening, and we will all be part of it.

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Ward Councillor's Report -November 2016

Dog Fouling

It has been brought to my notice, again, the prevalence of dog fouling around Northwood. I don't need to say how unacceptable, to residents and visitors, the behaviour of dog owners who do not clean up after their dogs is. When we live in a civilised society, where everyone benefits from its processes and provisions, it is very difficult to understand the self-centred attitude of such people. But, we don't have to put up with it - if anyone knows of a person who does not clear up after their dog, can they please let me know, with enough details that I can ensure they are taken to task and prosecuted, I will pursue the case. Any information that I am passed will keep the identity of the person telling me confidential (unless they wish me otherwise).

Fixed Link Debate

I have had a few (very few) responses to my question about the fixed link debate, some for and some against. The against argument is based on the preservation of our Island way of life, and not wanting channels to be open to the things that are undesirable on the Mainland; crime, sense of urgency, loss of community, threat to our wildlife, and a feeling that the cost of the ferries was quite a reasonable price to pay for that protection afforded us in these regards. But, I was surprised that there was not such a widespread and strong response against as, I believe, there was a few years ago.

Asking around, it seems that most people sympathise with the above views, but, now, accept that a link will, inevitably, happen, and that it is, now, necessary for support and enhancement of our Island life, that ferry fares and restrictions do not serve our interest as well as the addition of a fixed link would, but this should not allow a free-for-all which, effectively, would make us part of, and no different to, the Mainland. One gentleman, who prizes Island life, and, in his career, worked all around the world in major civil engineering projects, explained to me that the most practical means of connection to the Mainland would be via a tube, laid into a trench on the ocean floor, and in which trains could travel, linking up with the Mainland network. A tunnel, he explained, required boring, and would need a trajectory that would extend, both, its length and cost to an impractical and exaggerated levels. Having a train link would give us more control than an all vehicle link, and would complement the ferries, and make it easier to protect our wild life, providing the rapid link to the Mainland that we increasingly need to keep up with business, education, health and, even, government developments in this modern world.

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NEWS

in NORTHWOOD

Sunday 1st 10.30am Mr Graham Fowler

10.30am Mrs Elizabeth Lilley Sunday 8th

10.30am Mrs Alison Geddes Sunday 15th

Sunday 3.00pm COVENANT SERVICE

United Service with churches together in Cowes

Rev Dr Dennis Lloyd

29th 10.30am A Warman Sunday

Tea and coffee is served after the services.

The SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10.15am each Sunday and would like more people to join them. advertisers that you saw them

The LADIES' SISTERHOOD and FELLOWSHIP GROUP will recommence in February.

ALADDIN

A family pantomime Amy White Theatre East Cowes Town Hall SATURDAY 17th December 1pm & 7pm SUNDAY 18th December 1pm All tickets only £5 Call 01983 299082 to book

Carol Singing around Northwood

In Aid of The Children's Society Meet at 13 Wyatts Lane, Northwood on Monday 19th December at 6.15pm. Followed by mince pies and mulled wine All singers and musicians very welcome Contact Linda Smallwood 298700

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1st NORTHWOOD SCOUT GROUP - SCOUT H.Q. Wyatts Lane

Beavers Thursday 5.45pm to 6:50pm Scouts Monday 7.00pm to 9.00pm Cubs Friday 6.45pm to 8.15pm

For more information contact Derek Finch on 292904

2nd NORTHWOOD BROWNIES meet on WEDNESDAYS

in the SCOUT HUT, WYATTS LANE from 6.00pm to 7.15pm.

Brownies is for girls aged 7 to 10 years.

Please contact JANE PEAKALL on 01983 521274.

WAITING LIST IN OPERATION

Give us a call on **01983 289717**Or email **northwoodplaygroup@onwight.net**

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Full day: 8 or 9am—5:30pm

Term time only

Northwood Playgroup, Northwood County Primary School, Wyatts Lane PO31 8PU Northwood Playgroup is a registered charity (No: 1086436)

NORTHWOOD VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

is hosting the Carrot Trophy quiz against Gurnard in the WI Hall at 7.30pm on Friday 9 December. Anyone who enjoys quizzing is welcome, as we'll probably need to balance team numbers. Thereafter there will be no indoor meetings until April.

For Schedules and further information please contact Pat Ready on 01983 248287

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

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NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Chairman: John Pullen, 86, Wyatts Lane, Northwood, Tel. 01983 641362 Vice Chairman: John Nicholson Sunnyside, Pallance Lane, Northwood Tel.01983 209642

Secretary: Eileen Turner-Palmerton, 40, Greenways, Northwood. Tel: 01983 282242 – Email: wightcross401@outlook.com

NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton)

Our November Residents Even was very entertaining an interesting talk from Mr. Mich. Jones. He dressed up in his uniform of a Yeoman Warder, (commonly known as a Beefeater) at the Tower of London. It was really an educational of the activities that are regularly carried at the Tower, including the "Ceremony of the Keys" and many other events. No one knew that there are 20 Towers in the Tower of London.

During the year we have had many interesting and informative speakers at our Events, which we have all enjoyed immensely. We will continue our Events during 2017, as listed below. For information, there will not be a Residents Event in December (2016) as we are holding our Christmas Lunch.

Our Residents Events for 2017 are as follows:-

January 18 th	February 15 th	March 15 th	April 19 th
May 17 th	June 21 st	July 19 th	August 16 th
September 20 th	October 18 th	November 15 th	

For future events, please contact 282242 or 296020 if you are in need of transport.

For information, the Cowes Police Station is closing on 27th November and is relocating to Cowes Fire Station.

Please be aware that this time of the year is susceptible to chance crimes e.g. burglaries. The Safer Neighbourhood Team wishes all residents to be aware and keep your homes secure. Also if you are aware of any resident who is vulnerable and might be in need of assistance, please advise the Police. On behalf of the Northwood Community Partnership, I would like to wish all Residents a Very Happy and Peaceful Christmas and a Healthy New Year. We

are all looking forward to seeing you in 2017.

Football Nets on Venner Avenue football pitch

The new nets had been received and installed. Following a request by the clerk, the IW Council had moved the position of the goal posts, so allowing the grass to grow back during the winter months.

Cllr Fuller reported that the matter of the sign at Greenways Close had been resolved; he had contacted Island Roads with regard to a number of overgrown hedges; he had been informed that the pavement, hedge and fence at the fourcross junction belonged to the IW Council. Following a complaint, Amey were looking into re-arranging their waste collection time along Nodes Road, on a Monday morning, to slightly later in the day so as not to hold up work traffic.

Northwood Church Collection Tins

Please return all collection tins by Sunday 4th December 2016 in Church or at any time before

If you would like to arrange for your tin to be collected please call

Sarah on 01983 527948.

Thank you for your continued support

Can you help local girls to enjoy challenges?

learn new skills and have indoor and outdoor adventures?

Northwood Rainbows and Brownies are looking for adult leaders and supporters.

No previous Guiding experience necessary. Volunteering with Girlguiding is fun and rewarding.

Please contact Jane Peakall on 01983 521274 <u>janepeakall@btinternet.com</u> or look at the website www.girlguidingisleofwight.co.uk

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Remembrance Service on 13th Nov. It was a great community show of unity with over 180 people attending, over 50 of which were uniformed youngsters. We are delighted to report that we collected **£207.41** for the Royal British Legion – thank you so much for your generosity.

the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events and much more. Rev Amanda

All Saints' Church are holding a BOOK SALE

on Saturday 4th February 2017.

Soup lunch, teas, coffee and cakes available.

This is an ideal opportunity for you to clear out some of those books that you no longer need.

Please, in the New Year, either leave books at the back of Church or contact Wendy Peskett (phone 292145) for further information or to arrange collection.

NORTHWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Thursday 1st December at 2pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

Christmas meeting

COMPETITIONS: Handmade Christmas decoration, Best Garden Bloom

HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING

To hire the Hall please contact **Anne Jonas** on **295437** *Visitors & New Members are always Welcome*

MEDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Monday 12th December at 7.30pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

A Christmas Evening

Competition: A small Christmas Table Decoration
Festive American Supper
Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

CREEA - COWES RADAR EX-EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

The next event is on Wednesday 14th December
Christmas Party—Venue/Time TBC
For 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 2016 Programme and view photos of past events.

New Members are always Welcome

NORTHWOOD FLORAL ART GROUP

The next meeting is on **Monday 5th December at 7.30pm** in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

Christmas Dinner—venue to be confirmed
Monday 23rd January at 7:30pm—AGM & New Beginnings
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.

News from the November meeting of Northwood Parish Council

Phone box

British Telecommunications plc (BT) had notified the IW Council of their formal consultation process regarding a programme of intended public payphone removals. This process would also provide local communities with the opportunity to adopt a traditional red 'heritage' phone box for £1, if they deemed it appropriate to do so. The payphone outside the Sub Post Office in Pallance Road had been earmarked for removal. Only six phone calls had been made from the payphone during the previous 12 months. Councillors highlighted the poor mobile phone signal received in Northwood stating that the area fell within the 2% of the country that could not obtain either 3G or 4G coverage. It was decided that no objections be raised to the removal of the payphone outside the Sub Post Office in Pallance Road; in addition the Parish Council agree to not proceed with the adoption of the traditional red 'heritage' phone box. In the event the payphone outside the Sub Post Office in Pallance Road being removed, BT be requested to improve the poor mobile phone network coverage in Northwood, so to ensure that the emergency services were able to be contacted at all times.

Incidences of illegally parked cars

The clerk advised that she had contacted Mr Metcalfe, the Chief Executive of the IW Council and also Island Roads, as instructed, outlining the perceived problems. However, prior to any response being given, Cllr J Nicholson had informed that with the intervention of the police, the cars had moved and the problem gone from the location in question to another outside of the Ward. Island Roads had advised Cllr J Nicholson that they do now lift those cars that had been abandoned or found without Tax, MOT or insurance.

Picnic Table

One picnic table had been received from the HM Prison, with the other due to be delivered towards the end of November. Due to its' weight it would need at least four persons to lift it into the correct position on the play area. Cllr Pullen advised that he had a number of bolts and fixings that could be used to secure the picnic table. Cllr J Nicholson mentioned a local resident who had suitable lifting machinery and had volunteered to assist where necessary in the village. Cllr Pullen would liaise with Cllrs Smith and J Nicholson regarding the installation.

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