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**Your free monthly magazine collated for you by Northwood church,  
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around the Parish of Northwood, Isle of Wight**

Hello friends,

Well it seems as if I was only introducing myself to you all a few weeks ago, that was in August and here we are in December! It has been so wonderful getting to meet you all as I venture about our parishes, you are a very welcoming bunch, so let me thank you for making me feel so welcome. It's a real privilege to work alongside you.

Of course it is going to come as no surprise what my mind is turning towards as I write this piece... Christmas. Dare I ask how the preparations are going? Yeah I thought so, well we've still got a few weeks so don't worry.

Often when I'm having a conversation about Christmas, I hear people complain about the commercialisation of Christmas. 'It's so expensive nowadays, in my day we were lucky to get...' you get my drift. Well I've been reflecting upon what the commercialisation of Christmas actually means. Questioning, is there a general opinion that people hold about the commercialisation of Christmas? And reflecting upon it, I think there is.

Of course this is only my opinion so do feel free to disagree but I believe that what people are actually saying is that Christmas is just too expensive. It's not the actual spending of money that we object to, it's the amount, it's the pressure that we perceive, that only the biggest present will do. It's as if we believe that we are judged how much we love someone by how much we spend on them. Well I hope that's not the case.

As humans we have a desire to want to do good, we want to buy things that people like, we have an urge to 'do the right thing' whether that means buying a bunch of flowers for someone's funeral or wanting to aid someone when they have fallen down for instance.

Humans are naturally good, I believe and have an instinctive wish to do good. Therefore, is it our lack of self-confidence, our lack of self-worth that makes us feel under pressure to be over indulgent at Christmas I wonder? Do we send out Christmas cards in the hope we get some back and therefore feel loved? Or do we send out cards because we know someone needs to feel loved. Only you know the answer.

At Christmas, at the heart of the Christmas message, God came to us, because of his deep sense of love for us, his creation. God came to show us how to live, how to love and how to serve others. He didn't come to see how much he was loved; he came to show us his love. Sadly, in showing us how to truly live and love he upset a lot of people, people who were using their positions to further their own agenda. But Jesus never deviated from his desire to help others and sadly he gave his life, for us, because of his love for us.

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This Christmas my true desire is that you will all have a sense of the love that God has for you. Not because of what you have done or will do, not because you have spent the most you have ever spent on Christmas, or in fact the least, not even because you are the most wonderful person that has ever lived or if you feel that you are the most loathed.

But you are loved by God because you are his creation. He created you to live and love and to live in harmony with one another. When we live this way we naturally feel that sense of warmth, that sense of love in the fibre of our beings, that feeling is of God, it is God affirming you because you are doing what is right, what is good, what God created you to do.

So as you prepare to journey through this reflective season of Advent and then on into Christmas, take a moment to reflect on the good that lies within you, regardless of whether you've bought the most expensive present or whether you have bought nothing at all. Take a moment to reflect how loved you are whether you're spending Christmas with hundreds or people or none at all, God loves you for simply being you with all your quirks and all your ways. You are beloved and that for me is simply the best present anyone could ever get me, the assurance of knowing that I and you, as a child of God, are beloved.

Let me take his opportunity on behalf of all who worship at Gurnard and Northwood Churches, to wish you and those who you love, a most blessed Christmas and a New Year filled with peace and love.

Rev'd Steve.

## **Northwood Church Christmas Fair**

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**MESSAGE FROM REV AMANDA COLLINSON**

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**December 2018 Church Cleaning Rota**

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<b>30th</b>	Volunteer Required

**January 2019 Church Cleaning Rota**

<b>6th</b>	Volunteer Required
<b>13th</b>	Mr P. Lambert, Mrs P. Lambert
<b>20th</b>	Volunteer Required
<b>27th</b>	Mrs E. Banks, Mrs K. Welfoot

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 in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood

December 2018

**1<sup>st</sup> 10.00 am Thanksgiving service for bereaved families** (*everyone and anyone from the village is welcome*)

**2<sup>nd</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

11.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

**9<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

11.00 am All Age Worship – Christingle and Toy Service **for the charity Frontline** (*refreshments served from 10.30 am*)

**3.00 pm Christingle service for the Community**

**16<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

11.00 am Holy Communion

**23<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

11.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

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

**24<sup>th</sup> CHRISTMAS EVE**

5.00 pm Crib Service

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

**25<sup>th</sup> CHRISTMAS DAY**

11.00 am Family Christmas Communion

**30<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Christmas**

11.00 am Informal Holy Communion

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in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood  
January 2019

6<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Epiphany

11.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

13<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany

11.00 am All Age Worship (refreshments from 10.30 am)

20<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany

11.00 am Holy Communion

27<sup>th</sup> Candlemas

11.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

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 Sunday 9th 10.30am CAROL SERVICE— Mrs Margaret Steer  
 Sunday 16th 10.30am Mr Ray Felton  
 Sunday 23rd 10.30am Rev Norman Vivian  
 Monday 24th 4.00pm CHRISTINGLE— Rev David Plumb  
 Tuesday 25th 10.00am CHRISTMAS DAY— Mr Alan Pullinger  
 Sunday 30th 10.30am To be arranged

Tea and coffee is served after the Services.

The SUNDAY SCHOOL meets every Sunday at 10.15am except in School Holidays.

The LADIES' SISTERHOOD will meet on Tuesday 11th only for their Christmas Afternoon. All welcome.

The ALTZHEIMER'S CAFE will meet on Wednesday 19th December from 2pm until 4.30pm. All welcome to come along.

The CHRISTMAS DISPLAY by local organisations will be from Thursday 6th to Saturday 8th 11am-4pm and Sunday 9th 2-4pm with the ANNUAL TOWN COUNCIL "LIGHTS OF LOVE" PUBLIC CAROL SERVICE for the Hospice on Thursday 6th at 6.30pm. All welcome. Refreshments provided.

### SERVICES FOR JANUARY 2019

Sunday 6th 10.30am Mrs Jane Dronfield  
 Sunday 13th 10.30am Mrs Marion Best  
 Sunday 20th 10.30am Mr Ian Attrill  
 Sunday 27th 10.30am Mr Graham Fowler

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**Christmas Dinner TBC**

**Monday 28th January 2019 at 7:30pm**, Northwood Village Hall

**AGM and Storm in a Teacup**

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**



### **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

### **Trinity Theatre Cowes**

Presents The Pantomime by Cheryl Barrett

## **“Jungle Book”**

Performances: 7:30pm on

Friday 8th December

At 2:30pm on Saturday 1st, 8th & Sunday 9th December

Tickets: Adults £8 Children £6 Family £22 (2 adults and 2 children)

Phone Bookings: 01983 295229 or

Book online: [www.caods.org.uk](http://www.caods.org.uk)

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Despite the lack of planning and poor communications, we now have an undertaking to support the service through its replacement with a more flexible locally derived service, that can be better tuned to fit needs more specifically, without paying the huge costs under the more rigid (but good as a starting model), scheme.

Northwood was one of the first to sign up to this, at the beginning, some four or five years ago, but, without explanation, we have been left out, although we will get represented under the new scheme and might still have a LAC under the old scheme, but with funding secured by Public Health from other sources.

### **The Pub Co Question**

This year the Island has seen unprecedented closing of landmark pubs, the Pier View in Cowes being one. Press stories attribute scandalous rent hikes and extortionate charges for supplies that have to be bought through the Pub Co. Some poor landlords, it seems, loose all their money, as the greater their sales, the higher their rent climbs. Government reviews and legislation have tried to deal with this situation, but to little avail.

An analogy is of taking on a mortgage/ rent and having to buy all your groceries from the lending company. Then you find that the provisions are delivered by a supermarket, and you are paying vastly more than your neighbour for exactly the same product from the same supplier. Then, to top that, your mortgage/ rent goes up, and (in some Island cases) could be two or three times the open market rate.

There are those landlords who despite all this seem to do well. These landlords seem to run several pubs and be quite adept and experienced business people. Some publicly state that they went in to their contract with their eyes open, with good business and legal advice.

It seems that the industry is open to exploitation. Our MP has arranged for a representation from Island pubs to go up to Parliament to discuss these issues with the minister. There is a significant and challenging campaign established to raise awareness of the situation and need for decent reform – The Forum of Private Business.

John Nicholson, Ward Member for Northwood & Cowes South  
 Chairman of Policy & Scrutiny Committee for Adult Social Care & Health  
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## Northwood & Cowes South Ward Councillor's Report – November 2018



### Is Christmas a Time for Consideration

If Christmas is a time for good will, then that must mean thinking of others – but what does that mean? You can think of others by considering what they might like or need if they were you; thinking of the world and others in accordance with how you see it. But the world and other people are not like that. We all see things differently, according to our own interpretations, based on our own experiences, values and beliefs. People who have travelled, lived or worked in other countries and cultures understand that other people do see things differently, and what might be good or offensive to one, can be the complete opposite to someone else.

But this applies within the same culture too. For example, I find, that very few people understand how the world looks to someone who has a disability. I am still raising requests for patients to receive medical information, appointments, etc in large print, and there is a law about that! Not doing it is not deliberate, I am sure, but, people do not naturally appreciate how different things are for other people, disabled or not. I don't want to isolate or pick on the health service, because other organisations are just as guilty. But, how do we get over this, in a real and effective way?

People and organisations tend to look at the outside world, primarily and instinctively from a defensive point of view, and once you realise this, whether you are a person or an organisation, you have the power, in that realisation, to control what you do; to continue or do it differently. Change, understanding, growth, development, innovation follows on from seeing and doing from different perspectives.

### The Local Area Co-Ordinator (LAC) Row

You may have noticed the protests concerning ceasing Local Area Co-Ordinators (LACs). Some of the protesters are health/ care professional and others are people that were against the scheme in the first place but are converted by their experience. What LACs do is not rocket-science, it's good old-fashioned community work, and could be taken up and supported by many other sources, including Town and Parish Councils. Basically, LACs direct people who need help to other services and see it through. It was a model adopted and funded by the Vanguard pilot, but with no exit or continuity strategy. The scheme is operated under strict licence, so is not flexible, and is hugely expensive to operate, costing around £1/2 million.

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### NORTHWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

There is no meeting in the hall on the 6th December as we are going out for a Christmas Lunch, so the next meeting of Northwood WI will be on Thursday February the 7th 2019 at 2pm. Speaker TBA.

### HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING

To hire the Hall please contact **Susan Whittle** on **651967**  
**Visitors & New Members are always Welcome**

### MEDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Monday 10th December  
at 7.30pm in the Northwood Village Hall.

### A Christmas Evening

**Competition:** A Christmas Paper Serviette, Best Garden Bloom, Bring & Buy

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### CREEA - COWES RADAR EX-EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

The next meeting is Wednesday 12th December at Appley Manor Hotel,  
Ryde 12:00pm for 12:30pm

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 VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

There is no meeting in December or January

## NORTHWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

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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](http://www.northwoodparishcouncil.org)

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT NORTHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL, WYATTS LANE, NORTHWOOD

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND**

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## Tree of Remembrance

During the Christmas season the beautifully restored East Chapel will be the perfect place to remember those we have lost. Following last year's event, which was well supported and warmly received by many visitors, we will again have a Christmas tree on which you can hang a decoration with your own message.

In addition there will be candles to light, in memory of loved ones.

The Chapel will be open on the weekends of **15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> December** and **22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> December** - and on **Christmas Eve** - from 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Hot drinks will be served and there will also be some live seasonal music. Alternatively decorations can be purchased in advance, for a minimum donation of £2, from the **Heritage Resource Centre** (the West Chapel) on Thursday and Friday mornings (from 10:00am to 1:00pm). If you have any queries, please contact **Stella Watling** on 01983 281597 or by email to: [stella@friendsofnorthwoodcemetery.org.uk](mailto:stella@friendsofnorthwoodcemetery.org.uk).

## ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

### Christmas Fair

**Saturday December 8th at 11am-2pm**

Lots of stalls including

Christmas Crafts and Cards, Cakes, Toys

Paintings and Prints, Preserves

Tombola and Raffle.

Tea and Lunches

## ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

BOOK FAIR 2nd MARCH 2019

To donate any books to this event, please leave them at the back of Church at any time during February..

To arrange collection, if necessary, please contact Wendy Peskett (phone 292145).

## The Friends of Northwood Church

would like to thank everyone who made the effort to attend our Pumpkin Carving Competition

We had 31 entries and raised £112.

Many thanks Bron.

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The Churchwardens  
Peter Lambert & Pam Clements  
Wish everyone a  
Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year

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### Rotary International Shoebox Scheme

A Big thank you to all those who donated a shoebox!

We collected 61 boxes in all

And donations totalling £20 in cash

I would also like to give a personal Thank you to

#### **NORTHWOOD STORES**

For their help in collecting the boxes.

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### Northwood Church

#### **COMMUNITY COFFEE AND CHAT**

on **Thursday 13th December 2018**

and **Thursday 10th January 2019**

At Northwood Scout Hut 2pm-4pm

Why not come and join us for a **free** cuppa and bring a friend

You will be most welcome

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### All Saints' Church Gurnard

#### **Chamber Choir**

Saturday 1st December

10.15am Refreshments - 11am Concert

Free entry retiring collection

Also

#### **Cowes Concert Band**

Monday 3rd December

7.45pm

Free entry retiring collection

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## **NORTHWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

6<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Apologies were received from Cllrs Margaret Court and John Ward.

PCSO Steve Anker from Cowes Neighbourhood Policing Team gave a report about crime in Northwood. Although the figures were still low, there were 7 crimes compared to 3 in the same period last year. A member of the public highlighted his concerns about the perception of speeding along Wyatts Lane and dangerous parking in the vicinity of the school. He expressed his interest in taking part in Speedwatch and Steve said he will pass on his details to PCSO Lisa Paul who co-ordinates these events.

Cllr Fuller reported that a number of residents have complained about speeding in Pallance Road and Wyatts Lane, and anti-social parking. The Parish Council have asked for speeding and anti-social parking to be monitored and enforcement taken in those areas. A number of motorists have been ticketed for speeding in Pallance Road and the Parish is seeking more volunteers to join speedwatch. If interested contact PCSO Lisa Paul at [West.Wight.Police@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:West.Wight.Police@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

### **Venner Play area**

The white lines, to try to prevent dog fouling in the play area have not been done. Two more Environment Officers have been appointed which should help to reduce the work load of the present officer.

### **Utility Companies**

The Parish Council will submit a list of roads which have not been properly reinstated by Utility Companies to Island Roads. Two Cllrs will meet with Island Roads and raise this matter.

The Northwood Community plan has been approved by Iain Lawrie of the Isle of Wight Council and it has been decided to rename it as the Northwood Community Emergency Plan to better reflect the aim of the document.

An inspection of the Parish Council Assets will be undertaken and report back to the December meeting.

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## Consultations

The Parish Council makes no comment on the proposed changes to the admission arrangements for Cowes Enterprise College for 2020-2021. The proposed Island Planning Strategy should be out for consultation by the end of November, and this will form an agenda item for the December meeting.

Public Spaces Protection Order proposals were noted without making any amendments. Although Northwood commissioned the service of a local Environment Officer, the actual enforcement of the proposed Order would be the main problem.

## Social Isolation and Loneliness

Northwood has a large proportion of residents living on their own. Through groups such as Neighbourhood Watch, Northwood Church, the WI and similar local organisations, our community in the Village has been proactive responding to and supporting residents who need help. This is particularly relevant with the evenings drawing in and the cold weather setting in.

Organisations such as Age UK (Tel 525282) The Footprint Trust (Tel 822282) and Isle Help (Tel 823898) can support and signpost residents.

If you, or you know of residents who need support please let the Parish Council know so we can ensure that people receive the support they need and deserve.

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### NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton)

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Mr. Greening was our speaker at our November Residents Event. He gave a talk on the History of Chillerton, Gatcombe and Whitecroft. It was very informative and interesting.

We started off Christmas early by having our usual Xmas Lunch on 30<sup>th</sup> November at the Best Western New Holmwood Hotel in Cowes. It was a lovely time and was enjoyed by all who attended.

There will not be a Residents Event in December. Our next one will be on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2019, 2.30pm at the Northwood Village Hall.

The rest of the dates will be in the next issue of the Northwood News.

As always if you need transport please call 292060 or 282242.

Please still support us and hopefully bring along a friend.

We are still trying very hard for some funding support so that we can continue with these events.

On behalf of the Community Partnership wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

If you are interested in things happening within the Village and you could spend approximately 2 hours per month, please come along to our Events or our meeting, or contact any of the above numbers and you will be very welcome.