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The Council would like to thank everyone who participated in the Multisports initiative for the local children. We extend a special thank you to Nada for managing this scheme for a number of years and we look forward to working with Sally again next season. The turnout was reasonably high however it tailed off after the end of the school summer term. We hope to run this in 2017 depending on the funding available and the volunteer situation. We do need more parents to come forward and help. It is hoped that the Edingthorpe Pond and land project will be commencing very soon and will have the desired outcome for the community.

The 6 sites identified for the Gardening Club-sponsored Village Planters were visited by Highways and there may need to be a few tweaks as

to where the planters will be located. The Council has fed this information through to the Gardening Club and we are waiting their feedback.

The Allotment hedge will be cut by a local farmer on behalf of the Council in due course and reduced in height.

The Council has agreed to work with Bacton Football Club to develop a programme of improvements to the playing field to assist the Club with their future aspirations. The Council is mindful that this is a facility for everyone to use and that it is not for the sole use of one group.

If you have any ideas/projects or any comments regarding the management/running of your Council, please let the Clerk know.

We are ALWAYS seeking volunteers for various functions within the community - please call us to find out how you can help. Contact by phone,

email or post. This information will be forwarded to the Council for their consideration. The next meeting is the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on 10th October 2016 - 7pm in Bacton Village Hall Annexe. All are welcome to attend.

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Witton & Ridlington Village Hall

Just to remind people that classes at the Village hall have resumed after the summer break.

Our drawing group meets every Wednesday afternoon from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Drawing materials, tea, coffee included in the price of £2.00. No previous experience necessary and support available if needed. Drawing is satisfying and therapeutic and our group is friendly and welcoming. Fitness classes include Matwork Pilates, (all abilities) on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm to 8.30pm and Thursday evenings from 7.00pm to 8.00pm.

Stretch and Tone, (all abilities), on Wednesday evenings from 6.30pm to 7.25pm. All classes £4.00.

Quiz and Supper is Friday 28th October. Homemade supper includes tea/coffee and table nibbles with vegan and vegetarian options available. Prizes and raffle. Tables of up to six. Booking essential. 7.00pm. £6.00 per person. Bingo and Bangers will be on Saturday 8th October. Families welcome. We are providing a sausage supper at 7.00pm for those who want it before the Bingo which starts at 8.00pm. The supper includes locally-sourced sausages, mash, homemade proper mushy peas, baked beans and homemade onion gravy. Pudding, tea, coffee and table nibbles included in the price. (Vegetarian option available.) Price for Supper and Bingo £5.00. Price for Bingo £2.00 per person, (includes table nibbles, tea/coffee). £1.00 per book. Please book if you want supper.

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Lynne Hosking"

Yard Sale

I would like to thank everyone that took part in the recent village yard sale. We collected £47.00 from the sale of the maps (which has been independently verified) and so far £53.50 in donations (of which a list of contributors is available if required) So at the next Parish Council meeting I will give the secretary a cheque for £100.50, payable to the Marie Curie Cancer Trust. If any more money is donated I will let you know

Pauline Paterson

Ding Dong Merrily on High!

Witton Church originally had 2 bells until about 300 years ago when the tower suffered a partial collapse. In 1733 the Bishop gave permission for the smaller bell to be sold as it was cracked, in order to build a shed in which to hang the remaining bell.

This, of course, was never done and it was not until over a hundred years later in 1836 that the tower was repaired and rebuilt as we

see it today. The 8 cwt bell was then simply chained to a beam in the "silence chamber" half way up the tower and rung by "clocking" - simply pulling the clapper onto the bell. This method of ringing often leads to cracking of the bell which is not a good idea for a bell cast in Norwich in the mid-1400's! Also, during work in the late 1990's a floor was put in the belfry above the bell, consequently the bell could be heard better in the Church rather than outside! Thanks to a very generous donation from the Harmer family, late of Manor Farm, Witton, it was decided to investigate the feasibility of rehangng the bell in the belfry. This entailed obtaining reports on the bell itself and also a structural engineer to examine the tower's integrity.

Fortunately no major problems were uncovered, and so now, all of 300 years later, the bell has at last been installed in the belfry at the top of the tower. This installation work was undertaken by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, and now has a purpose built frame with a trigger mechanism to ensure the person actually ringing the bell will not be able to damage it. Consequently, we can actually hear the bell

loud and clear outside the Church!

Charles Owles

Proposed Cycling Group

We are thinking of starting a cycling club for mature amateur cyclists - no pressure, just a gentle cycle amongst friends probably twice a week, to start with, on a route of between 6 - 10 miles.

If this is of any interest to you please give us a call. It is sometimes nicer to cycle in a group than alone.

**Yvonne & Les Walsh
651727**

Edingthorpe News

On the 22nd October there will be a Fish and Chip Supper at St Benet's Hall followed by a Sing-a-long with the musical entertainer "Hank". This will commence at 7pm and will cost £10. For more information text Jan on 07535 125448 or contact any fundraising member.

For the more artistic of you there will be a Christmas Floral Workshop at St Benet's Hall, hosted by Hannah Deane, the well known flower arranger. The cost is £30 for the day, which includes full tuition in this art, lunch and refreshments served throughout the day. To book contact Hannah direct on

Village News AGM

**2:30pm on 12th
November**

**at Sugar and
Spice Cafe**

**Everyone
welcome!**

07909 928858 or Jan on 07535 125448.

Geoff Thomas 405263

Book Group

A date for your diary: the October meeting will be at 2.30 on the 27th. For more details on the books we will be discussing, or if you would like to join us, please contact me.

**Sally Hogden 651085,
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Bacton-on-Sea Gardening Club

Wow, here we are in September already, and what a grand time we have had so far this year. The Open Garden Day on 31st July was an overwhelming success. More than 270

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Diary Dates for October 2016

8th W & R Bingo and Bangers	14th Garden Club
10th B & E P C Meeting	14th Bacton History Group
10th Theatre Visits Group	27th Book Club
11th W & R WI	28th W & R Quiz and Supper

visitors came to see our gardens and enjoy the refreshments in the Village Hall. The weather was perfect and we had some very positive and complimentary feedback about the day. We were totally surprised by the number of people who came to Bacton on the day and we apologise to those of you who were adversely affected by the number of cars in the village. We did locate parking on the event map but, unfortunately, had no control over where visitors parked. Thank you to everybody who recognised this event as a successful way of promoting our lovely village. We know that it is only for five hours, once every two years, but we will endeavour to remedy this predicament for 2018!!

For our last meeting we visited the amazing garden of Lionel Ponder in North Walsham. Who would have known what wonders were hidden away in this gem of his part of the planet?! In addition to being amazed by his creativity we were treated to tea and cake - delicious!!

Our next meeting will be on Friday 14th October 2016 when our focus will be on practical gardening skills. We look forward to seeing you there.

Contact us at bactonosgardenclub@gmail.com

Sue Shaw (Chairperson)
651623, **Barbara Stackwood (Secretary)**
652909, **Barbara Stratfull (Treasurer)**
651236

Theatre Visits Group

The October Coffee Morning will be at 10.30 in Bacton Village Hall on 10th October. Do join us to see what visits we have planned or to make suggestions as to what you might like to see. We look forward to seeing you.

Sally Hogden 651085,
sallymh@btinternet.com

Bacton History Group

We exhibited our collection of postcards, photos and documents in the Village Hall over the August Bank Holiday, once again very well attended by residents and visitors. Our collection provoked so many interesting questions, lively conversations and shared memories and this makes for a valuable and enjoyable experience for us as well as

our visitors - thanks to all of you who came along. Our next meeting will be on Friday October 14th. All welcome.

Jo Arnold 652205
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Witton and Ridlington WI

Institute members have enjoyed two Garden meetings. The first in August at Witton Hall, many thanks to Sally, and the second in another member's garden. Our September meeting was outdoors because of the glorious weather. We enjoyed a supper prepared by members and then received tuition in card making. It was great fun and a tremendous sense of achievement. It is our birthday meeting on the 11th October when the speaker is Michael Ling and his subject is the history of North Walsham. Visitors and new members always welcome -

Kate Johnston
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Cinema

At Coronation Hall, 26 Cromer Rd, Mundesley. Doors open at 7pm when we serve refreshments and the film starts at 7.30pm. Tuesday, 11th October - BAFTA winner Best British

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For more information see www.mundesley.org/film, follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/MundesleyVillageCinema) or call 07710 046869

Mundesley and District SSAFA Ladies

Our October Meeting will be on Wednesday October 19th, 1.45pm, at Coronation Hall, 26 Cromer Road, Mundesley NR11 8BE

SSAFA provides lifelong support to anyone who is currently serving or has ever served in the Royal Navy, British Army or Royal Air Force.

Mundesley & District SSAFA Ladies will be holding its second meeting to discuss future events and fundraising activities including a Christmas Fayre in Coronation Hall.

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On Saturday October 8th at
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close with the popular
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presenting a concert
entitled 'Let the Light
Shine!'. The ensemble of 11
excellent and highly
experienced choral singers
(many are soloists with
other choirs!) is drawn from
all over North Norfolk and
is directed by Tony Knight.
Tony spent many years of
his professional career
preparing excellent
materials for national
initiatives in music
education and has used his
creative skills to forge a
stimulating programme for
this event.

The Singers, who mostly
perform a cappella, will be
joined by members of
Norfolk Winds (who thrilled
their Trunch audience in
the August 6th concert!) for
some of their pieces.

The Winds will also perform
a few separate pieces to
provide further diversity in
the programme.

The programme has broad
appeal and includes...

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(Carter's Softly a Light is
stealing; Ashton's The
great invocation; Bozza's

Musique de Nuit;
Lennon / McCartney's
Because; Whitacre's Lux
Aurumque; Harris' Holy is
the true Light; Elis
Pehkonen's Hymn to the
Sun', Gjeilo's Northern
Lights)

Romantic music
(Reger's Unser lieben
Frauen Traum;
Mendelssohn's Psalm 43
'Send out thy Light')

Renaissance Music
(Lassus' La Nuit froide et
sombre ; Marenzio's
Scaldara il Sol; Byrd's
Allelui emitte Spiritum;
Tallis' O Nata Lux)

Baroque music
(Amner's My Lord is hence
removed; Buxtehude's
Durch Adams Fall ist ganz
verderbt; Schuetz' Psalm
100; Handel's Overture to
the Royal Fireworks Music;
Bach - O Jesu Christ, meus
Lebens Licht)

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£10 (£8 concessions). These
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Church News

St Peter's Church, Ridlington

On the 6th of August Mark
and Sam, with the kind help
of Rodney and Mary,
represented St Peter's at
the Village Hall fete.

The church was packed on
the 11th for the funeral of
long-time Ridlington
resident, Basil Brotcher
Cole. Brotcher spent much
of his working life
delivering animal feed for
Cubbit and Walker. Sadly his
wife Edna was unable to
attend due to her own poor
health.

Six dogs and one tortoise
brought their owners along
to the annual Animal
Service. All parties were
very well behaved.

Now that the combines are
parked and the dust has
settled, we are able to look
forward to the Harvest
Festivals. St Peter's is on

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the 2nd Oct at 3pm. In years gone by, it was tradition to leave the stooks in fields until the church bells had rung three times or rather three Sundays, which would have made a very late harvest, compared to today. There is an autumn churchyard tidy up planned for the 1st Oct, 10 am onwards, so anyone with time on their hands would be most welcome, especially if they own a strimmer. Refreshments provided

Ray Allcoat 651609

**St Andrew's Church,
Bacton**

St Andrew's had a clear and tidy-up of the church grounds on 17th September, cutting back the long grass. Church member Joan took part in the Norfolk Churches Trust sponsored cycle ride, calling at 17 churches and riding about 28 miles.

The Bible Fellowship has now recommenced after our August break, meeting on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 2 Tulsa Way, Bacton.

The Harvest Supper is 1st October at the Village Hall. To book your place, please call. There is no charge but donations are welcome.

Joan Etherington, 536186

**St Margaret's Church
Witton**

We have two articles in the VN this month, more information on the re-hanging of the bell as well as general news. It is so lovely to hear the bell ring out through the village, the sound really does travel quite a distance, it can be heard down here as far as the Village Hall which hasn't happened for an awful long time Great. Work has now started on repairing some of the walls on the outside of the Chancel to prevent

water ingress, so it's all happening!

Congratulations to Philippa and Christian on their marriage in the summer. We hope that they will be very happy in their new cottage in the village. We have had lots of visitors to St Margaret's during the summer, all very appreciative of the refreshments available to them. Our thanks to Charles and Gillian for organising this.

We celebrate Harvest this month on the 9th October at 10.30. We will be decorating the church as usual and if you have any produce or flowers that you would like to donate please do bring it along on the day before, Saturday 8th. We look forward to you joining us to give thanks for our bounteous harvest.

Beryl Lodge 650546

**All Saints' Church,
Edingthorpe**

The Church resounded with con brio at the Songs of Praise on the 14th August As the hymns were chosen by the congregation they were sung with gusto. The enjoyable service was led by our new curate, Rachel Dines, who also joined us for refreshments.

Another enjoyable occasion was the picnic in the grounds of All Saints with songs by Emma Nuule.

Each year we have a 'home spun choir' that gets together in order to accompany the congregation and sing a few pieces at the All Saints Candle Lit Carol Service on Sunday December 18th. The choir meets for six evening rehearsals prior to the carol service each rehearsal is one too one and a half hours in duration and we meet at the church. This year we are seeking a new choir leader. So if you would be able to help us please give

Jan Withers on 07535 125448 a call to discuss further.

Geoff Thomas, 405263

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Sun 9th	10.30	All Age Worship	Bacton
	10.30	Harvest Festival	Witton
Sun 16th	10.30	Songs of Praise	Bacton
Sun 23rd	10.30	Holy Communion	Bacton with Walcott
	10.30	Holy Communion	Witton

All Saints', Edingthorpe

Church of England Vicar: Rev Paul Cubitt 406380
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Sun 30th		No Service	

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