# Woodsetts Village Newsletter

Communicating with the residents of Woodsetts

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### A Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year to Everyone

The Parish Council Wishes to send all the residents







#### WOODSETTS PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Woodsetts Parish Council continues in its efforts to encourage a telecommunications company to work in the village and to provide a much-needed mast that will serve its needs.

Just to recap, CK Hutchison Networks (UK) Itd submitted a Prior Approval Application to Rotherham Planning Department. It stated that the application was for 'the siting and appearance re erection of 18.0m High Phase 8 street Pole, 6 no. Antennas, 1 no wraparound equipment cabinet, 3 no equipment cabinets and ancillary development including 1 no GPS module at Grass Verge at Dinnington Road'. This was the grass verge on the roadside outside the Butchers Arms. The Parish Council received this notification along with several other nearby residents. The application was discussed at the following meeting and the Parish Council felt that it was not an appropriate siting either in appearance or its location for such a project. The Parish Council put forward its objection to the Planning Department as did several other residents.

### PARISH COUNCILS HAVE NO POWERS TO DETERMINE PLANNING APPLICATIONS. THEY CAN ONLY MAKE COMMENT.

The Rotherham Planning Dept visited the site and rejected the proposed application based on its location and its appearance. The Parish Council presented CK Hutchison with 4 alternative potential sites in the village for their consideration but they did not respond. It will continue it's campaign.

#### HIGHWAY ISSUES

Highway issues has been an item on the Parish Council agenda for some time. Several meetings have taken place during the past with members of the RMBC Highways department regarding Lindrick Road along with other areas of concern in the Village. A funding bid, through our Borough Councillors was successful and Woodsetts will now see the development of several road safety schemes throughout the Village. You will all have received a letter dated the 3rd October through the post from Charlie Grimshaw from RMBC outlining the schemes.

#### THE PAVILION PROJECT

A Parish Council Working Party was formed to develop the project and a meeting of the full Council agreed to appoint a local Architects Company – 'CS Surveying and Architectural Design Ltd' to develop a design based on the recommendations of the group.

The application has passed through the Planning Stage without any negative comments.

The plan is for 'single storey and first floor extensions to form improved changing rooms facilities, gym and balcony to the front and rear'. The Architects estimate that the project will cost between £250,000 - £300,000.

In order to progress the project, the Parish Council has voted to apply for a Public Works Loan, there is a separate sheet on this in your newsletter. Further open days are planned to allow members of the public to view the plans. The working party will be requesting skilled people to come forward in the new year as volunteers to assist it in this exciting project. Skills would include for example: fund raising; promotion; grant application knowledge; sports management etc.

#### WOODSETTS NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



We are in need of litter pickers. Can you spare an hour or so to help? You can give as much time as you want or are able.

We do not litter pick for more than 2 hours and it is normally on a Saturday or Sunday morning. We now have our own trailer for collecting rubbish which makes things much easier. We did a litter pick after the village bonfire.

There was very little rubbish to collect. Thank you for your help. It made our job so much easier. If you can help, please contact me on 07812036221.

A crime update... We have only had one reported burglary in the village in the past month which is encouraging. If you would like a booklet from South Yorkshire Police giving advice on securing your home and vehicle. I will put a few copies in Woodsetts Church or... you can contact me on my mobile and I will drop a copy off for you.

Jill Holden

Neighbourhood Watch

#### WOODSETTS EXTRAVAGANZA

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#### **BONFIRE**

On Friday 3rd November Woodsetts parish Council had their bonfire and fireworks

Lots of villages and towns did not have a bonfire but Woodsetts still did however all the residents came out and had a really nice night.

We had lots of refreshments on the night.



Lighting up the dark autumn skies, alongside a roaring bonfire spectacular fireworks could be seen and heard across the District.

Woodsetts yearly festivities mark the anniversary of the failed attempt to blow up The Houses of Parliament in the gunpowder plot more than 400 years ago.

November's weather is renowned for being cold and damp but this year it was the incessant rain that looked to prevent our bonfire celebrations from going ahead. However during the day the sun came out and with a gentle breeze the muddy recreation ground began to slowly dry out and it was agreed the bonfire and firework display would go ahead later that evening.

It was an absolute pleasure to see this year's event being so well supported by so many. Generations of families, friends old and new all coming together to watch in wonder and soak up the atmosphere whilst eating delicious local fare.

A fabulous fun filled evening was had by all.

Definitely a night to remember.

Next year's bonfire will be on Monday 4th November 2024 so put that in your diary

Thank you to all the stewards



#### WOODSETTS CRICKET CLUB

Woodsetts Community Cricket Club have had a very successful 2023 season after 37 games across Saturdays and Sundays. The club finished Division 5 Champions in the Saturday Bassetlaw League and 7th in the Sunday Section 3 North Mansfield League.

Our own Stephen Dye won the bowling averages for the division and as a team we are looking to continue this success and share it with the community.

We are a friendly, fun club and welcome all new members regardless of ability - Those looking to compete or just for some fun. We regularly get together outside of the season to socialise and to celebrate individual and team sporting achievements and personal bests.

We currently play our Saturday matches at Woodsetts and our Sunday matches away with a view to moving all our cricket to Woodsetts in the 2025 season thanks to the council renovating the pitch and current plans for the new pavilion.

Our indoor nets take place throughout the winter from September to March with our next season beginning in April 2024 and we would love to invite anyone with any interest to get in touch with any members of the committee. For any more information please feel free to visit our website:

woodsetts.play-cricket.com





#### SPEED REPORT - 1ST OCT TO 28TH OCT

Short one this month as this newsletter is jam packed! It has been a good one overall, with more traffic than ever and only positive increases in people obeying the speed limit!

<u>Gildingwells Road</u> - 66% of drivers were at or below the speed limit out of 11,958 vehicles

Worksop Road - 80% of drivers were at or below the speed limit out of 75,476 vehicles

<u>Dinnington Road</u> - 74% of drivers were at or below the speed limit out of 87,389 vehicles

#### **WOODSETTS TARA UPDATE**



TARA held its AGM on Sat Oct 28th in St George's Church. It was well attended. Due to Paola Bortolozzo and Adrian Knight standing down their roles were up for election. Peter Wilks was voted in as Treasurer and Ann Hyland as Secretary. Barry Cartwright was re-elected as Chair. Many thanks go to Paola and Adrian for their unstinting work on behalf of TARA. They are leaving the village and we wish them well for the future.

In the past year we put on a trip to Whitby where, thanks to National Lottery funding, we were able to provide lunch at the Magpie for everyone on the trip. The trip to the Trent for a boat trip and lunch was so popular that we had to extend the booking and increase the size of the bus. Christmas will be marked by a trip to the York Christmas Market which has also been very popular.

TARA put on a festival (Woodfest) and despite the weather it was a success. It is hoped that we will be able to put on another festival in 2024, but we will need support otherwise we will not be able to run it. If you would like to give your support, please contact TARA by emailing woodsettstara@gmail.com, Watch out for further information and future trips by visiting woodsettstara on Facebook.

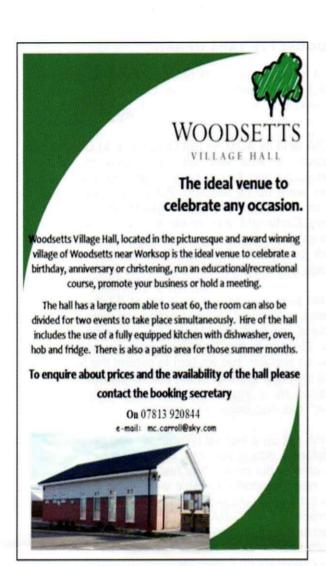
#### **ENVIRONMENT PLAN**

Woodsetts Parish Council are developing a plan on how we can improve, enhance and preserve our environment. The plan aims to consider how we, as residents, can reduce our carbon footprint the amount of greenhouse gases generated by our actions. Ideas may include reducing our use of transport by starting a car-sharing scheme in the village and encouraging the use of local footpaths and cycle routes. Other areas to consider are reducing waste, continuing our tree planting and projects wildflower seeding and improving education about environmental issues. There will be a meeting on Wednesday 17th January at 7 pm in the Village Hall to share ideas, and we would welcome everyone to attend. If you have any questions or would like to be involved but cannot attend the meeting,

please get in touch with Cllr Judith Sherratt via cllrjudith.sherratt@woodsettsparishcouncil.gov.uk

#### THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Royal British Legion would like to thank the residents of Woodsetts for their donations towards the Poppy Appeal 2023. Your generous support raised £2,742 in the Woodsetts District, which will make a real difference to those in the Armed Forces community. Thank you.



### Defibrillator

If you need the Defibrillator which is situated next to the entrance of the Village Hall please ring 999 for the code number to release it, you should also ask for the ambulance service.



#### HOME LIBRARY SERVICE

Did you know if you can't get to a local branch library due to ill health or disability, Rotherham libraries will come to you? They can bring large or ordinary print books (fiction and non-fiction) or talking books on CD. They can deliver up to 20 items per visit, which are issued for eight weeks, so there is no need to panic about hurrying to finish a book or CD. They will next be visiting the Woodsetts area on 19th December, and then visiting every 3 weeks.

For further information please contact Rotherham Libraries via

01709 823886 or 07957 377257

Email: homelibraryservices@rotherham.gov.uk

## Woodsetts Parish Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held in the Village Hall on 20th December at 7pm

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