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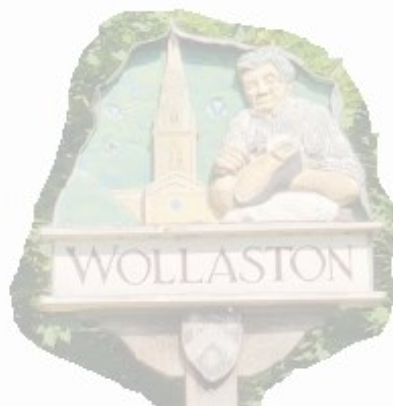
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Spring 2022

The Old
School Room

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Editors Letter

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the first edition of the 'Wollaston Together', a reimagined magazine, available in either a paper copy and downloadable on our new website www.wollastontogogether.co.uk. Our magazine showcases local businesses, groups and opportunities within our community. Enhancing our community is one of the core values of the 'Wollaston Together' and will be at the centre of each edition. The Oxford Dictionary defines community as "a group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common". I define community as "Wollaston; a place where people of all ages and abilities come together to celebrate, help and uplift one another". These characteristics have been demonstrated time and time again in Wollaston from celebrating Masie Summer-Newton to our VE Day street parties; and with the Platinum Jubilee coming up we have another opportunity to "help and uplift one another".

I would like to thank everyone who made this magazine possible, whether you included an update, advert or contributed in any way. I would like to give a special thank you to Cllr Dr Mike Goldsmith and Medigold Health who provided the Events Committee with a desktop allowing us to create the magazine before you.

So, I hope you enjoy reading this edition, because I spent hours putting it together. If you would like to contribute to the next edition, in June, please get in touch via wollaston.ec@gmail.com. We are always looking to include more information that will benefit those in our community.

Callum Boddington

Editor of Wollaston Together & Parish Councillor

Stories of Wollaston

Stories of Wollaston New and Old gives our community a chance to read about Wollaston from a different perspective. Wollaston has been home to thousands of people over the previous decades and centuries, each of them having their own story to tell. This editions story is...

A night for a fright! A story from Margret Summers

During the war a dance was held each Saturday evening in the Parochial Hall. Edie Bayes and myself always attended as our husbands were away in the army, fighting in the war. One evening whilst dancing away quite happily, the sirens began groaning, as usually happened. We all had to go home.

One the way home sirens seemed to be getting nearer so we sheltered in a door way. Whilst standing there a drunken man swayed up to us saying "Are you taking shelter?" Believe me, we were much more afraid of him than we were the bombs being dropped on Green Lane.

We left the shelter and ran home as fast as we could forgetting that bombs were being dropped less than half a mile away. We have had many laughs over the years about this incident. I don't think I shall ever forget it. Sadly, Edie has passed away now, but the memories of these times still remain.

Useful Contacts

Wollaston Surgery	London Road	01933 664214
Village Hall	High Street	01933 663950
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Wollaston Secondary School	Irchester Road	01933 663501
Wollaston Primary School	College Street	01933 664291
Wollaston Parish Council	-	07856 203260
Wollaston Library	Newton Road	01604 368255
St Marys	Hickmire	01933 664256
Baptist	Hinwick Road	01933 327709
Methodist	High Street	01933 664513
Salvation Army	Hinwick Road	01933 663125

Wollaston Community Skate Park!

Growing up in Wollaston I always felt Wollaston needed more expansive facilities for young people. I still believe this, and through my position as a Parish Councillor I am trying to build a community skate park within the Village.

If you would like to get involved with this project please get in touch via:

cllr.boddington.wpc@gmail.com



Parish Council

After a long silence, it is great to once again have a publication which provides news and information, to the people of Wollaston, on a regular basis.

Welcome to Wollaston Together, a magazine which will bring the Community of Wollaston together, and tell you about the different activities going on in the village, and the local business services available.

The last few years have been very difficult for us all. The past two years learning to live with the Covid virus brought fears and uncertainty to the Community. Those dark days were enlightened by the odd moment of coming together, as evidenced by the unveiling of the monument to the seven airmen killed on Shepherds Hill on the 22nd of June 1941. It was truly amazing to see the generosity of the Community to recognize these unsung heroes, and the number of Wollastonians who came to show their respect, showed great respect to these brave airmen.

Due to the pandemic, the usual Council term was extended by a further two years. It was during this extension that Angela Young, after many years of service, decided to step down from the position of Clerk to the Parish Council. Councillors would like to extend our thanks to Angela for her many years of service to the Parish of Wollaston, and wish her well in the future.

Following the recruitment process Ms Debra Styles, was asked to take over the role of Clerk and Chief Financial Officer to the Parish Council. Debra has brought a fresh perspective to the role of Clerk, and taken a proactive approach to Social Media communications. Debra has also completed full Clerk training, and gained a Certificate in Local Council Administration, which means that she will be able to provide knowledgeable guidance and support to the Chair and Councillors, which will ensure that the Parish Council has the information it needs, to gain the best results for Wollaston.

The last two years, have brought about a lot of change to Wollaston. We now have a new Unitary Authority to serve our needs and the Parish Council election in May 2021, saw the stepping down of a number experienced Councillors, and the election of five new Councillors They have spent the last twelve months finding their feet, and understanding the role of the Parish Council and their role as Councillors within it.

On behalf of the Parish of Wollaston, we should thank and recognize the service given over many years from Sue Fowler, Pamela Bailey, Allan Bailey, Jim McKenzie and Geoff Simmons, and welcome Paul Jones, Alan Threadgold, Greg Carter, Richard

Talbutt and Callum Boddington. The Parish Council welcomes these new Councillors and looks forward to the insight that they will bring to our Community.

The impact of Covid and the local political changes at County / Unitary level have resulted in a failure to get together at Parish Council meetings and with Planning and Highways Officers who have provided a lot of support to the Parish in the past. Thankfully, with the increase in vaccinations, those days are slowly retreating, and we look forward to returning to original working relationships with these Unitary colleagues going forward.

Even during the pandemic, there have been a number of improvements made to the village, and I call out the resurfacing of Back Way, made possible by a mix of public and council finance, the upgrade of children's play equipment, the removal of dangerous trees along Hinwick Road, the cleaning up of Wollaston Brook amongst others. We also have a more attentive Police presence, looking at inappropriate road behaviors, parking and anti-social behavior. This increased presence is there to protect the Community; so if you see or hear something that should be brought to their attention then please call 101 or if it is an emergency the 999 number is still the one to use.

It is also great that the Library in Wollaston is still open and serving the Community. We should thank the volunteers and the benefactors, who have come together, to ensure that this facility continues to be available to the people of Wollaston.

Finally, we are all slowly coming out of a period of deep depression and waking up to a new dawn. The coming together of a group of residents under the banner Wollaston Events Committee are putting a fresh energy into bringing the village back to life. The relaunch of a village magazine is just one part of the future activities planned with a Party in the Park to celebrate the Platinum Anniversary of her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, and a number of other events leading up to Christmas. Great to see social activity picking up in the village and also to add the various events planned at The Hill, the Works and the Wollaston Inn. Finally, please visit our Museum and Beacon Hill, located off the High Street. There you will find many fascinating stories about the village, and many members of this community, brought together and managed for you, by a group of dedicated volunteers.

Last but not least, our thanks must go out to the merchants who kept their shops open so that we could still buy our groceries locally and of course the hot food and takeaways who brightened up a generally gloomy time.

It has been a difficult period but we are now starting to move on with our lives and I take this opportunity to wish you all well and keep safe.

Lindsay Alvis

Chair

Wollaston Parish Council

WOLLASTON VILLAGE HALL & OASIS BUILDING, HIGH STREET

The Village Hall Management Committee meet every month to gain updates from the main users and listen to any concerns or issues there may be with the site.



Over the last year the floor in the main hall of the Village Hall underwent a major refurbish which really brought up the lovely colour of the original floor. The buildings have been repainted internally with frosting placed at the windows for privacy. It all feels and looks a little fresher. We are hoping to modernize the kitchen in the Village Hall with new cupboard doors.

There are many local groups who use the site over the week including Busy Bees Preschool in the morning who offer places to children aged 2.5 – 4. Studio 52 Dance Academy are in most afternoons and some evenings. There is dance for a variety of ages and a new singing session. Pop in and have a chat with either group if you are interested.

Over 60's Bowls Club are in on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. They play indoor bowls in the main hall in the Village Hall and provide refreshments. Please do pop in and see them, if you are interested in taking part.

Wollaston Youth Club is open on a Thursday evening from 6.30pm for years 7 to 11 and there is Happy You Yoga on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7.15pm in the Oasis Building, Adult Tap takes place Tuesday evenings in the Village Hall and there is an Explorers Group too.

Please contact Sarah Layram on 01933 663950 if you would like to book either the Village Hall or Oasis Building. Both sites have a kitchen and toilets. Parking is available for site users only out the front with disabled access.



WOLLASTON EVENTS COMMITTEE



 **Jubilee Beacon Lighting**
Thursday 2nd June 8pm-10pm

Join us as we mark the beginning of Wollaston's Jubilee Celebrations at Wollaston Museum, Beacon Hill

Food will be available
Live Music
Beacon lit at 9:45pm



THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE BEACONS
2ND JUNE 2022







Platinum Jubilee Picnic in the park
Sunday 5th June 2022 12:30pm-5:30pm
Wollaston Playing Field

Live Music
Business Stalls
Games

Food Vans
Bar
+So much more



Join us as Wollaston celebrates the Queen's 70th Year on the throne. Our picnic in the park is a fun event for all ages; with something for everyone!



WOLLASTON HERITAGE SOCIETY



Wollaston Heritage Society is planning some exciting events for the summer. The Museum and Curiosity Cottage is open on Sunday and Wednesday afternoons and will open for the season on Sunday 3rd April (2.30 - 4.30 pm). The Museum has had a big makeover! We now have a new lighting system which has made a huge difference and brought our exhibits alive. Among our newly acquired exhibits are a painting of Queens Road, decorated in honour of Maisie Summers Newton and an oil painting of The Ternary in Hickmire by a local artist. We also have two new mannequins one of which will be dressed in Don Loakes' Royal Air Force uniform.

Dates to note:

Our AGM on Thursday 7th April at 7.30pm in the Methodist School Rooms. After the meeting Ruth Thomas will give a talk on Northampton Castle.

We are holding an Open Day on Sunday, 22nd May. The Rushden Mission Band will play in the garden, there will be craft stalls to browse and cream teas to enjoy.

We are working with the Parish Council's Events Committee for an event on Beacon Hill for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We hope to be part of the national beacon lighting on Thursday, 2nd June.

Open Gardens Day has been brought forward to Sunday, 19th June this year, and will take in gardens from the bottom end of the village. If anyone would like to enter their garden, please contact us.

A members visit to Deene Park is planned for July.

Keep an eye on our social media (see below) for more details.

We are always looking for volunteers to help on Sundays and Wednesdays. If you would like to be a guide in Curiosity Cottage, please just let a member of the committee know (01933 664249). No knowledge required, there is a crib sheet provided!

Our contact details:

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WOLLASTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



It has been an exciting few months at the Primary School with lots of positive changes being implemented and lots more on the horizon. Although our school no longer uses the word community in its title we still believe the community is an essential part of us being able to raise standards so we have been busy organising lots of community projects to help our school improve. The biggest one currently is our Early Years renovation project which has been backed by WABIK and is aiming to transform this space so our reception children get access to the absolute best. We have already had so many offers of help from a range of people across the village and the team and I am so grateful for this and we look forward to sharing the final outcomes with everyone once it is complete. If you would like to be involved then please ask to join the Facebook page 'Make Wollaston Primary's EYFS Shine!'

Within school it has been lovely to see all of the children back in classes and not having to be confined to bubbles. We have recently started a brand-new phonics scheme to accelerate the children's progress in reading and this has started off really successfully. As well as this across the school we have over 40 young reading leaders who are supporting the younger children with reading and helping to develop reading zones. We have also been lucky enough to allow more parents into school as volunteers which is something which we have been unable to do over the last couple of years due to covid restrictions. These parents make such a difference in being able to support reading across the school and we are always grateful for the time they give up for us.

Another exciting move is the reintroduction of the PTA which is helping to raise money for our school and are organising some exciting activities for the children to take part in. The first one was the valentine's disco which took place this month and there are also plans in place for a summer fayre to link in the with the Queen's platinum jubilee. The school would like to raise funds for a multi-use games pitch which can be built on our grounds and give groups of children the opportunity to play football and other ball games without interrupting others on the playground.

We look forward to giving you more updates on the journey we are on over the next few months.

WOLLASTON YOUTH CLUB

6.30pm-8.30pm, Thursday evenings during term time

Years 7 to 11, Wollaston Village Hall

We've been going for about 7 years now and it has been great to see all the young adults from top school coming through the door, seeing them grow and develop their confidence. Some of them now help out as Young Leaders.

You will find a relaxed, informal atmosphere, where you can just hang out with your mates and share sweets from the Tuck Shop. You can sit and have a chat, play on the Wii or sing (or try to!) on the Karaoke.

We have board games or larger group games such as football and there is also table tennis, pool, air hockey and table football. We encourage fun competitions like skipping contests, Tug of War and sack races or arts and crafts and cooking sessions.

Feedback is important to us and we have suggestion slips available, so we can understand what members would like to do. After all, it's your Youth Club!

We have our representative Jon, who comes in from the NAYC who has sumo wrestling, in big blow up suits, Curling (have a look at the upcoming Winter Olympics if you're not sure!) and next up is Archery. Richard from NAYC who helps us with all things arty & crafty, including creations with metal work, soaps and candles. Several times a year we have outings for swimming, trampolining, mud/colour runs and roller skating, which are often subsidised by Youth Club. We plan to take part in an Adventure Weekend in September which promises to be lots of fun!

"I've been at youth club for 2 and a bit years now and I enjoy helping out because there is an amazing atmosphere. All the kids are really nice, kind and polite and always willing to take a challenge". A quote from our Young Leader. Come along and see for yourself. **First session is free** (then £1.00/week)

Family Bingo Nights - Great fun for all the family! Please join us:-

Saturday 9 April, Saturday 11 June, Saturday 10 September, Saturday 12 November

2nd WOLLASTON SCOUT GROUP

The Scout Group celebrated our 40th birthday in 2019. We issued a commemorative badge to all members and planned a birthday-themed camp for 2020. We also hoped to hold an event to which we could invite the village and the many former Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers who still live locally. Sadly, Covid-19 then intervened and we had to cancel those events and much more. Since then, we have managed to keep Scouting going through the various phases of lockdown. What we would consider 'proper Scouting' has often been replaced by online meetings via Zoom. We are looking forward to getting back to something like normal this year – hopefully with a camp or two.

In our 43rd year, the Scout Group is thriving despite the pandemic, and is one of the biggest in Wellingborough District. We have waiting lists for Cubs and Scouts and just a few spaces available in Beavers and Explorers. Our usual meeting place is the WAY building in the grounds of the Junior School with the Explorer section meeting in the Oasis building.

If you have a child who is interested in joining a Scout Group, please get in touch. If we don't have a space, we can put you in touch with groups in other local villages who have.

Our team of adult leaders are not all former Scouts or outdoors-y types. They come from all walks of life and have all sorts of reasons for getting involved – some started as parent helpers but stayed on after their children had moved on, some joined to feel part of the community, some were just looking for something to do in the evening. Then they realised that being in the Scouts is fun!

We are always open to new adults who would like to get involved - not necessarily on a weekly basis, not necessarily in a role which is hands-on with the young people. If you would like to give it a try, please contact me and we can discuss how you can get involved.

Paul Palmer

Group Scout Leader

2ndwollaston@gmail.com



HOOKHAMS PATH DEVELOPMENT

By the time this editorial is read the Parish Council hopes the S106 legal document will have finally been agreed and signed and full planning permission reference **WP/20/00314/FUL** is granted to Bloor Homes to commence the development.

The development of 98 dwellings, a community woodland, SuDS attenuation, open space including children's play area, access arrangements off Hookhams Path, and associated landscaping, infrastructure and ancillary development to the east of Hookhams Path is part of a target of 160 new homes set for Wollaston in 2012 by the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy (2011 – 2031). The land owner is The Duchy of Lancaster and the Developer will be Bloor Homes, a combination that is expected to deliver a high standard of housing.



A planning application was presented by Bloor Homes to the former Borough Council of Wellingborough who resolved on 4 November 2019 to grant planning permission in principle subject to a S106 legal agreement being agreed and signed by all parties. The subsequent legal process has taken the solicitors of The Duchy, Bloor Homes and North Northants Council 30 months to complete. The final 106 agreement is now expected to be signed by the end of March and a copy of the final version along with the planning permission will be posted on the North Northants Planning website under reference WP/20/00314/FUL and also on the Parish Council website.

Some statutory archaeological survey work began in February 2022 and will take a few weeks to complete. It is then expected that Bloor Homes will begin the permitted development during this year that will take 18/24 months to complete.

The open space typology as illustrated by the map will be seen to be spacious and

attractive with over half the site a combination of community woodland, amenity and semi natural open green space. There will also be a children's play area.

The Housing map of 59 market homes and 39 Social / Affordable homes illustrates the layout and housing types as follows;

59 Market homes

- 4 x 2 bed bungalows
- 4 x 2 bed house
- 30 x 3 bed houses
- 21 x 4 bed houses (of which 5 will be for custom build)

39 Affordable / Social housing (The provider TBC)

- 10 x 1 bed maisonette
- 10x 2 bed maisonette
- 1x 2 bed Bungalow
- 8 x 2 bed semis
- 9 x 3 bed semis
- 1 x 4 bed house

It is anticipated 10 will be for shared ownership

Wollaston folk and those with Wollaston connections will have priority allocation followed by those registered from nearby villages such as Bozeat and Grendon. More details of social housing criteria can be found by downloading "Your guide to using Keyways" from the NNC website.

There will be a mix of stone faced and various brick faced houses. The two streets within the development will be known as Hollowell Street and Sumner Grove.

The following index linked developer contributions have been agreed they will be legally binding once the S106 is signed;

£348,000 Early years funding to be allocated towards a new build pre-school and Community Hall

£340,000 Senior School facilities

£21,000 Wollaston Library

£50,000 Health care facilities

£136,000 Additional playing pitches and improvement to existing pitches

£53,000 Sports Hall facilities (to be used towards a new build Community Hall)

£36,000 Allotments

£25,000 To be added to the existing fund to eventually provide a Wollaston to Irchester cycle track

2 hectares of Woodland

1 hectares of open green space on site

0.3 hectares land off site for building a new Community Hall and Preschool.

The above funds will become available at various stages of the development as specified in the S106 legal agreement.



The 0.3 hectares of land will be allocated from Duchy land off Irchester Road opposite the school and behind Francis Dickins Close. The first stage will be for an architect to be appointed to prepare plans for the proposed Preschool and Community Hall for the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee to approve. The plans and layout will also need to be approved by the Local Education Authority of North Northants Council and planning permission will be sought from the Local planning Authority. Prior to the planning application stage, a full costing and funding of the project will be undertaken with all details presented to residents for community consultation.

Village Diary

Date	Event	Host	Location
March 2022			
Saturday 26th	Wollaston Litter Pick	Church's Together	TBC
April 2022			
Sunday 3rd	Wollaston Museum Reopens	Wollaston Heritage Society	Wollaston Museum
Thursday 7th	Museum AGM	Wollaston Heritage Society	Methodist School Rooms
Saturday 9th (7:00pm)	Bingo	Wollaston Youth Club	Village Hall
Saturday 16th	Kindness to Ukraine	WABIK	Village Hall
Thursday 21st	Wollaston Parish Council Meeting	Wollaston Parish Council	Village Hall/ Oasis
Sat/ Sun 23rd/ 24th	A Splash of Colour	Studio 52	Castle Theatre Get tickets online

May 2022			
Tuesday 17th	Police Surgery	PCSO Donna Fenner	Library
June 2022			
Thursday 2nd	Jubilee Beacon Lighting	Events Committee	Wollaston Museum
Sunday 5th	Jubilee Picnic In the Park	Events Committee	Wollaston Playing Field
Saturday 11th (7:00pm)	Bingo	Wollaston Youth Club	Village Hall
Sunday 19th	Open Gardens	Wollaston Heritage Society	Wollaston
Thursday 23rd	'The show that never happened'	Th Wollaston Singers	Scott Bader Commonwealth Centre
Friday 24th	'The show that never happened'	The Wollaston Singers	Scott Bader Commonwealth Centre

If you would like to add a date for the diary in the next edition please
email: wollaston.ec@gmail.com

The Wollaston Events Committee has created a new Initiative called the 'Wollaston's Green Initiative' to focus on raising awareness of green issues and promoting sustainability in our community.



Do you remember when 'Climate Change' was what you went on your hols to Spain for, the 'Greenhouse Effect' was what made your seedlings really perky and a 'Carbon Footprint' was something that Santa left on your carpet after coming down your chimney?! Sadly, these terms now have altogether more urgent and alarming meanings which are no joke and we can't ignore.

Wollaston's Green Initiative was born on the back of COP26 last year (the UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow). With various grants available, a small group was set up to come up with ideas and a vision of bringing Wollaston up to date with green issues and ways to make our community and environment more sustainable and climate friendly. The bureaucracy of grant applications is tedious and slow but there are many, many things that can be instigated for free with just a little bit of time commitment and thought.

We thought we'd start by raising awareness of the recycling opportunities available within the village already but which people may not know about. The eagle eyed might already have spotted our Green Initiative 'Planet Earth' logo in the Co-op and library window. We are delighted to be collaborating with Dan the Co-op manager to promote their 'soft plastic re-cycling scheme'. Did you know you can take all your soft plastic bags and wrappers (that can't go in our green re-cycling bins) to the Co-op and they will recycle them? There is a surprisingly long list in the Co-op window of what is accepted so don't delay – do it today! The Co-op also has a used battery recycling box. Also, did you know that the library is a collection point for empty blister packs of pills/tablets? So don't throw you pill packets away – collect them up and drop them off at the library – simple! Over the coming weeks we will be promoting other recycling options that are available on our doorstep.

These are just a couple of examples of simple ways we, as a community, can do our bit to reduce landfill and make our environment that bit cleaner. Of course, there are many, many more ways we can all do our bit (and not just recycling) so keep a look out for our 'Wollaston's Green Initiative' logo that will be popping up to give you some green ideas. We're sure that many of you already have a good grasp of green issues and if you'd like to get involved or spread your ideas in any way, please get in touch via email at Wollaston.ec@gmail.com

The Wollaston Singers

Hello Wollaston,

Last time we spoke The Wollaston Singers were on the brink of performing our final show in the Parochial Rooms before it was sold. That was in March 2020 and we all know what happened next! Well, I am very pleased to report that The Wollaston Singers not only survived losing our beloved venue after 40 odd years but we have also survived the pandemic (so far!). We re-grouped back in August last year as enthusiastic as ever to get back singing. With a brand new logo and the influx of a handful of new members to refresh our ranks (which has lowered our average age by a couple of decades!) we are on fire!!

Hopefully, many of you caught one of our 2021 Christmas performances which we thoroughly enjoyed bringing to the village. We got all festive in December in St Mary's Church, The Hill garden and then 'on tour' around the village with a night of good old fashioned carol singing. Thank you to all those who supported our Christmas events and our 'bucket collections' raised some lovely funds for WABIK and The Motor Neurone Disease Association. If you missed us, fear not, as we are planning to keep the festive momentum going this year and will be entertaining you again this December.

But.....you don't have to wait until December to hear us sing again. We are determined to bring you 'The Show That Never Happened' and after two years we are rustily rehearsing all the great songs we should have performed in March 2020. To bring a nice symmetry to our year we will be performing this show in June and show nights will be Thursday the 23rd and Friday 24th June. We have a new show venue and will be performing at the Scott Bader Commonwealth Centre. Keep an eye out for promotional 'stuff' nearer the time.

Finally, rumour has it that the Village Events Committee are planning some celebrations for The Queen's platinum jubilee in June so you may well see us there performing a rousing rendition of The National Anthem and more!

We look forward to entertaining you soon!

Rachel Nakash
Chair Person, The Wollaston Singers

St. Marys Wollaston

Vision: To be a church that increasingly sees God's kingdom come

Who are we...

We are a vibrant, growing, charismatic village church community, who believe that Jesus came to give us life. So we long to see Him bring joy, peace, hope and healing into every aspect of our lives. Whether you have strong beliefs, just curious or somewhere in between, you will be made very welcome.

What's on...

Here's a brief look at what's on weekly...

SUNDAY:	11am, Wollaston Sunday Service* (groups for children & youth) <i>(Alternative traditional service at Strixton: 1st & 3rd Sundays - 9am)</i> 7pm (every 2nd & 4th Sunday), Worship, Prayer & the Prophetic
MONDAY:	3-4:30pm, Youth Cafe (during term time) 7-8:30pm, Youth Cell Group
TUESDAY:	10-11:30am, 3Ts (Toddlers, Toast & Toys) Toddler Group 7:30pm Weekly Prayer Walking & Meeting
WEDNESDAY:	10:30-12pm, 3Cs (Coffee, Chat, Cake) 7:30pm, Bell Ringing Practice
THURSDAY:	2-4pm, (monthly) Health & Wellbeing Group
FRIDAY:	10-12pm Church is open 7:30pm (monthly) Support group

* this service is live streamed and can be accessed via our website, Facebook page or Youtube channel, see below:

Who to contact...

For more details of the above, or for enquiries about baptism, a wedding or a funeral, please contact the vicar, Adrian as below:

Revd Adrian Morton



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01933 664256



<http://stmaryswollaston.com>



search for 'St. Marys Wollaston'

YouTube search for St. Mary's Bozeat & Wollaston Northamptonshire

Wollaston Baptist Church

(part of Wollaston Churches Together)

Working in and for the community

www.wollastonbaptist.co.uk



Wollaston Baptist Church Group

Sundays

10:30am

Morning Service

Crèche & Children's activities
available for all ages
and abilities.

All are welcome

Breakfast Church

First Sunday of the month
9.30am Breakfast



Followed by short all age
service

10:00 - 10.30am

Praise & Worship Service

Second Sunday
6.30 - 7.30pm

Prayer Together

Third Sunday
6.00 - 7.00pm

Little Pickles



Baby & Toddler Group

Fridays (term time)
1:30 - 3:15pm

Drink & Snack, Toys, Craft,
Messy Play, Song Time & more!



Little Pickles (Wollaston)

Rev Brian White

The Manse

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If you are interested in any of our activities, would like
prayer, a visit, or simply want to talk to someone
Contact the Church Office : 01933 664114

More information, up to date events and activities are
on our website, Facebook page and Noticeboard

"The Pop In"

Coffee Afternoon

Tuesdays 2:00-3:30pm

Phone : Church Office
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for details



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the church
for
fellowship,
Bible study,
discussion
and prayer

Ladies Bible Study Group

Mondays
9:45 - 11:30am

Social Events

Various social events for families,
women and men
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give us a
try?

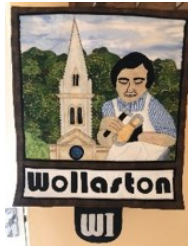
*We are a group of ordinary people
who believe that God is real,
and makes a real difference to people's lives*

WOLLASTON WI

Meets: Second Wednesday of every month – 19.45-21.15

Baptist Church Hall Wollaston

Membership costs £44 per annum / Visitors Fee - £5 per meeting.



Wollaston WI was established in 2012, so this year marks our 10th Anniversary. Visitors are welcome to attend our monthly meetings and we are always looking for new members to bring fresh ideas and enthusiasm. To find out more about the WI nationally please visit www.thewi.org.uk

Like all organisations, the restrictions linked to the pandemic had a big impact on us. Not being able to hold our monthly meetings meant we had to think of new ways to continue the work of the WI and keep in contact with our members to let them know what's happening within the WI nationally. Changes in Committee members affected us but, we remain strong and managed to increase our membership to 31 even though there had been changes to the WI as a national organisation that affected local WIs.

Our last formal meeting was in March 2020 just before the lockdown, but we found new ways of keeping in touch with our members to make them still feel part of something.

- Committee Members phoned to see how they were doing.
- Gave members a cream tea in a box
- Members started to support the local Charity Baby Basics located in Wollaston by knitting blankets and baby clothes, which still continues.
- Provided each member with an advent bag with a gift for them to open each day during December 2020 ranging from word searches, quizzes, sweet, cakes etc.

During 2021 as soon as more people could meet outside and following social distancing guidelines, the following took place

- **June** - Cream Tea in our Secretary's garden - a chance for our members to catch up with friends
- **July** - A group of members provided cream teas at the Heritage society Open Gardens Event Social Gathering in our Treasurer's garden.

From September 2021 we finally resumed our regular monthly meetings in a new venue with the following programme of speakers

- 8th September - Jack Pishhorn about the opening of Chester Farm Estate in Irchester
- 13th October – AGM to elect the committee, followed by a social gathering with food
- 10th November - Terry Whenham about Commonwealth War Graves Gardens
- 12th December – Christmas social gathering with music and quiz
- 12th January 2022 the Jeevan Project set up by Right Resolutions CIC to support young women leaving the care system who experience period poverty
- 9th February – Tom Partridge Underwood – Collector Extraordinaire
- 9th March - Jon Paul Carr – Food Glorious Food.

Starting on the 1st November 2021 – 10.30-12.00 we also introduced a Members Only coffee morning at Wollaston Library on the first Monday of each month (except bank holidays).

A warm welcome awaits you at Wollaston WI. For more information please contact Sue by email sueanddavecarter@sky.com or phone Janet on 01933 664439

WOLLASTON METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Worship with a different preacher each week 10.30am followed by Coffee

Please see the notice board for the relevant preacher.

Saturday and Sunday 14th and 15th May is our Church Anniversary this will also be a Flower Festival.

On Saturday May 14th there will be A Musical Afternoon with our resident organist Mr Andrew Hudson of Higham Ferries. This will begin at 2.30pm; followed by a Buffet Tea

On Sunday, Morning Worship at 10.30 led by Rev Alison Boddington

Mid Week Meetings

Thursday alternate weeks Hot Lunches served from 12noon beginning Feb 10th

Afternoon Fellowship at 2.30pm with various speakers:

Feb 17th Poetry with Elsie a d Hilary

Mar 3rd Tom Partridge Underwood and Jonathan Thompson

Mar 17th Hilary and Peter Tee Holiday Memories

Mar 31st Beetle Drive

April 7th Maundy Thursday Service



WOLLASTON & BOZEAT IS KIND

Hello Everyone and how lovely it is to be part of the first edition of our new village magazine.

WABIK, now in it's 6th Year has continued to thrive and evolve with your fantastic support. We are a community Project and constituted group and also part of the Good Neighbours Scheme run by Action for Communities in Rural England. We have a wonderful Committee who have enabled it to continue to serve the people of Wollaston and Bozeat. We have three aims –

To help those in Financial or emotional crisis, To build community, To save items from landfill and help to prevent food waste.

We mainly operate through our Facebook page – Wollaston And Bozeat Is Kind, we also keep in touch with many of our older members through a phone line. If you are on Facebook, please do join to see what we are doing.

At Christmas, over 100 children received Christmas presents chosen by their parents at our Gift event held. On December 19th, 74 elderly residents received a hot dinner cooked by The Wollaston Inn, paid for by our members and delivered by volunteers. Once again we worked with The Salvation Army and Wollaston School so that 19 households received beautiful hampers for Christmas. We were also able to ensure that 7 households in food poverty received a food voucher. We are continually overwhelmed by everyone's generosity. We are planning for our annual Kindness Day on Easter Saturday where many houses in both villages will receive a Random Act Of Kindness. We are very grateful to The Freemasons who have again pledged to donate Easter Eggs to families are struggling financially.

Our Foodbank is busy as many people struggle with the rising costs of living. We do not have a typical foodbank user, we have young people, those with children, those without, elderly, many who work and some who have lost their job due to illness – WABIK aims to provide a lifeline and not a lifestyle, so we offer food for four days up to four times in a three month period. From March 1st, our 'Leave if You Can – Take What You Need' table will be purely for food that would normally go to landfill and access to foodbank items will only be available through the foodbank on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please contact me if you need help.

There are three ways to donate to our foodbank and we are very grateful for all donations. In the box provided in Wollaston CoOp, By leaving food in Vivienne, the shed in my garden, or through our Amazon Wish List.

We would like to thank Alison Allen and Lianne Betteridge who have stepped down from our WABIK Committee after one year of fantastic appreciated service. Lianne worked very hard setting up our Bank Account and put a lot of important measures in place as well as supporting many of our elderly and those who were struggling to provide Birthday presents. Alison worked very hard helping elderly members and supporting the Foodbank. We welcome Cassie and Stevie who are our new Bozeat Members and look forward to working with them. We hope to be welcoming more new members at our AGM on 10th March. Finally, Thank You to everyone who makes WABIK work, it simply would not exist without you.

Moira Bovenzi, 47 Howard Road, Wollaston.

Committee – Pat Smith, Lynn Robinson, David Tew, Cassie Wiles and Stevie Woodward.



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WOLLASTON CRICKET CLUB



Refurbished Clubhouse & New Facilities. During the early part of January 2021 heavy storms caused problems to many villages around Northamptonshire and along with other cricket clubs we were in the firing line. At one stage the whole field was under water - including the clubhouse along with the enclosed net facility at the far end, adjacent to the bypass.

However, thanks to our insurers who covered the cost, we gradually refurbished the clubhouse, and by the end of the season it was up and running as before the flood. The nets were not so straight forward. The heavy amount of standing water on the site was so severe that as well as damaging the surface it had penetrated the foundations, and after close inspection it was deemed unsafe and not fit for purpose. Replacing it was a daunting prospect but fortunately our insurance covered a third of the cost with the remainder being funded by the England & Wales Cricket Board who also guided us through the necessary procedures. Thanks are due to both parties and we now have a fantastic state of the art replacement which should prove invaluable now and, in the future, and is possibly one of the best in the area. It is longer and wider than the previous net and contains three lanes with extended run-ups and many safety features. Electricity power points will also allow bowling machines to be utilised when necessary.

With three senior teams and a thriving youth and junior section which accommodates youngsters from the ages of five to nineteen, the facility should prove a real asset to our club Wollaston - and surrounding villages, giving our coaches every opportunity to guide, coach and advise our members in a safe environment.

We held our virtual AGM in early February and all three captains were re-elected for 2022. Harry Broome will lead the First team, Nathan Dawson the Seconds and Darren Laughton the Thirds. Our senior coaches will once again be Neal Perry and Nick Broome.

The first round of matches on Saturday April 30th will see our First team travelling to Old Northamptonian 2nds, our Second team at home to Horton House, while our Thirds entertain Weldon at Emberton. Starting times are 11am, 12pm and again 12pm respectively.

With teas once again not provided by the home clubs, a “take your own” will be the order of the day.

At the recent Presentation Night the following awards were presented to:

Mark Ralph - NCL Clive Cross Division One Player of the Year 2021

Mark Ralph - NCL Outstanding Achievement Award for 1000 runs 2021

Ashton Musgrave - NCL U17 Bowler of the Year Award 2021

Mark Ralph - First Eleven Batter of the Year 2021

Harry Broome & Chris Perry - First Eleven Bowlers of the Year 2021

Steve Musgrave - Second Eleven Batter of the Year 2021

Steve Musgrave - Second Eleven Bowler of the Year 2021

Darren Laughton - Third Eleven Batter of the Year 2021

Adrian Ward - Third Eleven Bowler of the Year 2021.

Ashton Musgrave - Wollaston CC Partridge Trophy for Best Young Player 2021

Emma Gibbs - County U13 Batter of the Year 2021

Alex Lawes - County U11 Batter of the Year 2021

Rohan Mehmi - NCL Academy Player of the Year 2021

Please check our website (wollastoncc.co.uk) and Facebook for information and results and if you would like to join the club please email:

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ANIMALS IN NEED

RESCUE HOME

If you have an old towels, blankets, pet food, newspapers, bric-a-brac or tombola raffle prizes that you would like to donate to Animals in need, please phone Maggie on **663313**, who is happy to collect them for you and deliver them to the rescue home in Little Irchester.

Thank you to everyone who has donated in the past!

Send in your PHOTOS of Wollaston and it could be the next front cover of the **Wollaston Together!**



If you would like to **advertise** or **contribute** something in the next edition of 'Wollaston Together' please email:

wollaston.ec@gmail.com

A full price list for advertisements will be provided upon inquiry.

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OPEN HOURS

Monday – Thursday	1600 - 2300 hours	Saturday	1200 - 2300 hours
Friday	1500 - 2300 hours	Sunday	1200 - 2200 hours
Bank Holidays	1400 - 2300 hours		

Time to get walking again!

At this time of year we start to think about the mud drying up and getting out to walk in the beautiful English Countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Northamptonshire <https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/northants> has hundreds of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (the custodian of the website) said 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Northamptonshire (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

John Harris

www.walkinginengland.co.uk

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The events committee is not responsible for any errors in this material, any issues please take them up with walking England.

Puzzle Section

How many words of three letters or more can you make using the word square? You must use the letter in the middle! There are at least one nine letter word. You may not use proper nouns or foreign words.

F	A	I
U	B	U
E	T	L

Your target

Average-35

Good- 44

Excellent-53

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