

VILLAGE HALL.

Good news! At long last the hall has been redecorated and has new heating and is available to let. It even has its own

Facebook page: [Norton Village Hall NN11](#)

Email: nortonvillagehallnn11@gmail.com

It is available for hire

Residents in the Parish.....£7.50 per hour

Non-residents.....£12.50 per hour

Charitable events by arrangement with the hall committee

Special offer for non-residents making a regular booking, £10 per hour for the first 12 months. Any resident of the Parish wishing to make a regular booking please contact the hall committee. Email above or by popping something in the post box attached to the hall by the noticeboard.

FOOD HUB

Daventry food hub operates out of premises at Daventry Town Football Club, Browns Road (opp the tip) They recycle food from supermarkets and welcome people to go along and sign up. This enables you to take 15 items for £5, 12 from the shelves and 3 from the freezers.

This shouldn't be confused with the Food Bank. The hub is there for anyone who could do with a little extra help.

WARM SPACE

Due to the increase in heating costs, West Northants has set up Warm Spaces for those who would like to come and socialise over the winter. The village hall is registered as one of these places and welcomes all every Saturday morning 10-12 (last one on March 30th will be held in the church as it's Easter) Free tea and coffee available.

If you enjoy doing a jigsaw there is usually one on the go you can help with. We are also going to start crocheting poppies for Remembrance Day in November, thought we'd better start early! They will be very simple so come along and give it a try. Suggested name for group "the Happy Hookers" any other ideas?

We're not sure how the hub will go forward after March, it depends on demand and the food supply, (and how the poppies are going) keep your eye on the noticeboard

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

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P.C. MEETING DATES 2024

Tuesday 12th March

Tuesday 14th May

Tuesday 9th April

Tuesday 11th June

Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 14th May 6.00pm

All meetings commence at 7.00pm in the Village Hall

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NORTON NEWS

Spring /Summer 2024



PARISH COUNCIL VILLAGE HALL FOOD HUB EASTER EVENT D-DAY SUMMER FUN DAY?



attached to the village hall.

FOOD HUB

The village hall will be working with the Food Hub and Larder to recycle excess food (mainly perishables and over-stocks) that would go to landfill. As the hub isn't open at weekends, they would like to get some of this food into the villages and will be bringing food to the hall every Saturday 10-12 all are welcome to come and see what is available. On January 27th the Hub brought their pop-up shop and over 40 people turned up and went away with full bags. Most weeks it will be mainly bread and pastries, we will try and post a picture on the village Facebook page/NHW showing what is available on Saturday mornings.



Easter Egg Hunt

This year we are planning to hold the Easter Egg Hunt along with the Food Hub and the Warm Spaces in the church. This will be on **Saturday 30th March** 10-12.30 in All Saint's Church Norton. It will operate slightly differently this year, there will be activities for the children, and of course Eggs. Tea and Coffee will also be available. Again keep your eye on the noticeboard.

HELPERS NEEDED

Could you give up one Saturday morning between now and the end of March? We need volunteers to help with the warm space coffee mornings, open at 9am and make tea and coffee, tidy and be away by 12.30. Dates needed **March 2, 9, 16 & 23**. The distribution of food may continue after March (possibly without refreshments) Please also say if you can help with this. Email as above or drop a note in the hall post box.

TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

We are hoping to hold a Teddy Bear's Picnic over the Summer up on the area next to Jack's Patch for the under 5's (we won't be asking for birth certificates!) This is very much in the planning stage so if you could help or have any suggestions please get in touch. It will only be held if the weather is good so keep your fingers crossed, watch out for updates on the hall

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Over the last few months we have lost 3 Councillors, mainly to relocation. We are fortunate to have recruited some new volunteers who will be joining the Council shortly.

Work is continuing on Jack's Patch, still have trouble getting the correct Play bark.

The field next to Jack's Patch was finally handed over to the Parish Council at the end of January, but it could take another 2 years for Land Registry to update their records!

Roads, traffic is becoming increasingly worse along Daventry Road, excessive speeds, wing mirrors damaged and more. A Councillor has had a meeting and a walk through the village with a highways representative, ideas are being looked at, but.....There's no money!!!!

Village hall will be transferred to a charity within the next year, hopefully sooner, if you would like to be involved with the new set up please contact Catherine Allcott :

nortonvillagehallnn11@gmail.com or drop a note in the hall post box.

Emma clerk@nortonpc.org.uk

SUMMER EVENT?

Save the date! **July 20th**. Still in the planning stages but hoping to hold the event on the grass area next to Jack's Patch. BBQ, games, etc. helpers will be needed. Keep up to date on the Village Hall noticeboard/Facebook/Neighbourhood Watch.

D-DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY

West Northants are asking all Parishes to help celebrate the anniversary of the D-Day landings which took place on June 6th 1944. We will be holding an exhibition in the Village Hall on **June 1st** 11-3 Come and find out more about this important event in our history there will also be exhibits on local history and refreshments.

June 6th is the actual day of the landings the bells will be rung at 6.30pm and followed at 9.30 pm by a dedication read at the War Memorial and refreshments in the village hall.

June 6th is also National Fish and Chip Day....Watch the noticeboard.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH CHURCH SERVICES

For Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals please contact

Reverend Andrea Watkins

The Rectory

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Services: March 10th Mothering Sunday 11am Communion

March 31st Easter Sunday 11am Communion

April 7th 11am Benefice

April 14th APCM 11am

The roof has now been completed and the church is opened and closed every day by volunteers. If you would like to join them please contact Lisa. 07774468413 or email lisakjones@msn.com

BOOK GROUP

nortonbookgroup@gmail.com is held once a month on zoom email for list of books and link to join us.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH (NHW)

To keep regularly updated with what's happening in this area by receiving emails directed from your local PCSO and Regional Police, send an email to:- andree@gemacq.co.uk

ALLOTMENTS

The allotments are managed by Alison Buller, please give her a ring if you are interested in renting one on 01327 879245

NORTON CHARITY TRUST

Norton Charity (Church and Town Estate, Norton) is able to make small grants to help you make ends meet.

If you think we can help, then please email Karin at karin.poolton@outlook.com (07584 255745)

To qualify you have to be a resident within the Norton Parish. Grants will normally be limited to £100, the decision of the trustees will be final

noticeboard, Facebook and NHW email.

