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What's On?

There are lots of events planned in the village during the year - these are the ones we know about at the moment. Please share any others you have planned.

Café Hepworth	1st & 3rd Thur.	(see page 5)
Parish Council Meeting	1st March	
Annual Parish Meeting	5th April	(see page 19)
St George's Day Celebration	21st April	(see page 18)
Best Exotic Hepworth Pavilion	August	(A taste of India!)
Battle's Over	11 November	(see page 8)
Christmas Get Together	16th December	(Mince pies & cheer)

Would you like to help?

Hepworth2Enjoy is a friendly collective of villagers who come together to put on village events and to help others put on village events, providing people-power, experience, and bags of enthusiasm! We are always looking for volunteers - please contact Clare on 250 660.

St. Peter's, Hepworth

14th Feb @1900 - Benefice Ash Wednesday Service (Philip Oliver) 25th Feb @0930 - Holy Communion (Neil Dear) 11th March @0930 - Mother's Day Service 25th March @0930 - Palm Sunday Songs of Praise

We would like to say a big thank you to the organisers of the **Christmas Get Together** on Sunday 17th December at the Village Pavilion. It was a very sociable occasion and the mulled wine and mince pies were much appreciated. We were lucky enough to win one of the

hampers provided so generously by the people of Hepworth and a very big thank you for that too.

David and Ann Tomlin

News from Thurston Community College

Proposed cuts to free school bus provision by Suffolk County Council could remove the choice of parents in many of our catchment villages to send their children to Thurston Community College. Suffolk County Council is proposing to stop providing free bus transport to Thurston Community College to residents that live nearer to another school, even though Thurston will remain the catchment school for all the children in these villages.

This means that children who wish to continue attending their catchment school will have to pay £960 a year for a school bus or find some other way to get to school. We feel this is a huge burden for our families and will mean that a choice of school will only be available to those who can afford it.

We hope all residents will respond to the Suffolk County Council consultation to oppose the proposed changes. Even if you do not have school-age children, this will affect your community.

Suffolk County Council is consulting on three options:

- 1. Change to "nearest school only" wholesale in September 2019 (all students in all year groups would no longer qualify for free transport to Thurston Community College if they live closer to a different secondary school).
- 2. Change to "nearest school only" incrementally, from September 2019 (same as above, but existing students would continue to receive free transport while new students, including siblings, do not).
- 3. Make no changes to the school travel policy, but make savings from other Suffolk County Council budgets.

Thurston Community College will continue to oppose options 1 and 2 which we have shown will not make savings but will result in additional costs elsewhere. Option 3 is the only way to ensure that children in your village will all have the choice to attend Thurston Community College and its Sixth Form.

We urge all local people to make their views known to Suffolk County Council by responding to the consultation by **28 February 2018**. The questionnaire can be completed online here: http://j.mp/H2STrans Full information about the consultation here: http://j.mp/SufTrans

If you want to know more about our campaign against the proposed changes, please visit the College website: http://j.mp/ThurH2S



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1st & 3rd Thursday of each Month in Hepworth Pavilion between 10.30 – 12.00

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Did you know?

The Parish Council has prepared a Welcome Pack for people new to the village.

Do you have a new neighbour?

Copies from Sue on 01359 250 037 or Kath on 01359 250 594 and can also be found on the Village Website at

http://hepworthvillage.co.uk



GREEN FINGERS Garden Club

We are a local, informal, friendly garden club. Green Fingers meetings are held at Hinderclay Village Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.30 in the evening. Annual membership subscription is £12 and our monthly meeting fees are £2 for members (and £4 for non-members)

with refreshments included. You would be most welcome to join us. February 21st

'Going Soft on Fruit' by Graham Proctor of Crown Nurseries March 21st

'Adding Drama/Structure to the Garden Design' by Lucy Redman April 18th

SPRING SHOW

'Putting Plants in the Shade' by Jay of Hedgehog Gardens Will also bring plants for sale

May 16th

A visit to Drinkstone Park gardens. Evening visit

+much, much more

For more information, ring

Ali Carr: 01953 688112 or Val Hobson: 01359 251977







Hepworth Art News

We completed our year on a high note with an interesting December session where we painted each other! I hasten to add – on paper. There might have been some interesting reactions had we all emerged multi-coloured! An art Christmas Quiz followed by a buffet lunch sent us all on our way in festive mood.

After a three week break, at the time of writing and just two sessions in, we began with a gentle ease into the New Year by completing unfinished paintings. The following week woke us up! Fire, Fireworks and Flames! We did our best to paint them and there were some excellent results. Many other themes to challenge us this quarter include Celebrating Burns Night (Bagpipes and Dancers); A Mystery Session; A View through a Window and many others on which to report in the next issue of Hepworth Herald. On 12th February we are looking forward to welcoming Adrian Rumbles, a local artist, who is going to provide a session on Spring and Summer by using our senses. Intriguing!

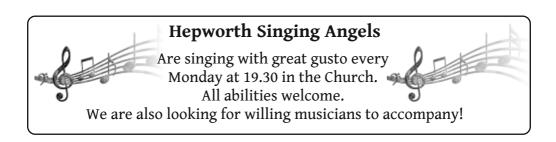
We are always pleased to welcome new members, but because we are full,we shall now be logging these and putting names on a 'waiting list'.

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Battles Over - 11 November 2018

An international commemoration of the centenary of the end of World War I will be held this year on 11 November 2018. Hepworth will be participating in the day of remembrance and further details will appear in the future editions of the Herald. If you have any photographs or memories of service in World War I that you would like to share as part of a village display please contact **Andrew Yorke** on **01359 252252** or at **andrewyorke69@yahoo.co.uk**. Sell your unwanted things here, or advertise for articles wanted. Please contact the advertisers directly to enquire about items. Deadline for new adverts is the 16th March 2018.





Hepworth Defibrillator

Thanks to the generosity of Richard from **Wup Doodle**, Hepworth now has its own defibrillator which will be situated outside the gates of **Stimson's yard**. Signs directing the public to the device will be erected in the near future.



In the event of an emergency when a casualty is not breathing, call 999. The ambulance service will inform the caller of the location and access code to the defibrillator.

A defibrillator or Automated external defibrillator (AED) is a device that checks for heart rythmn and it can send an electric shock to the heart to restore normal rythmn. It is commonly used in the event of a cardiac arrest or heart attack.

Basic life support training sessions and AED training will be available to all residents in the near future. Watch this space.

HEPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Hepworth Parish Council took place on Thursday 4th January 2018 at the village hall where the following Items were discussed.

Attendees: Mr D Stannard (Chairman), Mrs R Vernon, Cllr C Bull, Mrs N Yorke, Mr A Yorke, Mrs K Shearer, Ms L Robinson, Mr G Bloomfield, Mrs S Yeomans (Clerk) Members of the Public: Mrs A-M Thomas, Mr D Yeomans, Mr J Beacroft, Ms H Corris, Mrs W Summerell, Mr R Hinton, Ms C Jones-Davies, Mr N Rumsey - Jaynic Investments, Mr S Crawford - PRC Architects

- 1. Apologies. Cllr J Spicer, Mrs M Macpherson
- 2. Declarations of Interest. There were no declarations of interest
- 3. Minutes of previous meetings. The minutes of the Hepworth Parish Council meeting of 16 November 2017 and the Extraordinary Meeting 7 December 2017 were agreed and signed.
- 4. Matters Arising from previous meetings. Cllr Robinson asked if councillors were still prepared to have their photographs on the website and if so could they submit them to Cllr Shearer to be uploaded.
- 5. Suspension of meeting to receive reports and hear from members of the public present. i. Mr N Rumsey of Jaynic Investments and Mr S Crawford of PRC Architects gave a presentation on proposals for the Shepherds Grove Industrial Estate site in Stanton. The Parish Council are invited to send in their response, including those raised this evening, to the proposal within the next 2-3 weeks.

ii. Mrs Thomas ask for an update on the provision of a path to the bus stop and post box at the Barningham end of The Street. Highways Engineer appointed and site visit to be arranged. iii. Mr Yeomans requested funding for the Speed Indicator Device, a revised quote has been obtained which is £2,714.00, as the original quote is out-of-date.

iv. Report from Cllr Spicer - no report available

v. Report from Cllr Bull

vi. Blacksmith's Cottage update. The St Edmundsbury Enforcement Officer has visited the site and a letter was sent requesting the site be cleared up within 28 days under the Town and Country Planning Act. Non-compliance is a criminal offence. Cllr Bull to monitor. vii. Cllr Bull has been made aware of an amount of £3,373.11 due to Hepworth Village under S106 – which is monies allocated for development (a site in Ixworth). Clerk to write to St Edmundsbury Council to claim the money. There is no decision on the planning application for the Duke of Marlborough site, Cllr Bull to follow it up.

6. Finance. The following accounts for payment were agreed:- SALC, 6 Mths Payroll to 30 Sep 17 – £27.00, SALC, Councillor Training Mrs N Yorke - £120.00, HMRC, Qtr ending 5 Jan 8 - £21.60, Clerk Expenses (Nov-Dec 2017) - £50.00, Mrs N Yorke, travel expenses - £48.15, The Budget for 2018/19 was discussed. Funding for a Speed Indicator Device and this was unanimously agreed. £2,000.00 to be allocated. Copy invoice to be sent to Cllr Bull who will donate a further £714.00.The Budget was approved. The Precept Application was approved and signed, Clerk to submit.

- 7. Clerk's/RFO Report:-1. Bank Balances @ 19th December 2018 Community (current) account £5,989.49, Business Saver account £1,828.57 2. Speed Watch Sessions 7 Nov 1 speeder, 17 Nov 6 speeders, no sessions in Dec. 3. Clerk to attend a free PFK External Audit Briefing SALC on 30 January 2018
- 8. Planning Applications. There were no planning applications
- 9. Privacy Notice, Complaints Procedure and Risk Assessment. All documents reviewed and adopted.
- 10. Changes to School Transport. Bring forward to the next meeting.
- 11. Blacksmiths Cottage. See Cllr Bull's report above.
- 12. Footpaths. Representation at Public Enquiry into claimed footpath 20th March 2018 it was decided not to send a representative.
- 13. Highways.

i. Flooding has been reported on Barningham Road. Cllr Shearer advised the Council had put a drainage pipe in the ditch some years ago. The ditch cannot be dug out (the usual fix) because of the presence of the pipe. The flooding was reported in December 17 and was flushed through. The pipe has been rodded and cleared of plastic bottles etc. Reported as an ongoing problem. Clerk to write to Highways as it is believed the that the pipe may be of insufficient diameter.

ii. The speeding sign on the A143 is still not working. Clerk to report again.

- 14. Fund Raising for Speed Indicator Device (SID). The Parish Council and Cllr Bull to provide funds. See budget discussion above.
- 15. Battles Over 11 November 2018. A tribute 100 Years of Remembrance. Siting for the bonfire beacon to be decided. Anyone with memorabilia, photos etc sought.
- 16. Correspondence. There was no correspondence
- 17. Questions to the chair. There were no questions to the Chair
- 18. Any other business.

i. Clr Robinson advised that Mr Richard Argent of WUP Doodle Ltd, has purchase a Defibrillator which will be sited on a wall in Stimsons Yard, The Street, available for the whole village to use. Clerk to write and thank Mr Argent. Clr Robinson to clarify how access is gained to the machine. Clr Robinson and Clr A Yorke to arrange a session to demonstrate using the Defibrillator. It was agreed to purchase 2 plastic Defibrillator signs, one each end of the village, and 2 plastic Defibrillator signs for the entrance to Stimsons Yard.

ii. 5 April 2018 – Annual Parish Meeting. It was agreed to invite Mr D Palgrave to give a presentation on Origin and Development of Surnames. Village groups to be invited to give a brief presentation. Start time of meeting agreed at 7pm

The meeting closed at 9.55 pm

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on 1 March 2018. 2018 dates - 1 Mar, 5 Apr Annual Parish Meeting, 3 May Annual General Meeting, 5 Jul, 6 Sep and 1 Nov

Trees for Hepworth

I would like to introduce myself to you; I've been the Tree Warden for Hepworth over the past year and would like to identify places in the parish where trees and hedges could be planted with the landowner's permission. Volunteers could help in this process. The trees and hedging will be supplied by the organization, 'I Dig Trees', grown in Britain, using seed collected in the UK from native species.

As the Tree Warden for the parish I was invited to attend the annual East Anglia Tree Warden regional forum being held at Cockfield this year, the meeting was well attended. It focuses on making trees matter to people; more trees, of the right kind, in the right places; better care for all trees of all ages and inspiring effective action for trees. It works with its national volunteer Tree Warden Scheme and member organisations to engage people in biodiversity and environmental issues and to promote planting and conservation of trees and woods in town and country.

At the forum, we heard of many plantings of woods etc. at parish levels over East Anglia. In the afternoon, we had a guided walk to have a look at Cockfield's impressive creation of their wildlife areas along the old railway line and surrounding land.

I have been a resident in Hepworth since boyhood and during that time there's been many changes; the disappearance of hedgerows, trees and spinneys, also witnessing the demise of the Elm, which once thrived on our landscape. With now the threat to other species such as the Ash die back and looking at the age of many trees on the outskirts of the village, you will find some are in their final years, particularly the oaks in Market Weston road. I believe it will be beneficial if the parish had a commitment to undertake a plan to plant trees for the future generations to appreciate together with wildlife.

It would be good practise to use native seed from local trees to grow young seedlings for future planting, although these seedlings will take time to establish for transplanting. It is great to see work has already begun from the new owners of a parcel of land bordering Dunhill Lane, who have had the insight, (given the outlines coming from government regarding farming subsidies in the future) to allow the hedge and young Oak trees to re-establish, from the ancient hedge that once flourished there, hopefully giving inspiration for others to follow suit.

If you would like to offer any suggestions or would be able to volunteer any help I will glad to hear from you, please contact me at:

Peregrine Penn p.penn1@btinternet.com

Hepworth Weather

(as measured on The Street)

Max. Temp:15.2C22ndNovember 2017: Min. Temp:-1.6C25thWettest Day:7.1mm30thTotal Rainfall:33.1mm

Another dry month, 54% of months total rainfall falling in the last 6 days In spite of very cold weather in the last week, temperatures were around average for November. Sleet/snow on the 30th.

December 2017:	Max Temp: Min Temp:	12.9C -3.6C	31st 17th
December 2017.	Wettest Day:		26th

A wet month with temperatures around average. More days of snow/sleet falling than in any December since 2010. Ground temperature still relatively warm, therefore grass frosts were not severe and any lying snow did not last

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THE REAL HOUSEWIVES OF HEPWORTH VILLAGE

A tongue in cheek, long-suffering farmer's wife view of life on the farm. Last time, we left our Housewife enjoying unexpected "me time" in the bath during "Operation Bale"...

Let me elaborate on "Operation Bale." At the straw stack some couple of miles away ('off farm' is the terminology used) there is a JCB Teleporter ready to load the straw onto the tractor and a very big trailer: At this end there is another Teleporter unloading the straw bales, which come in many forms with names so innocuous I can't remember them, all I know is they're big, very big.. "Operation Home Stack" is carried out courtesy of a farming friend and his JCB, suitably kitted-up for the job in hand, or should I say for the job in grapple? The unloading is done outside the gate, necessitating care by any passing driver in order to pass the tractor and trailer. The situation of the trailer on the road explains why so much straw is in the yard, on the opening and down the road. My clear-up operation will be me, it's as simple as that, as soon as I can get round to it, with a large brush and lots of energy. (Am I up to the task?) Not sure my back is.

Anyway, back to my bath, you would think a bath had only one use and that is to bathe in it Oh no, not here, no way. Let me explain to you some of the uses for the bath here at the Farm.

Said bath is used for bathing young Labrador when she has decided to have a very social time with her friends the pigs, ie jumping into the sheds at every available opportunity and wandering around as if she is one. By the time she is coaxed out she looks and smells terrible. Thus bathing her takes place after a long, tiring day, involving Him Outdoors and myself, in yet again, a near-on military manoeuvre, with me taking orders as to when to pour more water on her, squeeze yet more shampoo onto hands, provide more towels, empty bath, then thoroughly clean bath.

Said bath is also used by Son for washing football boots after the "Game". On one occasion, said bath was used by son for standing in bath with football boots on, as Son had superglued the soles of his football boots, played a game and then, guess what, the soles had stuck to, not only his socks, oh no, nothing so simple, but his feet too!

To be continued...

Hepworth & District WI

We spent the first half of our first meeting of the New Year discussing the short list of five resolutions to go to our National AGM in Cardiff in June. All five had good reasons for being chosen and our votes on them will be taken account in the final decision. We followed this with a welcome glass of mulled wine or nonalcoholic beverage and some enjoyable nibbles while listening to a selection of favourite songs and pieces of music. This gave us a chance to catch up on news and to consider the events being put on by the Federation in the next few months.

On February 8th we have a speaker Frances Hart who will be telling us all about Celia's travels. Not our president Celia but Celia Fiennes and it promises to be an interesting evening. The meeting is at Hepworth Pavilion at 7.30pm when visitors who want to know more about the WI are very welcome. If you want more information about Hepworth and District WI please ring me or for general information about the WI look online at either the national federation web pages (https://www.thewi.org.uk) or the west suffolk one (http://j.mp/WI-suffolk-west).

Hepworth Lottery				
Date	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize	
4.11.17 11.11.17 18.11.17 25.11.17 2.12.17 9.12.17 16.12.17	Davis 22 Church Close Autumn Cottage Claire Poplars 31 The Street 20 Church Close	28 Church Close 15 The Street N. Clarke Ward 24 Church Close Davis G. Stannard	21 The Street 20 Church Close 20 Church Close G. Stannard Ferguson Poplars 21 Church Close	
23.12.17 30.12.17	Willowdown	Holiday week Ferguson	Freeman	

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In Your Garden

February is upon us and depending on the weather, real signs of spring should start to appear later in the month. On days when conditions are bright, there's enough to do in the garden to keep us moving and warm. Vegetable gardens may still look tatty from the autumn. Remove annual weeds as these may be flowering and seeding before you realise. Some preparations for vegetable growing can be made in the warmth though. Begin planning your plots so that similar crops are grown in different areas to last year, with a 3-year rotation being popular. As a rule of thumb, the three groups are; potatoes; roots and Brassicas, and Legumes (Peas and Beans) salad crops can fit in as required as these are generally quick to grow and less hungry. Potatoes should follow Brassicas, Brassicas should follow roots, and roots should follow Potatoes.

Because the deciduous leaves have yet to flourish, it's easier to prune hedges, shrubs and trees at this time of year, and before bird nesting begins. There's a range of tools to make the task easier, but they will all work best if they are sharpened for the job. This applies to shears, loppers hedge-trimmers and chainsaws. You will get a cleaner cut, which means a reduced chance of fungal infections, and the job will get done quicker too. Fruit trees also need pruning at this time of year before buds begin to 'break'. As a rule of thumb, reduce last year's growth by around a third, cutting just above an outward facing bud. Also take the opportunity to prune out dead and diseased wood and any growth which is 'crossing' the centres.

Look out for early signs of emerging plants and make sure that they aren't obstructed by dead leaves and other debris. Flowering stems of Hellebores, Primulas and spring bulbs will now be rising so give them a chance to do their best. In the vegetable plot Rhubarb will be doing the same thing but for this it's possible to cover the crowns to keep the light out and the resulting bright pinkish stems will be luscious and sweet. Rhubarb is of course a herbaceous plant in its true sense, but for other ornamental herbaceous plants, we're now at the last part of the season for dividing and re-planting.

Also emerging before very long, will be the lawnmower. Before you need to use it, give it a quick check out to make sure it will still start easily and that the blades are as sharp as they should be. Sharp blades will reduce the workload on the engine and give a finer cut. Happy Gardening!

Ian Shilling, Marlows Home & Garden

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Hepworth Speedwatch News

Along The Street. Nov. 2017 2 sessions, 7 vehicles logged. Max speed = 42 mph Dec. 2017 Nil sessions If you are interested in joining the team and helping us slow down traffic through our village, please get in touch with Richard Hinton - 01359 251484

We are on the hunt for Covers

Heroworfflerald

Hepworth Herald would love to feature the talents of its residents (of all ages!) on the front cover. If you have a seasonal painting, drawing or photo you would like to share, please consider submitting it for the next issue to hepworthherald@gmail.com

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21st April 2018 Arrive 1830 for 1900 Hepworth Pavilion £8 per person

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Hepworth Annual Parish Meeting

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5th April 2018 @1900
Hepworth Pavilion

A social get-together and Annual Meeting for all Hepworth Parishioners.

Come along and meet your Parish Councillors, find out about village groups and share ideas for future village projects.

The evening will also include a fascinating talk on **The Origin and Development of Surnames** by Mr D. Palgrave.

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