



WELCOME TO OUR  
**AUTUMN**  
EDITION

### Improved cycling and walking routes in Sherwood Forest

Nottinghamshire County Council have been successful in obtaining £500,000 from the Government's Growth Fund to improve cycling and walking routes in Sherwood Forest in support of the creation of the new Visitor Centre. This will be welcome news for all the local people and the many visitors who enjoy walking and cycling in the forest. The Visitor Centre is due to open next year and should give a big boost to many of our local business on the High Street and Craft Centre.

# EDWINSTOWE VILLAGE

# NEWS

## Edwinstowe Village News Autumn 2017

Welcome to our latest edition of Edwinstowe Village News. As usual, it's full of news about what's been happening in the village, articles from our community groups, information from your local councillors and some dates for your diary. An important date is the Annual High Street Christmas event, organised by the Parish Council. This festive community event seems to get better every year,

so please check the article inside for more information. There's also a report about the day the Tour of Britain cycle race came through Edwinstowe and an update on the Parish Council campaign against fracking in Edwinstowe and the Sherwood Forest area. We always welcome residents' views on any of the articles and there is a reply slip in the magazine.

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# HIGH STREET IN SUMMER



**Edwinstowe High Street has never looked better.**

Summer seems a long time ago now, but there were many positive comments from residents and visitors about Edwinstowe High Street. There were the hanging baskets outside the shops and on the lampposts and the flower tubs the Parish Council recently installed. All of the colour was enhanced by the High Street having been resurfaced and our Parish Council staff repainting all the bollards and other street furniture. Of course the Parish Council staff are out every day from 7am in the morning, picking up the litter, watering the flower tubs and hanging baskets and generally making sure our High Street is a village focal point we can be proud of. The High Street really is on the up, what with the welcome refurbishment of

the Royal Oak and The Jug and Glass, plus the old chapel (formerly Bentley's Bakery) and the Old Library. Chair of the Parish Council, Councillor Celia Brooks said, "The High Street is looking the best it has for many years. If people think back five years ago, it was beginning to look down at heel with the number of boarded up buildings. Councillors took the decision to work hard to brighten up the High Street with more flowers and banners, press for it to be resurfaced and work with the District Council planners to get planning permission through to bring buildings back into use. Making sure Edwinstowe has the most attractive High Street of any village in this part of the County, is an important part of making it a great place to live."



## NEWS

from your  
County Councillor, John Peck

Many residents will know I've been campaigning for several years to get the Robin Hood Line extended to Edwinstowe and Ollerton. I would love to see Edwinstowe's historic station re-opened to passenger trains. At the September meeting of the County Council, I moved a motion to commit the County Council to supporting the extension of the Robin Hood Line as part of the next East Midlands Rail franchise, due for renewal in 2019. We need Government support to make this happen and so I will keep pushing at every opportunity. I know our MP has been lobbying the Minister and it needs everyone to be working together on this.

I've promised £1,000 out of my Councillor's community fund to put a defibrillator at a location on the High Street. I've also donated £250 to Thoresby Sporting Trust who are installing one at their Pavilion on Fourth Avenue.

I'm pleased the Parish Council will also be installing one at another location in the village. Defibrillators save lives in those minutes before the emergency services arrive.

I'm pleased to see the new Visitor Centre making progress but I have written objecting to the proposed speed limit on Swinecote Road. I want to see the 30mph limit extended to beyond the vehicle entrance to the new car park and a 20mph zone either side of the pedestrian crossing. I am also pressing for Church Street to be re-surfaced.

The filter which I asked for on the traffic lights at the top of the High Street has now been installed and has made it easier to turn into the High Street from Mansfield Road. As usual, I've been getting the potholes and faulty street lights reported. Please contact me if you have a pothole or faulty street light on your road and I'll make sure it gets fixed.



# Christmas

at Sherwood Forest Country Park

## Dog Grotto

9 & 10 December  
11am - 12.30pm & 2-3pm  
**£2 minimum donation**

## Festive Merriment & Ceilidh Dancing

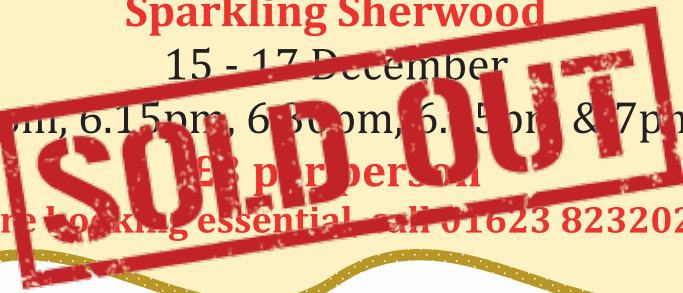
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Call 01623 821321 for more details  
**£24.95 per adult/£13.00 per child**

## Christmas Trail

25 November - 7 January  
Weekends only 11am - 3pm  
**£1 per trail leaflet**

## Sparkling Sherwood

15 - 17 December  
6pm, 6.15pm, 6.30pm, 6.45pm & 7pm  
**£3 per person**  
(pre booking essential, call 01623 823202)



## Santa's Grotto

25 November - 17 December  
Weekends only 11am - 3.45pm  
**£5 per child (includes small gift)**

## Tree Dressing Day

3 December  
11.30am - 1pm & 2pm - 4pm  
**Free Event**



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# Get outside your CAVE in EDWINSTOWE!



Outside the Cave is our exciting new non-profit organisation based in Edwinstowe that aims to help empower people to overcome anxiety, stress, loneliness and other conditions that prevent people living full and happy lives. OTC run a range of workshops and classes with something to suit everyone. For younger members of the community we run Kids Yoga and Mindfulness sessions that include stories, fun mindful activities and lots of yoga. Yoga's not just for the kids either. We have several adults' Beginners Yoga sessions as well as Gentle Yoga for those struggling a bit more with mobility.

Our 9 week 'Introduction to Mindfulness' course explores how we can change certain thought patterns and habits and helps us apply techniques that enable us to enjoy and truly appreciate living in the present moment. If you are new to this why not pop along for a free taster session?

We really want the project to be community centred and would love members of the community to share their hobbies and skills with one another by running sessions at the centre.

We have a Fibromyalgia Support Group running on site for people living with chronic pain conditions and we are also lucky enough to have a Holistic Massage therapist on site as well as an Acupuncture specialist.

As this is a new project we are looking for local people with time on their hands who might be willing to spare a few hours to help support the day to day running of the project and possibly help us with fundraising ideas.

We have our new community garden starting soon and lots of exciting ideas in the pipeline. More than anything we would love to encourage groups of like-minded people to get together in our social, supportive environment to share their interests and skills which all promote happiness and wellbeing.

To find out more about what we do and read some of our customer reviews visit our Facebook page @outsidethecave. We'd also love to see you at Sherwood House, Ollerton Road, Edwinstowe (behind Bargain Booze) or call us on 01623 822428. Alternatively email [outsidethecave@icloud.com](mailto:outsidethecave@icloud.com).

At OTC we have a lovely range of products on sale from local (and very talented) crafters and wellbeing practitioners. Call in at the barn - open from 10.00am Tuesday - Saturday and find out about Weleda's totally natural range as well as Forever Living's aloe vera products. Beautiful art work by Sue Scott is on sale as well as a sumptuous range of Darcey's candles, melts and burners, just perfect for getting cosy throughout the winter months. Mimsboutique have a lovely range of unique gift items from doggy bandanas to glitter wine glasses and Elisete Marques crocheted toys are perfect gifts for the young ones. We also have a fab range of superhero inspired Lego pictures on offer. And don't forget you can order lovely Christmas wreaths and gift baskets or better still come along and make up your own to give to your loved ones this year.

All this and much more will be on sale at our 'Retail Therapy' evening on December 7th 7.00pm - 9.00pm (along with some festive refreshments) and at our Christmas Fair on Sunday December 10th from 11.00am - 2.00pm. So why not come along, find out more about the project and pick up some Christmas treats too?



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# FOURTH AVENUE PLAY AREA

## MORE EQUIPMENT INSTALLED

As a result of successfully obtaining £5,000 from the Tesco bag scheme, the Parish Council has installed some more play equipment on the new Fourth Avenue play area. Parish Councillor Alison Troop who is on the Park and Open Spaces Committee said, "The new play area is a great success and is proving very popular. The additional equipment makes it even better, but we haven't finished yet. We are expecting to obtain another £30,000 from a development in the village, which is earmarked to complete the play area over the next year or two."

By the time the play area has been completed, the Parish Council will have spent over £200,000 carrying out its pledge to improve play facilities for children and young people in the village. This has been done by being very successful at obtaining grants towards the Fourth Avenue play area, building the skate park and extending the play area on Jubilee Park. This has been achieved without raising the Parish part of council tax (the precept). Very few local villages have the children's play facilities we have in Edwinstowe.

### Edwinstowe Parish Council - Working to make a difference ORDINARY MEETING DATES 2017/18 – TUESDAYS

- 19 December 2017 (if required)
- 16 January 2018
- 13 February 2018 (start at 7.30pm)
- 13 March 2018
- 17 April 2018
- 8 May 2018 (including AGM)



MEETINGS COMMENCE AT 7.00PM UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED



December 2017 – Forestry Commission

I am Amy Chandler, Community Ranger for the Forestry Commission. I help people engage with their local woodlands. The last few months I have dealt with a lot of fly tipping in the Birklands. It's a common problem across our woods but the warm weather does seem to encourage people to clear out unwanted things. Dumping in the woods is bad for wildlife and people. It takes up time and money better spent improving woods. Please be responsible and visit the local tip and if you see some please get in touch.

Do you enjoy the outdoors, getting stuck in and like a bit of hard work? I am always looking for volunteers to help care for the woods. I have a weekly volunteer group on a Wednesday afternoon based in the Ollerton area which caters for everyone. Even if you just want some fresh air, a cup of tea and a chat you are more than welcome. We are recruiting for new Shadow Rangers in the next few weeks too. If you want a career in the environmental sector it could be for you.

In other news we will be selling Christmas trees in Sherwood Pines from the 1st December to 18th December.

If you want any further information or you have a question about the woods or the Forestry Commission feel free to get in touch at [amy.chandler@forestry.gov.uk](mailto:amy.chandler@forestry.gov.uk) or ring me on 0300 067 5443 or visit [www.forestry.gov.uk/visit](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/visit)



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## BUDBY SOUTH FOREST

Autumn Update

The leaves are starting to turn from green to orange, fungi is fruiting everywhere and the migrant birds are passing through. It can only mean the seasons are changing, even if it feels too soon!

The summer has been a lovely one up on the heath. The warm and wet conditions resulted in a great growing season for the heather, which still looks very pretty now. The specialist heathland and woodland birds that we're lucky to have here in Sherwood have done well, with good numbers of nightjar, woodlark, tree pipit, redstarts, linnet and yellowhammers to name a few. Lizard sightings, butterfly and botanical records have also been on the up this year. The English longhorns have done a good job grazing back the grasses, and haven't escaped this year thanks to some new fencing and repairs.

Looking forward to the winter, and the fencing work will continue where the worst damage occurred last year. A small number of cows will stay on the central compartments, along with a flock of Hebridean sheep. They'll be on from October to around Christmas time (as long as it's not too wet!) to help maintain the open areas of heathland. The animals will browse off the bramble and birch seedlings that threaten to take over the heath if left unmanaged. The volunteer team and I will also be tackling yet more invasive birch and pine in areas that have scrubbed over. Our work can look a little unforgiving at first, but without it we could lose Sherwood's important heathland wildlife like nightjars and woodlarks, and who would want that?

If you'd like to know more about the future plans for Budby, please do get in touch.

Cheerio,  
Chloe Ryder Site Manager, Budby South Forest

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Email: [chloe.ryder@rspb.org.uk](mailto:chloe.ryder@rspb.org.uk)



Hebridean sheep like the ones coming over from Thoresby Estate.  
Image from [hebrideansheep.org.uk](http://hebrideansheep.org.uk)

## SWITCH - your energy deal to save money

A collective switching scheme to help Nottinghamshire residents get a better deal can help to save money on fuel bills. Many people never change their supplier or are uncertain how to do it. This often means not getting the cheapest deal for gas and electricity.

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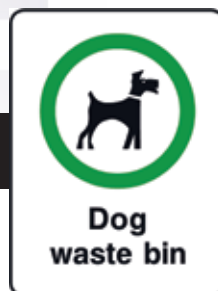
## POLICE BEAT SURGERIES

Police Beat Surgeries will be held at the Parish Council Office in the Village Hall, Mansfield Road on

**Thursday 16th November at 11 am**

**Wednesday 20th December at 11 am**

*Look out for the banner on the Village Hall gates.*



## DOG BINS - please use them!

Most dog owners are responsible and "scoop the poop." There is far less dog mess in the village than say 10 or 20 years ago. There are still a few irresponsible dog owners though who persist in allowing their dog to poo in the middle of the pavement. Chair of the Parish Council, Councillor Celia Brooks said, "The Parish Council spends something like £2,000 a year having dog bins installed and emptied and we've gone to considerable expense on putting dog bins around the village. Dog fouling is unpleasant for residents and visitors so my message is please bin it."

Dog owners may not be aware that if there isn't a dog bin nearby, you can put the tied up bag in an ordinary litter bin, but do make sure the bag is properly sealed.

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## BENTLEY'S BAKERY BECOMES ANTIQUES SHOP

The transformation of the old Wesleyan Methodist Chapel (in more recent years, better remembered as Bentley's Bakery) to an antiques shop has restored another historic building on the High Street. The Old Library, further down the High Street has also been brought back into use, to add to the recent re-opening of the Royal Oak pub and the conversion of the Jug and Glass. All these buildings had been empty, in some cases for years. Think back a while to when there were a lot of empty, boarded up buildings and the transformation has been remarkable. The Parish Council, District and County Councillors have played their part too, supporting planning applications painting the street furniture, improving the floral displays, putting up flags and getting the High Street re-surfaced. Hopefully, this will all help to encourage more people to visit our High Street and boost trade, particularly when the new Visitor Centre opens. Edwinstowe has a proud 90 year mining history, but is very well placed to continue to thrive as the gateway to Sherwood Forest - "Robin Hood's Village."

## REMEMBRANCE PARADE

Following advice and guidance from the Nottinghamshire Constabulary, it has been necessary to modify the route for this year's parade. All groups are to gather on the service road between Birkland Avenue and

Welbeck Drive. This will form both the assembly point and the start/stop point for the march to/from St Mary's church and the Memorial. Once again we shall be joined by a component of the Thoresby Colliery Band and the Dukeries Academy Combined Cadet Force. Timings are identical to last year.

There will be a rehearsal run-through at St Mary's church at 6pm on Thursday 9th Nov 2017.

All enquiries to RBL Secretary Phil Jones on 01623 824787 or email [p.jones251@btinternet.com](mailto:p.jones251@btinternet.com)



REMEMBRANCE DAY  
*Left We Forget*

## WHAT GOES ON HERE AT THE ABBEY ROAD COMMUNITY CENTRE

<b>Monday</b> Emily's Friendship Group	Starting at 10.00am
<b>Monday Evening</b> Evergreen Club - Social/Bingo	Starting at 6.00pm
<b>Tuesday Afternoon</b> Emily's Exercise Class	Starting at 1.00pm
<b>Wednesday Evening</b> Evergreen Club - Dominoes/Bingo	Starting at 6.00pm
<b>Thursday Evening</b> Whist Group	Starting at 6.00pm
<b>Friday Afternoon</b> Abbey Road - Art/Craft Group	Starting at 1.00pm
<b>Friday Evening</b> Evergreen Club - Social/Bingo	Starting at 6.30pm

## CASH STOLEN FROM ELDERLY RESIDENT IN CAR PARK

Edwinstowe is considered to be a low crime area but we are not immune from crime. In August, an elderly resident was approached in East Lane car park asking to change a note. On revealing her purse, the stranger took money and ran off. The lady was not physically attacked but was of course very distressed. It is not thought the thief was a local person. This was a crime against an elderly and vulnerable person and older residents in particular do need to be vigilant. Since then there have been further similar incidents. There have also been a number of burglaries, van and shed break ins this year.

The police advise residents to keep their security arrangements under review. Advice is available from the police. The police hold regular surgeries for members of the public in the Parish Council office at the Village Hall. Do watch out for the dates. Parish Councillors also meet with the police several times a year at "Safer Neighbourhood" Group meetings, to which residents can also attend. Again, these meetings are advertised and are an opportunity to raise concerns with police officers. Keep an eye on the Parish notice boards for the dates and venues of meetings.



# Edwinstowe High Street Christmas Event



Thursday 23rd November 2017

4.30-7pm

*Coffee and choir  
in the library*

*Tree festival at  
St Mary's Church*

*Crafts and games  
on the High Street*

*Craft stalls in Church  
Farm Courtyard*

*Craft stalls at  
Bargain Booze*



*"It's back again for the third year running...  
Hang a Bauble on  
The Village Christmas Tree  
at the top of The High Street"*

Organised by Edwinstowe Parish Council



# LIGHT UP A LIFE & CAROLS IN THE CASTLE



Our annual Light up a Life service takes place on Thursday 21st December from 6pm at Newark Castle and this year, will incorporate Carols in the Castle. It is free to attend and everyone is welcome.

Gates will open at 5pm, with the service beginning at 6pm and will include carols, readings and a time for reflection and remembrance. There will be festive refreshments available, along with an opportunity to donate to our appeal. This year, we would like to invite everyone who donates and attends the event to bring a photograph of their loved one(s) along with a message to hang and display on our memory wall of light during our service. Donating is really easy - you can text 'BHLL £25' or any amount of your choice to 70070, or you can donate on the night to dedicate a light. Christmas is a special time of the year, but for anyone who has lost a loved one it can be a time of mixed emotion. Our Light up a Life appeal will go towards funding our specialist end of life and palliative care.

Our annual Winter Ball will be taking place on Saturday 27th January 2018 at the Newark Showground; join us for an evening of great food, music and entertainment. Why not book a table with friends, family or colleagues? For further details please call 01636 610556, email [fundraising@beaumonthouse.co.uk](mailto:fundraising@beaumonthouse.co.uk) or visit [www.beaumonthouse.co.uk](http://www.beaumonthouse.co.uk)



## 1st Edwinstowe Guides

As a new leader at 1st Edwinstowe Guides, I want to bring a sense of fun and adventure to the unit. Before the summer holiday we went up to the playing field to play rounders. We also went to South Forest for our last meeting of the summer.

Starting back this September we've had three girls move up from Brownies and three older girls have made the decision to work towards the Baden Powell Award, the highest award a Guide can achieve. The unit have also been working on the 'Be the change' Go For It, learning how the government works and how women protested to win the right to vote. They have been awarded the badge to add to their collection.

We have a few things planned, one Guide is going on an international trip with lots of other opportunities available. We have the mega moot a big county camp happening in May, with lots more adventures to be had. If you know a girl aged 10-14 who is interested in becoming a member of Edwinstowe Guides then go to the Girl Guiding website/Get involved/Join Girl Guiding and follow the link. Likewise if you are a woman of any age, are enthusiastic about sharing your skills or time and interested in volunteering with Guides or any local unit again go to the Girl Guiding website/Get Involved/Become a volunteer/Register your interest and follow the link.

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# Woodhead Homes begins work on 67 brand new homes in Edwinstowe

Woodhead Homes, part of the Edwinstowe-based Woodhead Group, has started work on 67 brand new homes at its Rufford Pastures site in Edwinstowe.

This landmark project is the first time the company has built its own homes for sale in more than 20 years.

Woodhead representatives, including Managing Director, David Woodhead and Finance Director, Hilary Cheshire, joined Chairman of Newark and Sherwood District Council, Cllr Linda Tift, and the Thompson family for a bricklaying ceremony at the site on Rufford Road

The Woodhead family business has strong roots in Edwinstowe and is based at Edwinstowe House in the heart of the village.

Woodhead Homes is providing a mix of three, four and five bedroom family homes at Rufford Pastures, to meet the local need.

Work has now started on site and the first homes will be available from the end of Autumn 2017. Woodhead Homes has a sales centre located at Edwinstowe house where you can visit to see plans and reserve your plot.

Vicki Austin, Field Sales Manager for Woodhead Homes, said: "We are really excited to have started on site and the new homes will be a great addition to the village.

"When finished, Rufford Pastures will include green spaces at the heart of the development, and a children's play area. The green spaces have been designed to form a 'green loop' around the development, to encourage walking, jogging and recreation. There is also a focus on linking the development back to the existing village through fostering footpath links.

House types have been named Faber, Catkin, Shore, Cooper, Foxtail and Shortleaf, all of which are common names of Conifer - a nod to the site's Sherwood Forest location.



The Thompsons are the first family to place an 'early bird' reservation on one of the properties at Rufford Pastures. Marie and Antony Thompson joined representatives from Woodhead, Cllr Tift and Chair of the Edwinstowe Parish Council, Cllr Celia Brooks, to mark the ground breaking on the development.

Mr and Mrs Thompson currently live in Edwinstowe village and are thrilled to have secured one of the new five bedroom homes on the site. Marie said: "We were looking for a new build but really love Edwinstowe village so didn't want to move far. When we heard about this site, it seemed the ideal place for us and our family. We have chosen the five bedroomed Shortleaf design which will be ideal for us, our two daughters and my mother who will be moving here with us.

"We are really looking forward to watching our house being built and can't wait to see it completed. We will hopefully be in by this time next year, it is all very exciting."

*Notes to editors:*

- Artist's impressions of the individual house types are available on request

- Rufford Pastures is based on the corner of the B6034 (Rufford Road) and the B6030 at the edge of Edwinstowe village, currently identified by a Woodhead Homes sign

Linda Tift, Chair of Newark and Sherwood District Council said: "I was thrilled to be invited to the launch of this site. It's great for Edwinstowe to be getting these 67 beautiful brand new homes. The icing on the cake is that they are being built by a local family company, employing lots of local people and working with a number of smaller businesses in the area."

The site's show home is expected to be opening in early 2018. In the meantime the sales suite at Edwinstowe House (High Street, Edwinstowe, NG21 9QS) is open to help those looking to purchase a home 'off plan'. For more information, please visit the website: [woodhead-homes.co.uk](http://woodhead-homes.co.uk) or call Vicki Austin, Woodhead Homes Field Sales Manager on 01623 827695.

For further information please contact Clare Hitchings on 07792 716 345 or email: [clare@stagcommunications.com](mailto:clare@stagcommunications.com) .



# Edwinstowe Parish Council Community Survey

The Parish Council are keen to collect the views of Edwinstowe residents regarding future plans for the Village.

As you are aware, a considerable number of new building developments are likely to take place in our Village over the next ten or so years. All building developments over a certain number of houses are subject to 106 money being paid by the Developer. 106 money has to be spent for the benefit of the local community and includes allocations of money for things such as school places, local health services, libraries and roads.

Local councils are also likely to receive some of this money to provide or enhance local amenities for their community. Edwinstowe Parish Council has earmarked a sum of money already agreed for improving the Village Hall building, both internally and externally. Any projects must be costed and agreed with the District Council and the Developer. Sums allocated vary, of course, and are not received until a certain level of occupation of the houses built has taken place.

Edwinstowe Parish Council welcomes ideas from the Edwinstowe Community as to how the funds are allocated. If you feel that there is a lack of an amenity that you would value please let us know. You can contact us by phone, email or by returning the reply slip at the bottom of this article to the Clerk at the Village Hall.

Phone **01623 824243** or email **info@edwinstowe.co.uk**

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**Name**

**Suggestion**

**Contact Number or Address** (for replies if required)

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## Thoresby Colliery Cricket Club

Saturday 14th October was the evening for the cricket clubs presentation night at the Fourth Ave ground clubhouse.

The 1st XI finished a creditable third (1 point behind the runners-up) in the Bassetlaw Championship division. The clubs Australian player, Mitchell English topped the batting averages for the second year running. Break through player, 13 year old Rehan Ahmed took the bowling award. The rising star was invited earlier in the year to bowl against the England Test team in the Lords nets and was a clear winner in the teams Players Player.

The 2nds again maintained their Division 2 status and Ian Halfpenny was presented with the batting averages award. Chris Mitchell was presented with the bowling award with the Players Player presented to Ally Walker.

The 3rd XI ended the season in mid table of Division 6 and Kieran Walker took the honours in the batting averages. Phil Meadley topped the bowling averages and Kieran was voted the Players Player by his team mates.

The Sunday 1st XI finished the season as Champions of the Mansfield District Sunday League Premiership Division and the squad were presented with their winners trophies.

The midweek XI won the Newark District Evening League Cup and also finished runners-up in the League, the squad receiving awards for such a successful season.

Simon Pallant, 3rd XI captain was presented with this years Clubman award.

The Chairmans Performance award was keenly contested this year and the winner was Connor Davies.

The Junior section was well represented on the evening.

A new trophy, donated by ex player Paul Barber, was the Best Fielder Award and this was won by Danny Tyson.

The Kwik cricket squad were all presented with medals.

Special awards went to Billy (Batting), Aidan (Bowling) and Ethan (Managers award).

U11's Batting Ave went to Aidan. Bowling Ave to Daisie, Managers player was Beau.

U13's Batting Ave went to Jayden, Bowling Ave to Josh and Managers player was Cian.

U18's scoring their first 50 or taking their first 5 wickets in a senior game were awarded with vouchers. Recipients were Rehan Ahmed, Raheem Ahmed, Connor Davies, Keiran Walker and Jack Waring.

The "Special Duck" award went to Jack Dickens.

A special thankyou to Bassett and Ryder for sponsorship towards the Trophies awarded on the night.

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## Thoresby Miners' Memorial

We reported in previous issues about the Parish Council decision to set up a fund to create a memorial to those miners who died working at Thoresby Colliery. A working group has been set up consisting of Parish Councillors and ex miners and representatives of mining families. So far, about £5500 has been raised through donations. A location has been agreed. There is a garden at the side of the Village Hall on Mansfield Road which is owned by the Parish Council. The tree (which is diseased) and the shrubs will be removed to enable the memorial garden to be created, which will include the memorial, seating and a plaque telling the history of the colliery. The fencing and retaining wall will be refurbished.

The Chair of the working group, Councillor John Peck said, "We now have a site which we will clear shortly. We will be obtaining quotes for a suitable memorial in due course. We are extremely grateful for the generous donations we've received so far, but we do need to raise more money to create a memorial garden the village can be proud of. We will be applying for further grants, but individual donations from Edwinstowe residents or businesses would be very welcome." Cheques can be made out to "Edwinstowe Parish Council" and sent or dropped in to the Parish Council Office.

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# Mark Spencer MP

And now for something completely different...

I was delighted to read, in a fantastic report published by Mercian Archaeological Services, that an exciting new discovery has been made in Edwinstowe. In 633 AD, King Edwin of Northumbria was killed at the Battle of Hatfield – an assertion that was argued about even amongst the people that originally proposed it, and dismissed as ‘antiquarian hearsay’ by some archaeologists today. According to the new evidence, it now seems almost certain that the battle in fact took place at Edwinstowe. The report excitingly claims that; All this evidence combined makes it almost certain that Edwinstowe was the home to a medieval cult centred on St Edwin, whose former life as King Edwin of Northumbria came to an end near Edwinstowe in the year 633 AD.

Of course, Edwinstowe is already famous around the world as being home to Sherwood Forest and the Major Oak, the legendary hideout of Robin Hood. But I think it’s important that we should seize on this important addition to our proud local history as yet another reason to visit Edwinstowe.

As such I would keenly support any effort to ensure that this new discovery does not go unnoticed – and I’m open to suggestions as to how this might come about, of course. I’ll be speaking to Mercian about what’s the best way to go about this.



## Hospice Support Group

Our fund raising continues apace as we once more greatly benefited from over £2,000 raised at the annual Garden Party run by Tracey and Jason Wilson and Jean and Bryan Frettsome at their homes on Robin Hood Avenue. This year it was held on Sunday 30th July with members of the group helping alongside the many others who are involved in this well established and popular event. We are indebted to Tracey, Jason, Jean and Bryan for organising the event and for donating all the revenue to the Support Group and the care of cancer patients at The John Eastwood Hospice.

Our September Coffee Morning held on Saturday 16th proved popular and financially rewarding raising over £400. It was a pleasure to see our regular supporters turning out for us and not hesitating to spend on the variety of stalls and raffles. Once again a big thank you to all our helpers and supporters. Diary Dates: We hope to see you at the Christmas Lights on the High Street on Thursday 23rd November and also at our Christmas Coffee Morning on Saturday 25th November in the Village Hall.

## Thoresby Sporting Trust

The Trust, formed after the closure of the Colliery Welfare to maintain sports facilities on the Fourth Ave sports field, this year championed a project to install a defibrillator to serve the west side of the village.

With support from the British Heart Foundation, Edwinstowe Lions, Roy Bowring [South Forest] and Councillor John Peck the Trust purchased and installed a defibrillator at the Fourth Ave sports pavilion which is registered with the East Midlands Ambulance Service and is available in an emergency to the public 24 hours per day, days a week. As a follow up, the Trust are planning to hold training sessions on CPR and defibrillator use at the sports pavilion. Anyone who is interested in taking part should contact the Trust through Mr Trevor Haywood mob. No. 07794971586



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Now that the dust has settled after the OVO Energy Tour of Britain visited our district we would like to pass on our sincere thanks for your involvement. The district looked fantastic on television and we have received excellent feedback from the Tour of Britain Team as well as local residents and visitors.

Thank you for your hard work in planning for the big day, decorating our towns and villages, the extra mile to welcome the cyclists. We are sure that everyone who witnessed the event received a fantastic insight in to Nottinghamshire and your efforts are therefore appreciated and applauded.

If you would like to send any feedback from the day we would be very interested to hear from you. Nottinghamshire County Council will be making a decision on hosting the event again next year and we will gladly pass on your comments.

We hope to run the Newark and Sherwood festival of Cycling as a annual event and again we would be interested to hear if you would like to stay involved.

## The OVO Energy Tour of Britain

The Tour of Britain cycle race was a special and exciting day in September, when residents, school children and tourists gathered at various vantage points through the village to see the competitors ride through the Edwinstowe at high speed, accompanied by the entourage of back up vehicles, race marshalls, the media crews and a big presence of police motorcyclists.

It was a brief but exciting experience and the competitors were given a rousing cheer as they flew through Edwinstowe on the Sherwood Forest part of the route. Residents, traders and the Parish Council rose to the occasion, decorating the village with yellow bicycles, bunting and banners.

The man on the loud speaker in the lead vehicle called out to the crowd as they drove through, thanking the village for the welcome and said it was the best turn-out in any village they'd seen. Edwinstowe always rises to the occasion!



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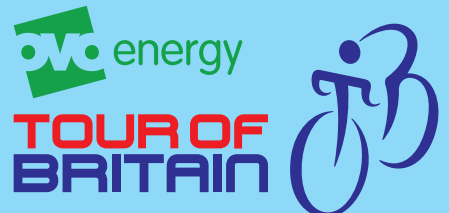
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Edwinstowe's County Councillor John Peck, backed by the Parish Council, has made it clear he doesn't think the proposed safety measures on Swinecote Road to manage traffic and visitors to the new Visitor Centre go far enough. He's written to the Highways Department to say that whilst he's happy that a zebra crossing has been installed and the 30mph is being moved further up Swinecote Road, more should be done. "I've made it clear that in my view, the 30mph limit should be extended further than is being proposed and also there should be a 20mph zone around the area of the zebra crossing. I've been saying all along, that whilst I think the new Visitor Centre will bring a boost to our village economy, managing the traffic flow and the safety of pedestrians crossing Swinecote Road has to be given a high priority. As it is, too many vehicles enter the village going well above the speed limit, so I hope the Highways Department do as I suggest. In addition, I've also made a bid for Church Street to be re-surfaced as soon as possible - it's in a poor state of repair."



Going, Going, Gone! The Village Bowls Club are unable to continue next season. The final games have been played and who will remember? Over 70 years of history finished, not with a BANG but with a whimper! Although we have tried to promote our game the people of Edwinstowe do not appear to be interested in this local outdoor pursuit. Our green is not fit for purpose and a considerable amount would be required to bring it up to standard. Money however is not the problem. We started with 14 bowlers and due to illness (some severe) we ended up with 8... Our 2 new members still work and due to their commitments were not able to play every game. In the past we had 2 fine greens, 2 well attended mens team and a full ladies team. No more to say... The demise of the "Manvers" and the subsequent loss of our bonus ball lottery is one factor, although it is the loss of the fit members that has brought about this very sad end to our club



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# PROPOSED THORESBY COLLIERY DEVELOPMENT GOES TO PLANNING

By the time you read this magazine, you will know the outcome of the planning application to Newark and Sherwood District Council by Harworth Estates, to develop the former Thoresby Colliery site. The application has been given the go ahead with outline planning permission. The Parish Council have had regular meetings with an officer from Harworth Estates to keep updated at every stage and to make the case on behalf of residents about issues such as Ollerton roundabout, the doctors' surgery capacity, school places etc. What we do know so far, is that subject to planning permission, it is expected that the first phase of housing will probably commence next summer.

The eventual intention is for 800 houses and 500 jobs and separately from the development, the restoration of the spoil heap to create a 350 acre country park, which is well underway. There will be an obligation on the developer to make a contribution of several million pounds towards the Ollerton roundabout project, a new school, community and health facilities. Parish and District Councillor, Paul Peacock said, "it's good that the developer has been meeting with the Parish Council regularly. He's been very open an honest and kept us well informed.

This is a planning decision for the District Council, not the Parish Council, but we've taken every opportunity to put the views of residents about the need to make provision for health, school places, Ollerton roundabout and so on. We're pleased that substantial sums of money will be put in to dealing with these matters."

# 1st EDWINSTOWE SCOUT GROUP

The Scouts and explorers had a summer camp at Brownsea Island in August. It was a very eventful camp and they included a trip to Stonehenge on the way home. A good and tiring long weekend was had by all.

Cub Scouts and have had a very busy year so far which included cub camp. They have a full programme of events planned so Cubs can gain lots of badges

Beavers have a very busy few weeks planned ending with Carol singing and giving out Christmas cards to the residents at Maythorn Grove.

We have had a few joint events this year including Games night at the fair ground and a trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park. We have several trips planned including I Jump, a sleep-over at The Deep and Mega Moot camp at Walesby camp site.

We would like to thank Edwinstowe Co-op for the snacks they provided for the scout group on our trip to the wild life park, very much appreciated.

Look out for Scout Post boxes and stamps in local shops in November. The scouts, cubs and beavers and parents deliver Christmas cards to the surrounding areas. Please see the leaflets with areas that we cover. We work in partnership with Ollerton, Warsop and Bilsthorpe scout groups. All proceeds go back into these scout groups for the young people.

Thank you to all the shops that sell stamps and collect the cards and we hope you can support us again this year. Scouter in Charge Sue Cocking 01623 823761.



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## Laying the foundations for Sherwood's future

The RSPB-led partnership responsible for delivering the new visitor centre at Sherwood Forest is delighted to say that work is now well under way on site.

Contractors moved on to the new Forest Corner location to start preparatory work at the end of August, and are now in the process of completing the ground works.

Consortium members, which includes the RSPB, in partnership with Nottinghamshire County Council, Sherwood Forest Trust, Thoresby, Continuum Attractions, and new associate partners, The Woodland Trust, gathered on site in early October to witness the laying of the foundations, and celebrate the official start of the main building phase.

Phase one of the project included building the new car park on Naish's field, across the road from the centre, and adding an access road to the cemetery, whilst phase three will see the removal of the current visitor centre, once the new one is open next Summer.

The new building will have some stunning views out across the forest from its relocated home, providing a modern gateway to an ancient landscape.

The partners were also joined by Robin Hood, who fired an arrow across the site, to mark the spot where children from neighbouring St Mary's Primary School will plant a new oak tree, once the new centre is complete.

The arrow-firing was a retelling of the old story, which claimed that Robin's dying act was to fire an arrow, declaring 'bury me where it lands'. Instead of burying a legend this time, pupils will have the opportunity to plant a new one as part of landscaping plans next year.

For more information, see the new website [www.visitsherwood.co.uk](http://www.visitsherwood.co.uk)

## Parish Council says "NO" to fracking in Edwinstowe

At the July Parish Council meeting, members unanimously agreed to a proposal moved by John Peck and seconded by Celia Brooks to oppose any moves to extract shale gas in the Edwinstowe or wider Sherwood Forest area by the controversial method known as "fracking." As reported in a previous issue of Edwinstowe Village News, the Government have issued licences to companies to explore for shale gas in large parts of the County, including a licence to a company called INEOS which covers the vicinity of Sherwood Forest and parts of Edwinstowe Parish. The first stage, would be to carry out seismic surveys, followed by test drilling. If commercial quantities of shale gas are found then we would expect to see a number of installations set up in the area to extract gas by fracking. Councillor Karen Peck supported the motion. She said, "What we would see is the area turned into a gas field. Sherwood Forest is world famous and Nottinghamshire's main tourist attraction, which is an important part of our local economy." Councillors also expressed fears about the environmental impact, effect of chemicals on our water supply and the increase in HGV traffic. Doubts were expressed about the likelihood of many jobs being created for local people. It was agreed to start a petition, asking residents to support and also to place a banner outside the Village Hall.

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# THE DUKERIES SINGERS

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But on a much more cheerful note, the Choir has gained several new singers who came to see if they liked us, decided that they did and are now part of our friendly group. We welcome all potential new members. There are no auditions and no necessity to read music, just try us out for two or three weeks to see if you enjoy our music making.

We rehearse every Wednesday evening from 7-30pm until 9-15pm in the Concert Hall at the Dukeries Academy in Ollerton. The venue is best accessed by the Leisure Centre entrance and car park.

You can find us on [www.thedukeriessingers.com](http://www.thedukeriessingers.com). We are also on YouTube, Facebook and Twitter.

*Our run up to Christmas engagements are;*

Thursday 23rd November 2017 - Carols at Christmas lights, Edwinstowe High Street. Time to be confirmed.

Saturday 25th November 2017 - Carols at Winterfest, Thoresby Courtyard, 1-30pm.

Sunday 3rd December 2017 - Christmas singing at Norwood Park "Christmas Experience", early afternoon, but this time needs to be confirmed.

Saturday 9th December 2017 - Singing at The Alders pub/restaurant, Ollerton, 6-00pm until 8-00pm

Saturday 16th December 2017 - The Edwinstowe Christmas Concert, Edwinstowe Village Hall, 7-00pm

Sunday 17th December 2017 - Carols at Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre, Edwinstowe, 2-30pm, time to be confirmed.

We hope to see you at one or more of our performances as we celebrate this very special time of year. We hope all your preparations run smoothly and harmoniously!



# EDWINSTOWE VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall is continuing to serve the Village but another one of the regular users of the hall, the Flower Club, had to close this year. This Club used the Hall regularly for many years. On finalising the accounts, the Club had a surplus of funds and has, very generously, donated this to the Hall. The Management Committee are extremely grateful for this donation and thank the Flower Club for thinking about us. The Flower Club members know the money will be put to very good use.

There is some confusion regarding the parking at the Hall. The park is a Public Car Park and not governed by the Management Committee. Therefore, it is available to all residents, visitors etc. The Village Hall Management Committee (which consists of 2 Parish Councillors, 6 Parishioners plus users of the Hall – these are all volunteers), look after the hall, not only the letting of the hall, but ensuring it is kept clean and in good order. The running costs are covered by the letting rents, but for other needs (i.e. new kettle, cooker, furniture etc.) we rely heavily on grants and money raised by the Committee at coffee mornings. The Committee is, therefore, holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday the 9th December 2017 and would be pleased if you would call.

The next meeting of the Hall is the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 28th November and all are welcome (the original date was for the 21st November but due to unforeseen circumstances this date is unavailable.) Perhaps you may wish to attend and represent your Society, Club or the Village.

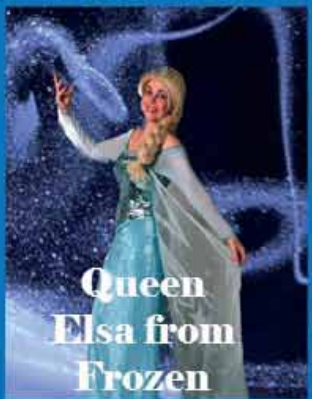
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What a fantastic and busy summer we have had! A big thank you to all who attended the Echium Garden open days in May. We raised a staggering £410 on our first open day for the National Garden Scheme, our contribution benefiting many worthwhile causes. Visitors from across the country attended and were amazed that we can grow towering Echium plants in Nottinghamshire.

Our exhibit 'Echium Eruption' staged at the first ever RHS Chatsworth Flower Show in June was a huge challenge (rain and mud didn't spoil the show!) but well worth all the effort and resulted in another RHS Silver medal to add to our collection! Thanks to the team at Robert Woodhead Ltd for sponsoring and constructing the exhibit and for the partnership working that turned the 'Echium Eruption' vision into a reality. Apprentices from the company currently working on the New Bolsover Model Village Heritage site in Derbyshire constructed the frame of the volcanic caldera during National Apprenticeship Week. The New Bolsover Village Heritage Craft Group also contributed by creating artwork for the display.



**Team Echium with Mary Berry, RHS Chatsworth Flower Show 2017**

It was amazing to work with Kerrie Merrygold, Pete Annable and the children from King Edwin Primary school once again who learnt more about Echium plants and their origin on the volcanic slopes on Mount Teide, Tenerife through the 'Very Volcano' art project. Their art work was fabulous and attracted many comments from the thousands of visitors who viewed the Echium World display.



**King Edwin 'Very Volcano' art group**

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# Giant Echiums, volcanoes, and the queen of cakes

## Edwinstowe Flower Arranging Society

I was a member of Edwinstowe Flower Club for about forty years and made many good friends there. Sadly the Club had to close but many of us still "fiddle around with flowers" in our homes using the skills taught us by our more experienced members, teachers and demonstrators who were endlessly generous with their time and commitment. My grateful thanks to them all.

As a compulsive seed sower, seedling potter-on, cuttings taker and dedicated propagator I found I had a surplus of plants so had to find homes for them all. For the last couple of decades I took them down to flower club where they were quickly bought by enthusiastic plant lovers. The money raised went to help another passion of mine...dogs.

Having had rescue dogs of our own I decided that The Jerry Green Rescue Centre for Dogs at Blidworth would

be the recipients and that they would make good use of the donations. Over these years I have been able to send hundreds and hundreds of pounds to the Centre and the staff there have always acknowledged the gifts with a letter.

As Flower Club is "no more," I would most sincerely like to thank all the friends and members who so generously bought all my offerings. They didn't linger long on the plants' table!

I also wish to thank friends who have joined me in crocheting blankets and knitting coats for the dogs. I can assure you they are much appreciated.

Thanks for some happy memories and best wishes for a floriferous future

Jan Towler

## Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark reveals home improvement nightmares

Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark is warning residents to be on the lookout for rogue builders as the national charity reveals it has helped people with 40,000 problems related to home improvements in the last year.

As people have work done on their homes, **Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark** is revealing the top three most common building problems people report:

1. **Complaints about the quality of the work carried out**
2. **Building work being unsafe or faulty**
3. **Disputes around the cost of the work**

People contacted Citizens Advice wanting to know how to resolve their home improvement problems and their rights around refunds and compensation.

**Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark** is offering top tips on how to avoid problems when hiring someone to carry out work, and your rights if things do go wrong

### What to do when hiring a trader:

**Get references or recommendations** - you can either get recommendations from people you know, or use a website that rates traders.

If you can't get a recommendation, you should ask the person you hire for examples of work they have carried out in the past.

**Find out if they are a member of a trade body** - Trade bodies have codes of practice and can help resolve problems if things go wrong.

**Get a written quote** - not an estimate, and be clear about what the quote covers. A quote is legally binding and the builder can't change it without a good reason.

An estimate is just a guess at how much the work will cost, and so it could change. You can compare quotes from a number of contractors to make sure you're getting a fair price.

**Get a written contract** - this should cover timing, payments, who will pay for materials and subcontractors, and what exactly is being done. If you can, you should pay in stages rather than upfront.

**Keep copies of receipts** - and your written contract as evidence, as well as photos of any problems which arise.



### What to do when things go wrong:

**Ask the builders to fix the work.** If the work is not up to scratch or is unfinished.

**Ask for some money back.** Suggest a figure and explain why it is reasonable - for example, you may have to pay to have the work fixed.

**Complain in writing.** To the trader or their company, and check to see if they are a member of a trade association to see if they can help

**Look for an approved alternative dispute resolution (ADR) scheme.** This is an independent third party who can help you to reach a resolution. The trader should provide you with the name of a certified scheme.

**Consider taking the builders to county court.** This is a last resort and you should be aware that you will need to pay fees.

**Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark** Advice Service manager said:

"If you've had a problem with building work, and you're not sure about your rights or what to do next, visit **Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark** or call the Citizens Advice consumer service on **03454 04 05 06**."

Anyone requiring advice or support can get help online at [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk) or from **Citizens Advice Sherwood & Newark** Open Door Advice Sessions held at:

**New Ollerton:** Forest Court, NG22 9PL – Monday & Wednesday: 9:30am – 2:30pm

**Newark:** Castle House, Great North Road, Newark, NG24 1BY - Tuesday & Thursday: 9:30am – 2:30pm

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2nd December - 2nd January 2018  
**Christmas Trail\*\*\***

3rd December  
**Brass Band**  
Hucknall & Linby MC Brass

9th December  
**Christmas Carols**  
Lace City Chorus

10th December  
**Christmas Carols**  
Mansfield Community Choir

18th November - 23rd December  
**Christmas Grotto**

(sat and sun only)

**£5.00**  
PER CHILD

9th & 10th December  
**Christmas Wreath Making**

**£5.00**  
PER PERSON

16th & 17th December  
**Santa's Punch and Judy Show**

25th & 26th November  
**Christmas Craft Market**

9th December  
**Breakfast with Santa\*\***  
in the Coach House Café  
8:30am - 10:15am

16th December  
**Breakfast with Santa\*\***  
in the Coach House Café  
8:30am - 10:15am

FROM  
**£10.00**  
PER PERSON



2nd December  
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\*\*online pre booking required  
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



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## December 2017

### **Sunday 24th December - Christmas Eve Walk. 11am – 12.30pm**

Escape the hustle and bustle of high street shopping and the last minute Christmas rush, Adults £3 children £1.50

### **Tuesday 26th December - Boxing Day walk. 11.30am – 1pm**

If your head's a bit fuzzy or you think you may have overdone the excesses of the festive period, this is your chance to breathe in some fresh air and get your legs working again!

Booking is recommended on 01623 823202 or simply turn up and pay on the day. Adults £3 children £1.50

## January 2018

### **Sunday 7th January - Family Conservation Fun - New Year Walk. 10.30am – 12.30pm**

Why not start 2017 with a winter wander through Sherwood Forest and learn more about its amazing trees and its fascinating history. £3.00 Adults, £1.50 Children

### **Sunday 14th January - Tree Felling Workshop - 10am – 3.30pm**

Ever wondered how to fell a tree safely? Ever wondered what to do when you've felled it? Well why not come along to our basic tree felling course, Due to the nature of this course no under 16's. Jacket potato for lunch included in the price. Upon booking, please ask for additional details not included here. £30 per person

### **Saturday 20th January - Winter Tree ID. 10.30am – 12noon**

Do you get oak mixed up with ash or wonder what the difference is between sweet chestnut and horse chestnut? Then come along on this walk to learn techniques of identification and the uses of different types of wood. Phone 01623 823202 to book a place. £3 Adults, £1.50 Children

## February 2018

### **Sunday 4th February - Family Conservation Fun - Community Woodland Day. 10.30am – 3pm**

Come along and get stuck in on our community woodland day, the rangers and wardens want your help in restoring an area of abandoned woodland, come tackle invasive and unwanted species and learn about why we're doing it and how it will benefit the site and nature. Free

### **Saturday 10th February - Stargazing and Lecture Evening. 6.45pm – 10.15pm**

"Gaze out into our glorious galaxy and beyond" with the Mansfield and Sutton Astronomical Society. You will get a chance to look through a number of telescopes at our beautiful night sky and behold the wonders of the universe.

There will also be an astronomy themed talk and a possibility of "listening to the sounds of space" through the portable radio astronomy equipment.

Please be aware that viewing is subject to weather conditions and the programme may be subject to change (but will still go ahead). There will be free factsheets to take away, and a free warm drink will be available. Places limited so pre-booking is essential on 01623 823202. Not suitable for younger children. £6 per pers

### **Saturday 17th February - Bird Feeders. 11am -12noon**

Come along for this one hour session; making a selection of bird feeders. Bring a bag to take your feeders home in! Phone 01623 823202 to book a place. £2.50 per person (each paying person will take away one of each feeders)

### **Tuesday 20th February - Bird Box Making. 11am – 2pm**

National Nest Box Week runs from 14th to 21st February so why not join the Sherwood Volunteers and Rangers on this bird box making session. All materials and tools will be provided. Phone 01623 823202 to book a Place.£5.00 per box (Subject to availability)

### **Saturday 24th February - Coppicing Workshop. 10.30am – 2pm**

Join Ranger Graeme Turner to learn the skill of coppicing and understand its history and importance in the woodland. To the sharpness of the tools used this course is open to responsible adults only. £25 per person

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## March 2018

### **Saturday 3rd March - Family Conservation Fun: Task Morning. 10 am – 12.30pm**

Looking for ways to get the kids away from the TV? This task will be tackling an area of the Country Park in need of a little extra TLC. All you need to bring is yourself, wear suitable clothing and footwear and don't forget some energy.

Spaces are limited so pre-booking is essential on 01623 823202 between 10am & 4pm. £2 per family

### **Sunday 4rd March - Tree Felling Workshop. 10am – 3.30pm**

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### **Saturday 10th March - Woodpecker Walk. 8am – 10am**

Join RSPB Conservation Officer for Nottinghamshire and Lowland Derbyshire Carl Cornish as you go in search of woodpeckers within Sherwood Forest NNR.

Pre-book your place by calling 01623 823202. £5 per person

### **Saturday 17th March - Spoon Carving Workshop. 10.30am – 4.00pm**

The ancient craft of 'spoon carving' has seen a resurgence in its popularity. Join Ranger Graeme Turner and learn the basics of spoon carving. Advice on selecting suitable wood will be given followed by a hands-on session using saws, axes and knives including how to maintain and sharpen tools. At the end of the day you will leave with at least one completed 'Sherwood Forest' spoon. Due to the sharpness of the tools used this course is open to responsible adults only. £30 per person

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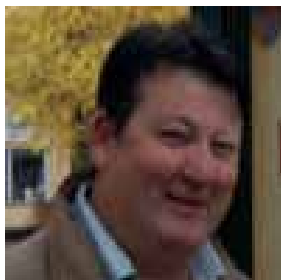
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# LOCAL SERVICES & GROUPS DIRECTORY

Local (01623) number applies unless otherwise stated

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD YOUR GROUP TO OUR DIRECTORY LIST**

## Helpful Numbers

Parish Council Office - **824243**  
 Newark & Sherwood District Council - **01636 650000**  
 Nottinghamshire County Council - **0300 5008080**  
 Citizens Advice Bureau - **0344 411 1444**  
 Major Oak Medical Practice - **822303**  
 Edwinstowe Library - **822280**  
 Sherwood Forest Trust - **821490**  
 Sherwood Forest Visitors Centre - **823202**  
 The Village Hall - **07594 460846**

## Local Groups

1st Edwinstowe Beaver Scouts - **823761**  
 2nd Edwinstowe Brownies - **824782**  
 Edwinstowe Historical Society - **822264**  
 Edwinstowe Hospice Support Group - **822070**  
 Edwinstowe Leisure Painters - **01777 870588**  
 Edwinstowe's Helping Hands - **07800 803728**  
 Major Oak Pop Choir - **07450 316756**  
 Dukeries Singers - **822070**  
 Abbey Road Art & Craft Group - **822534**  
 Royal British Legion - **824787**  
 Dukeries Tai Chi Society - **822827**  
 1st Edwinstowe Guides Group - **823165**  
 1st Edwinstowe Scouts Group - **07511 363328**  
 Lynds Close Luncheon Club - **07800 803728**  
 Sherwood Forest Probus Club - **822256**  
 Abbey Road Whist Drive - **822374**

## Schools

St Mary's Church Of England Primary School - **822518**  
 King Edwin Primary - **822111**  
 Dukeries Academy - **860545**

## Churches

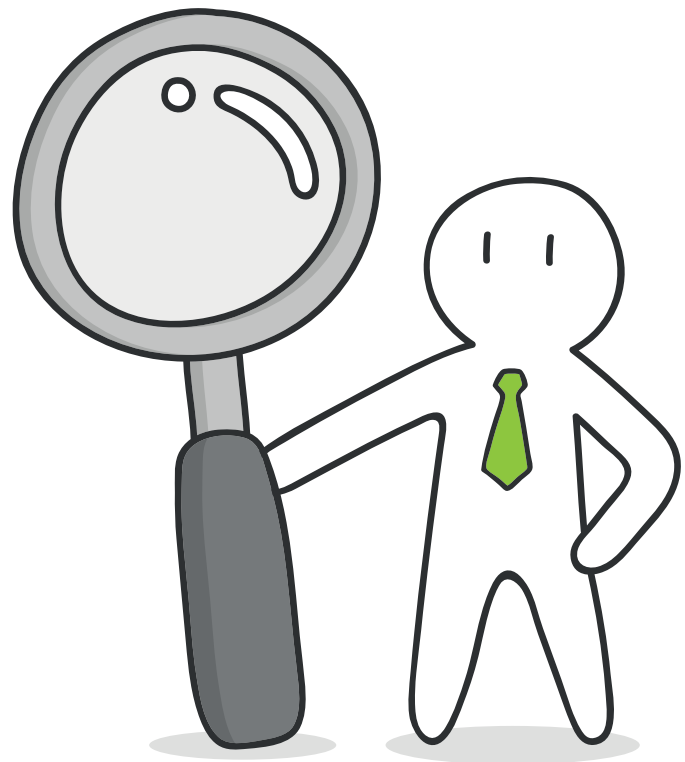
St Mary's Church Office - **822430**  
 St Mary's Church Rooms - **07840 435796**  
 Methodist Church - **623192**

## Nurseries

Bright Beginnings Day Nursery - **822440**

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