

**Thurlaston Parish Council** 

# Newsletter



Spring/Summer 2017

## DEFIBRILLATOR

Many of you will have seen that the Heartlink committee have successfully installed a defibrillator at the village hall.

We received £1000 from Blaby District Council £500 from the carnival committee, £400 from Poacher's Bistro, and further donations from the Thurlaston Players, Party in the Park and many other organisations and individuals.

There were magnificent fundraising efforts from village events including the Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations, Christmas tree lights and Santa's sleigh with carol singing. We were able to install the defibrillator, provide training and servicing for three years.

The council thank the committee for their efforts and especially the villagers whose support and community spirit meant that the facility was installed in very quick time.





## **THURLASTON HARVEST EVENT 2017**

Thurlaston Harvest Weekend and Scarecrow Competition Friday September 14th to Sunday 16th September.

Thurlaston Parish Council are once again coordinating a community Harvest Weekend and Scarecrow competition. The Scarecrow competition this year will have an open theme and begin on Friday 14th September with the assembling of displays. Judging will take place on Saturday 15th September and prizes will be awarded. Maps will be provided and can be linked to a Treasure Hunt competition around the village for those wishing to take part.

The Village Show will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 15th September (10.30am to 5pm, competition entries between 9am and 9.30am), where there will be a children's entertainment area with crafts and face painting. The Village Show will invite entries for a Lemon Drizzle Cake, A Jaffa Cake Model, a Jar of homemade Jam and Chutney, a Loaf of Bread, Autumn Artwork any media (to include photographs) for under and over 12 years of age and a Vegetable Sculpture. There are plans to provide a raffle, tombola, competitions and quizzes, refreshments, cider tasting and entertainment by the Croft Silver Band.

The Mobile Skate Park will be on the Recreation Ground between 1pm and 4pm.

All Saints Church will be open for the duration of the weekend and will showcase a traditional Harvest Festival.

Members of the community are encouraged to join in by providing baskets of flowers or food to decorate the Church.

A short workshop will take place during the week to help those wanting to arrange a basket of flowers. Baskets are available and awaiting decoration! Any food will be taken to a local food bank after the weekend.

Some of the Village Records will be on display in the Church as well as its own scarecrows and plans for the new toilet project. Any donations will be given to this project.

On Sunday there will be a combined Harvest Church and Chapel Service at All Saints Church followed by lunch at the Village Hall and an evening service in the Church.

Any enquiries to Maggie Wright - (call or email wrightmaggie@live.co.uk or 01455 888306)

# THURLASTON HARVEST EVENT 2017 (cont...)

Volunteers for the day are welcome. Donations are sought for raffle and tombola prizes, homemade cakes for refreshments and for flowers/food parcels at the church.

This is a community weekend and is not for profit. All funds are reinvested for future events. A full programme of events will be delivered to each household in the village nearer the time to register interest in competitions.

PLEASE JOIN IN TO MAKE THE WEEKEND A SUCCESS FOR THE COMMUNITY

# PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL AWARDS 2016

The Parish Council Annual Awards, were held prior to the Full Council meeting on 7th December and saw the award of **Thurlaston Honorary Citizen** presented to Eric Slack. He has given many years of service and support to the village in many different positions not least as Parish chairman.

Congratulations to Eric and also to Irene Slack who was awarded and presented with Maundy Money by the Queen at a recent Easter service at Leicester Cathedral.

The council also awarded **Letters of Commendation** to acknowledge various works undertaken by the recipients that have been beneficial to specific areas or groups or events for the Parish to:

Rachel Allsopp Philippa England Jeannie King Jenny Scroby Janine Tibbles Martin Tibbles

## **THURLASTON PARISH COUNCIL**

#### Precept 2017-2018

The Thurlaston parish section of the council tax rose to  $\pounds$ 12,500 over tax base of 283.17, which equates to an additional cost of  $\pounds$ 1.36 per annum for a Band D property.

We face increase charges for services we have to buy in (like grass cutting, dog bin emptying etc) and unlike previous years we have been unable to absorb them.

#### Forthcoming Full Parish Council meetings are:

29 June 2017 17 August 2017 21 September 2017 2 November 2017

All Parish Council meetings commence at 7.00pm on a Thursday in the Village Hall with all members of the Parish welcome.

#### Contact Us

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## Parish Council Members:

Chair:	
Trevor England	<b>2</b> 01455 888556
Vice Chair:	
Paul Holyman	<b>2</b> 01455 888489
Parish Councillors:	
Maggie Wright	<b>2</b> 01455 888306
Esther Harrison	<b>2</b> 01455 888438
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To contact the Clerk the details are:

Clerk to the Council: Elaine Foxon 229990 16 Cambridge Drive Desford Leics LE9 9JB e-mail: clerk@thurlastonparish.org.uk

# And FINALLY.....

## **ELECTED COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

Following the County Council elections held 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017 the elected County Councillors for Glenfields, Kirby Muxloe and Leicester Forests are:

Mr Lee Breckon **Phone:** 0116 4299686 Email: Lee.Breckon@leics.gov.uk

Mr Richard Blunt **Phone:** 01827 373111 **Email:** richard.blunt@leics.gov.uk

# **RECREATION GROUND**

On the recreation ground a new seat has been installed near the Earl Shilton entrance, which replaces the seat provided by the carnival committee that stood in front of the Normanton Grove bungalows.

The swing seats and chains have reached the end of their safe lives and have been replaced, the cost of which prompted yet another "how much?" moment from the council.