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DISEWORTH DIARY

JUNE

- Monday 2nd Discussion Group. Venue 9 The Woodcroft. 2pm. "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?"
- Saturday 7th Charnwood Community Theatre. 7.30pm Village Hall.
- Monday 9th Women's Group. A visit to Thrumpton Hall.
- Saturday 14th Farmers' Market. 9am – 12.30pm. St Edward's Primary School. Castle Donington.
- Sat/Sun 14th/15th Scarecrow Festival & Open Gardens.
- Tuesday 17th Bookworms Discuss new book "If nobody speaks of remarkable things" by Jon McGregor. 10 Lady Gate. 2pm.
- Thursday 26th Dialogue Collating 7.30pm. Village Hall Committee Room followed by Dialogue AGM 8pm. All welcome.

JULY

- Saturday 5th Long Whatton Cricket Club JAZZ NIGHT.
- Monday 7th Discussion Group. Venue 10 Lady Gate. 2pm. "Fantasy Job".
- Saturday 12th Farmers' Market. 9am – 12.30pm. St Edward's Primary School. Castle Donington.
- Tuesday 15th Bookworms. DVD "The Last Emperor". 10 Lady Gate. 2pm.

AUGUST

- Saturday 16th Long Whatton Cricket Club. CARIBBEAN NIGHT.

SEPTEMBER

- Saturday 13th Diseworth Open Flower Show
- Sat/Sun 20th/21st Kegworth Vintage Tractor Club Working Weekend. Woodhouse Farm, Diseworth
- Saturday 28th Long Whatton Cricket Club. BARN DANCE.



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Welcome to the June issue of the Diseworth Dialogue

I can't believe we're almost halfway through the year! Those who believe a glass is half empty will no doubt be saying "It'll soon be the longest day, and then the evenings will start drawing in"! Others will be saying "Summer has arrived YIPPEE."

One year we made the mistake of going away for two weeks in June. Never again! We came back to a garden so overgrown, it looked like we'd been away for 6 months. At this time of year you can almost hear the grass grow. Watching the wildlife in the garden is very rewarding. At the moment we have a very cheeky wood pigeon, who is too fat to sit on our bird table. So he sits on the roof and waits for me to give him his breakfast. There's a grumpy robin who always shoos other birds away and of course the resident squirrel, Cyril, whose acrobatics never cease to amaze me.

While we at Number 3 just battle to keep the weeds down, many in the village will be spending every minute they have lovingly preparing their garden for the Open Gardens weekend. Good luck to you all and if last year is anything to go by there will be lots of fantastic scarecrows too. Let's hope the weather is better than last year though.

June is always a busy month in Diseworth and there are two AGMs which I would like to mention. Firstly, the village hall have their AGM on the 11th and if you read Dave Adcock's article on page 23 you will see that it's a very important meeting. The hall benefits the whole village; take the highly successful Retired Residents' Spring Lunch for example, but it needs our support if it is to continue to serve the community. The other AGM is that of the Dialogue which will take place on Thursday 26th of June. Both these meetings are very much open to the public and speaking on behalf of the Dialogue it would be lovely to see as many people as possible at the meeting.

The Parish Council had their AGM in May and as they have had a very busy year there is a lot to report (see page 26). Included in the report is the mention of the Community Speedwatch which I believe was a huge success. Well done to all who volunteered- you looked very fetching in the day-glow jackets!

Finally, after receiving many comments about the cover of last month's issue I would like to take this opportunity to thank Steve for the fantastic illustration of the Morris dancers.

I hope everyone has a wonderful June, and I look forward to seeing you at the AGM. Don't forget to fill in the enclosed questionnaire about affordable rural housing. Everyone's opinion matters.

St Michael and All Angels Parish Church



photograph Julia Sillitoe

Dear Friends,

15 weeks to go!

15 weeks until Gill arrives to join in the ministry in this Benefice.

15 weeks to rest on our laurels?

15 weeks to prepare for her arrival!

Let's do it with vigour and integrity.

Pentecost shows the way here. Read Acts 2:14ff. When the Spirit begins to work, everything gets turned upside down (and inside out). All our prejudices and stereotypes are pushed to the side. Radical equality displaces the hierarchies which strangle the church. Hierarchies where we either feel we are at the top or bottom. When the Spirit begins to work, suddenly everybody becomes important. Every child has a place. Each person's gift finds expression in God's great realm. God affirms each person, each gift, and each call upon the name of the Lord.

The prophecy of Joel in the Old Testament came true on the Day of Pentecost. It advocates radical equality with regard to gender, age and ability in the community of faith. It challenges attitudes and actions that restrict women and reorientates our thinking about the place of the elderly and the youthful in the family of God. Dreams and visions displace despondency and hopelessness as the Spirit breathes new life into every creature.

How does this apply to our time of waiting and preparation? Churches are often places of strict hierarchies. Communication can be poor. Jobs are concentrated in the hands of a few. Let the Spirit breath through our structures in the next 15 weeks. Think what remoulding might be necessary? Be prepared for the Spirit to turn things upside down. Or inside out?

Do we need to think about the Spirit correcting our prejudices and imbalances? How can both genders, the youthful and the elderly, be incorporated into our common life? Who are the dreamers and visionaries in our context?

In 1999 renewal came to Lithuania. One grandmother would lovingly ask each child: "And what is the gift that you want to share with the people of God?"

You see every person here is important."

15 weeks to go!

Before Gill arrives we need to be addressing these issues. But more importantly, we need to be asking each other "What is the gift God has given you to share with the people of God" because we are building a church where every single person counts.

Alison Prince

PRAYER Attentive God, help me to know and feel how deeply you love me and to discover the unique gift you have planted in me to share with your world. Amen

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Please note that Alison takes Friday as her day off.

Other Benefice Services, Meetings and Social Events in June 2008

June 1 st	Sunday	Hathern Church Music Café 6.00pm-8pm
June 3 rd	Tuesday	Kegworth House Group 7.30pm
June 4 th	Wednesday	Hathern House Group 7.30pm
June 7th	Saturday	Children's Scarecrow Workshop, Diseworth 10am Hathern Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
June 10th	Tuesday	Diseworth PCC in church 7.30pm Belton House Group 7.30pm
June 11 th	Wednesday	Deanery Synod, Emmanuel, Loughborough
June 14 th	Saturday	Kegworth Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
June 14th/15th	Sat/Sun	Diseworth Scarecrow Festival & Open Gardens 11am-5pm
June 17 th	Tuesday	Kegworth House Group 7.30pm
June 21 st	Saturday	Long Whatton Friendship Centre Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
June 23 rd	Monday	Benefice Bible Study, Hathern 7.30pm
June 25th	Wednesday	Benefice Praise Evening, Diseworth 7.30pm
June 28th	Saturday	Diseworth Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
June 28 th /29 th	Sat/Sun	Osgathorpe Open Gardens 1pm-5pm

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Services & Locations for June 2008

	Time	Service	Location
June 1 st	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Hathern & Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Diseworth , Belton,
		Family Service	Hathern & Kegworth
		All Age Worship	Long Whatton C. Centre
		CW Morning Prayer	Osgathorpe
	4.00pm	Messy Church	Long Whatton
	6.15pm	BCP Evensong	Belton & Kegworth
June 5 th	9.00am	School Assembly	Diseworth
June 8 th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Kegworth & Belton
	9.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Osgathorpe
	10.30am	Family Service	Diseworth
		CW Holy Communion	L.Whatton, Hathern & Kegworth
	6.15pm	United Prayer & Peace	Hathern
June 15 th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Kegworth
	9.00am	CW Holy Communion	Osgathorpe
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Belton & Long Whatton
		Family Service	Kegworth
	4.00pm	Messy Church	Osgathorpe
	6.15pm	BCP Holy Communion	Hathern
		BCP Evensong	Belton & Kegworth
	6.30pm	Songs of Praise	Diseworth
June 22 nd	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Diseworth & Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Hathern & Kegworth
		Pet Service	Osgathorpe
	6.15pm	BCP Evensong	Hathern, Belton & Kegworth
June 25 th	7.30pm	Benefice Praise Evening	Diseworth
June 29 th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	L. Whatton & Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Hathern & Kegworth
	6.15pm	BCP Holy Communion	Diseworth
		BCP Evensong	Belton, Kegworth & Osgathorpe

Week Day Services

Tuesday	12.30pm	CW Holy Communion	Belton
Wednesday	9.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Kegworth

Bell Ringing at Diseworth Mondays 8pm

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Lessons and Readers for June 2008

	Time	Reader	Sidesman
June 1 st Trinity 2	First Reading: 10.30am Deuteronomy 11.18-21,26-28 Second Reading: Romans 1.16-17; 3.22b-28 Gospel: Matthew 7.21-29	D Cherry R Harris M Howe	G Stone
June 8 th Trinity 3	First Reading: Hosea 5.15-6.6 Second Reading: Romans 4.13-25 Gospel: Matthew 9.9-13,18-26		
June 15 th Trinity 4	First Reading: Exodus 19.2-8a Second Reading: Romans 5.1-8 Gospel: Matthew 9.35-10.8		
June 22 nd Trinity 5	First Reading: 8.00am Isaiah 40.1-11 Second Reading: Galatians 3.23-29 Gospel: Luke 1.57-66,80	S Bird D Griffin	T Griffin
June 29 th Trinity 6	First Reading: 6.15pm Zechariah 4.1-6a, 10b-14 Second Reading: Acts 12.1-11 Gospel: Matthew 16.13-19	M Gidlow R Edwards	F Hill

If you are unable to read on the date shown please arrange for someone else to do so.



Flowers and Church Brasses

	Flowers	Brasses
June 1 st /8 th	Mrs R Harris	Mrs R Harris
June 15 th /22 nd		
Festival Weekend	Mrs R Smith	Mrs S Moores
June 29 th /July 6 th	Mrs A Brookes	Mrs D Blenkinsopp

News from the Pews

Spring Fayre

Thank you to everyone who supported this event in April. A total of £218 was raised, from which £100 has been donated to The True Vine Trust for Tanzania to help towards school improvements.

The PCC will meet in church at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 10th June.

Notes from the Belton Rectory June 2008

Gill's Licensing 14th September 6.30pm at Kegworth Church

Rev Gill Turner-Callis will be inducted as team rector to the Benefice on

Sunday 14th September at 6.30pm

in Kegworth Church.

Please put the date in your diary and encourage everyone on the electoral roll to come so that we can fill Kegworth Church.

Northern Lights Weekend Away, 25th - 27th July

Members from all ten churches are going away to Swanwick for the weekend. The weekend will include fun, time to relax, meeting new friends and deepening fellowship across the new Mission Partnership. This will be a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other in a variety of ways, so that we will be better equipped to work together in our area and serve our villages. If you have not already booked, please contact Alison on 01530 223447 asap.

Benefice Praise Evening at Diseworth Wednesday 25th June at 7.30pm

Need a pick-me-up mid week? Do you steer clear of modern music? Does the word Praise conjure up outlandish worship? If you can answer "yes" to any or all of these questions then the Praise Evening is for you. It aims to re-focus on God mid-week via hymns traditional and modern, a short talk and a time of prayer. The evening is rounded off with informal chat over refreshments. An inspiration to all!

Local Events

All six churches mount special events during June, July and August. If you are looking for somewhere local to go, you couldn't do better than to support the following:-

Sat 14th June, Summer Fayre Belton at the Old Post Office Garden 2.30pm

Sat 14th & Sun 15th June, Diseworth Church Scarecrow Festival 11-5pm

Sat 28th & Sunday 29th June, Osgathorpe Church Open Gardens 1pm-5pm

Sat 5th & Sun 6th July, Hathern Village Open Gardens Time tba

Prayer, Peace & Healing, Sunday 8th June at 6.15pm in Hathern Church

This Benefice service is a unique opportunity to enjoy an hour of peace and tranquillity before the busy week. If you have never been to one of these services come along and benefit from time set aside with and for God



SCARECROW FESTIVAL AND OPEN GARDENS

**Saturday, 14th and Sunday, 15th June
11am – 5pm**

**Admission tickets £2 per adult
available from church
Refreshments including lunches
each day in church**

Morning coffee and afternoon teas at 47 The Woodcroft

**Sunday, 15th June
SONGS OF PRAISE
6.30pm**

***WE HOPE EVERYONE WILL JOIN IN YET AGAIN TO
PRODUCE SOME FABULOUS SCARECROWS AND MAKE THIS
EVENT AS GOOD AS LAST YEAR!***

**Saturday, 7th June
Scarecrow Making Workshop**
All children are invited to come along to church between
10am and 12noon to make their scarecrow.
Bring some old clothes and your wooden cross from last year's
scarecrow if you still have it!

**If you are able to open your garden for this event
please contact David Bird on 01332-810381 or any
member of the PCC before 3rd June**

*Contributions welcome to tombola (Rosie Smith 812600) and
home-made cakes (Nancy Cowley 810880)*

Catholic Church of the Risen Lord.

Hillside, Castle Donington

Mass every Sunday 9am



Kegworth Methodist Church

High St. Kegworth



Sunday Services

Morning Worship - 10.30am

Praise Worship – 6.15pm (First Sunday each month)

Minister – Rev. Manville Wiles. Tel. No. 01509 672479



Kegworth Baptist Church

High St. Kegworth



Sunday Services

Morning Worship & Sunday School – 10.30am

Evening Worship – 6.15pm (2nd Sunday each month)

Lead Deacon: Paul Phillips 01509-551464

DISEWORTH SCHOOL

Summer Fete

Saturday 28th June



2 pm



at

DISEWORTH SCHOOL

RAFFLE

TOMBOLA

STALLS

REFRESHMENTS

FANCY DRESS

Raffle prizes include:

1st Prize £100 cash (donated by EMA)

Tickets to watch Leicestershire CCC

Tickets for Formula 3 at Donington Park

Sunday Feast for 4 at Thistle Hotel

Afternoon Tea for 2 at The Priest House Hotel

Plus many others

COUNTRY MATTERS



***by Liz
Jarrom***

THE UNCERTAINTY OF BLUETONGUE

Sporadic outbreaks of bluetongue have occurred over the winter but now warmer weather has arrived it is likely that there will be more frequent outbreaks. Bluetongue is a virus which affects cattle and sheep and other ruminants, which causes many symptoms including swelling of the mouth, head, neck, and lower limbs. Animals often drool and become lame and tired. Symptoms are usually worse in sheep than cattle; in fact cattle can be treated with drugs and recover.

The disease is not dangerous to humans and is not spread between animals. Animals become infected when they are bitten by midges that are carrying the virus. At the moment most cases have



occurred in the south and east side of the country. Zones have been in operation since the outbreaks began in an attempt to control the spread.

Now a vaccine has become available to farmers in the protection zone which covers most of country now, which should help. Leicestershire should have the vaccine available from June. The animals have to have 2 doses of the drug 3 weeks apart and then they will be protected for a year.

Despite this apparent good news, we have an extra problem as the surveillance zone line is creeping closer to Melton Mowbray from the east. If it moves between us and Melton we will have difficulty in trading there as we would be in a clean area and Melton would be in an unclean area. At the moment we are not thinking about that too much and just hoping that as more and more parts of the country have the option to vaccinate the threat of the disease will diminish.

Mobile Library

Our popular Mobile Library calls in Diseworth on Friday every fortnight.

It parks on The Bowley between 11.55 am and 12.15pm and in Clements Gate for one hour between 12.20pm and 1.20pm.

Very helpful librarian Derek Norton is always willing to help with book titles and makes every effort to acquire specific books.



Librarian Derek Norton assisting Chris Gidlow.



Derek and customers, Lesley, Elaine and Margaret in the mobile library

The mobile library is a 'mini library' with all types of books which are changed regularly. It has a very friendly atmosphere and always worth a visit.

The dates for the mobile library are 13th and 27th June

The contact number for the mobile library is 01530 835951.

I'm in trouble and I mean **big** trouble

I'm the fox that lives around Fox Cottage on Hallgate . The owners aren't happy with me because they say that I pee up their front door steps, you know the 3 steps where my mate Midge the cat sits when the kids come home from school, but I don't, I honestly don't. It's not me, honest.

I might be a bit of a rogue and do the chasing of chicken thing and nicking cats if I have a chance, 'cos that's what foxes do, but pee up step, no.

Whoever it is, get me off the hook and stop it, please. I'm a fox but I'm not always the villain.

Many Thanks *Cyril.*



Should we open our garden?

Last July, after frantic phone calls and journeys up to our solicitor in Sheffield to get contracts completed (our poor solicitor was flooded in the middle of proceedings and couldn't get to his office!) we finally moved in. This was our dream cottage, in the beautiful village of Diseworth.

We had loved it from the start but the size of the garden had been a real debating point. Would we have time to tend to all its needs? Well now we had it and the work began. When neighbours heard that we had moved in there would always be the comment "oh! That house has such a beautiful garden." I could see that it must have been stunning but after six months of neglect, brambles and bind weed were invading every flower bed, and the beds were HUGE!



First thing was to reduce the beds and make them more manageable, and to fence across the end of the second garden to stop the dog escaping. To my horror and embarrassment she had escaped on one of many occasions and joined a wake at The Plough. I collected her as she was finishing off a pork pie.

One of the many beautiful gardens open in 2007

Clearing and turfing was done by a garden landscaper who also added a couple of feature ideas for a fountain and huge urn we had brought with us. They looked great. Now we were ready to tackle the acre of shoulder high grass.

Three weekends later, with the help of our three sons and a friend, we had flailed, strimmed and macheted the grass short enough to mow with Pete's pride and joy, his new ride on mower. There were moments when I was raking up the grass into huge heaps, with all the family working in the field around me, that it felt like we had gone back in time to hay making by hand, it was great.

Next, a pond. A lovely pool has been created gently reflecting the tall stand of poplars along the brook. At the back of the pond on the bare red clay, top soil has been added and lots of meadow seed. This is beginning to grow, and seems to be all one kind of wild flower. I have no idea what it is and whether different ones will appear later but we will wait and see.

Meanwhile with the help of Gail, my gardener, who comes every Friday with her mad little dog Gizmo (who digs numerous holes in the grass with my dog Gadget!), we have been tackling the flower beds. It's like chasing your tail. We haven't got through weeding and cutting back all the old vegetation, when a bit further along new weeds are taking advantage of the open spaces. And horrors, a great swathe of ground elder appears.

There were also three huge vegetable plots scattered around the garden. One we have sown as a wild flower garden, one is pending and the main one has been horrendous. This was planted with Jerusalem Artichokes. We dug them up by the bucket load. Friends were given bags of them along with recipes and boy did they live up to their nick name "fartichokes"! I have now divided the plot up and put in a variety of vegetables, but it's going to be a fight for survival because the dreaded artichokes are making a comeback.

Well that's where we are at the moment. Will there be any flowers to see by the end of June? Will the weeds be conquered? I very much doubt it. Would anyone like to see our battle to bring this garden at least a little bit under control?

Nicky Miller

Diseworth Retired Residents Spring Lunch



All had a very enjoyable time when our senior citizens sat down to their annual Spring Lunch in glorious weather. They were welcomed by Norma Chapman and Olga Stanton with a glass of wine or soft drink.

The Village Hall was a cool retreat from the hot weather. David Cherry said grace and Norma, Olga and Pat Guy proceeded to serve the lamb as it was carved by Martin and the vegetables as set out by Sue Brompton and Ruth Smith.

Roast potatoes and a selection of vegetables accompanied the lunch of roast lamb with mint sauce. Fruit crumbles and cream followed this. For those still hungry, biscuits and cheese was also on the menu and tea and coffee completed the event.

As before the food was prepared and cooked by kind residents. Ruth Smith undertook the major task of peeling and cooking potatoes and carrots. Roast potatoes are always popular and Ruth produced a huge trayful, all of which were much appreciated. Accompanying the potatoes and carrots was cabbage and peas and lamb gravy.



Volunteers also made the popular pudding of fruit crumbles; these were Sue Brompton, Sue Bird, Linda Gaymer, Denise Blenkinsopp, Pat Guy and Julie Werb. Local rhubarb and apples were used. Cheese and biscuits, tea and coffee completed the meal. A very nice part of the lunch is that our guests stay and chat and catch up on news. On behalf of all the guests Muriel Howe thanked those who had prepared the meal, served it, and cleared up afterwards. Guests stayed to chat and talk to the helpers. As they left the senior citizens were offered a packet of biscuits each to take home.

Many thanks to all who prepared food, served it and tackled the washing up afterwards. All retired residents are very welcome to attend these lunches, we look forward quite a few months to the Christmas event.

Nikki Hening

Tales of 50 Hall Gate, 8 years on! Moving House!



Let's be honest, moving house really has its stresses, but in 1999 we decided it was time to make that move to the dream we had always had of living in the countryside. To be frank, had we known everything about our house, would we still have gone ahead?

So most of us have to go through the pains of surveys, solicitors, packing the boxes, arranging the removal, sorting out the bills, evicting the bees and so on..... Hang on did somebody say bees? Are they usually on your moving list?

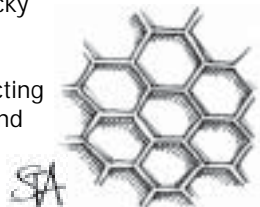
To explain, we were moving into our dream chocolate box cottage in the country, which appeared to be happily occupied by a very busy and active bee colony. Perhaps some of you can remember the bees on your way to the Post Office? Before we bought the house of course, we had seen the odd bee around, but it just seemed a charming country touch! As you can imagine we had more pressing priorities. For those who don't know our house - priorities like how to survive our first winter with no heating, no electrics and a collapsed staircase!

It was November, we had two weeks to go, no amenities to boast of and were really looking forward to our move, when – “was that a bee I just saw? I know I'll close the window, oops that's no better! I think I just saw one fly up from under the floor in that corner. Ooh that's a loud buzzing noise.”

It was us or the bees they had to go. The environmental officer could not save them, it was a sad day. We waved goodbye to the officer and just as she waved back she said “Enjoy the honey - you'll have a good 80lbs in there!”

So, to be clear, with two weeks to go, we had successfully evicted/murdered the bees. Next, we still needed to make all the usual arrangements to move in - solicitors, removal men, boxes to pack and not forgetting 80lbs of honey to extract from under the floorboards. If not, we would have further evictions to deal with (ants, bears, honey monsters?) - and a very, very, sticky mess! Oooh, our country idyll, I couldn't wait!

I couldn't wait to lie on my back, scraping away and extracting 80lbs of honeycomb, securely implanted between ceiling and floorboards, with just a bread knife!



After two days of lying on my back (it was the weekend Phil put his back out, which was handy – for him) we had eight bin bags full of honey on the kitchen floor of the house we were about to move out of. “Aren’t I supposed to be filling boxes and cleaning my kitchen for the new owners? Now then, where did I put those lovely spare jam jars?”



Eight years later – now, what can we give Auntie for Christmas? A jar of Diseworth honey, perhaps.

Zoe Millington

Diseworth Millennium Meadow

The Millennium Meadow is available for use by all inhabitants of Diseworth and Long Whatton at any time. It is the perfect place for a quiet stroll, and dogs are welcome provided they are under control and not allowed to foul the site. The small gate is always open. Please ensure the catch is secured when you leave.

Millennium Meadow AGM 2008

The AGM of the Diseworth and Long Whatton Millennium Meadow was held in the small committee room at Diseworth Village Hall on the evening of Wednesday, May 14th. 2008, at 8.00pm.

A report was given detailing the activities at the Meadow and the progress made in plantings during the past year. The original trees are now growing really tall and the wild flowers such as primroses and cowslips are seeding themselves freely all over the site and make a really spectacular sight when in flower. The more recently planted shrubs are also settling in nicely. We still have many of these available for sponsorship to commemorate special people or occasions.

The existing Committee was re-elected unopposed, but we still have a number of vacancies which we should love to see filled. We should especially welcome volunteers from Long Whatton. Also, we still have no Secretary and would be particularly grateful to anyone who would be prepared to volunteer for that post. The duties are really not that onerous.

Open Weekend

Although the Meadow is always open, the weekend of the Scarecrow Festival and Open Gardens – June 14th and 15th, will be an official Open Weekend, and we hope that the weather will be kind and that as many people as possible will be able to visit the site.

Pat Guy

HEALTH PAGE

ELDERFLOWER CORDIAL

This month all our hedgerows, country lanes and any patches of scrubland will be festooned with the distinctive lacy blooms of the elder tree. Breathtakingly fragrant, yet foul smelling with poisonous properties to some creatures, this tree is steeped in folklore.



The cordial made from the frothy white heads is rich in Vitamin C and the renowned botanist and herbalist Maude Grieve wrote in her book, *A Modern Herbal*, that an elderflower infusion was an excellent remedy for colds and sore throats. In fact the tree has long been referred to as nature's medicine chest. Country people have long used the crushed up leaves around young plants to deter aphids and caterpillars. For anyone wishing to grow vegetables without chemicals, this could be a method worth trying. Another practice to deter midges was to wear a sprig of elder in the hatband. Sadly I don't think it would be practical to attach pieces to livestock to ward off the midges that give them bluetongue, (see *Country Matters*). Farmers did hang bunches above the working horses in their stables as it was said to keep away flies. Elder was also traditionally planted near dairies as it was said to stop the milk from going sour. Now the most common use of elder is in the making of elderflower cordial. The flower heads should be picked on a warm dry day when the blooms are newly open and white.

To make elderflower cordial see recipe below.

Liz Jarrom

To make 1.5 litres.	Ingredients	1.2 litres water,
	20 heads of elderflowers,	2 unwaxed lemons,
	1.8 kg granulated sugar,	75grams citric acid

Shake elderflowers to remove insects and place in bowl.

Bring the water and sugar to the boil slowly stirring until the sugar has dissolved. Parr zest from lemons in wide strips then slice the lemons discarding the ends and place both zest and sliced lemons into the bowl with the elderflowers. Pour the boiling syrup into the bowl, cover with a cloth and leave at room temperature for 24 hours.

Next day strain liquid through a sieve lined with muslin and store in clean glass or plastic bottles. Screw on the lids.

Serve diluted to taste with fizzy water and ice.

Diseworth Village Hall

This year's AGM will be held on Wednesday June 11th in the village hall, starting at 8pm.

Unfortunately our request for new members prior to the last 2 AGM have largely fallen on deaf ears. Due to this it's now becoming a reality that unless more people are willing to come forward to run, help and support the hall there is every likelihood that closure could follow. Since the hall was renovated 3 years ago the usage and income have increased significantly. This, coupled with the exciting news that the playground resurfacing fund is nearly complete makes it imperative that we try to support the running of the hall wherever possible.

Although the Village Hall is looked after by a committee, the hall actually belongs to the people of the village. It would therefore be wonderful to see more residents coming forward to help share the work load. This involves approximately 4 meetings a year and light tasks between time. As it happens, we are also looking for a secretary at this time but please don't let this deter you from coming forward as there will be no pressure with regards filling this post. Your support on the committee will be appreciated in any capacity

Dave Adcock



Dear Editor

It was a pleasure to walk into the Diseworth

Village Hall to prepare for the Retired Resident's Spring Lunch. The hall is so beautifully refurbished and chairs and tables carefully stacked, but what struck me was the fresh, clean appearance of the whole place. The kitchen is as ever, immaculate, a pleasure to work in. Please convey sincere thanks to those whose responsibility it is to keep the Village Hall so clean and welcoming. Our senior citizens, many of whom remember the hard work put in to acquire and build the hall so many years ago must feel very proud when they enter it.
Nikki Hening

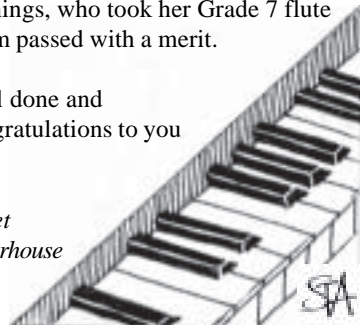
Music News

On 28th April music exams were taken at Castle Donington Community College and as usual everyone gained excellent marks.

Bethan Henry took her Grade 1 saxophone exam, after only starting to play in September. She passed with a merit. Lucy Agar gained a distinction for Grade 2 saxophone and Emily Jennings, who took her Grade 7 flute exam passed with a merit.

Well done and congratulations to you all.

Janet
Moorhouse



DIALOGUE DISPATCHES



Hi,

My name is Andrew Allman and I live at Grange Cottage in the village.

In early July I am riding on my old bike from Birmingham to Paris to raise money for the MS trust. A group of 20 of us will be riding over 300 miles in 4 days in an attempt to raise as much money as possible. All of us have paid our own expenses and any money raised will go straight to this very good cause. Please can you reward my 4 days in the saddle by giving money to this excellent charity. The easy to use website to pay sponsorship money to is <http://www.justgiving.com/andrewallman>

Need a babysitter?

I am a mature, reliable 15 year old girl who lives in Diseworth and I am available for babysitting.

Call Hannah on 01332 810785

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The shop is now open
Mon – Fri 6.30am – 5.30pm
Saturday 6.30am – 1pm
Sunday 7am – 12 noon

Please note that the shop is now open all day Wednesday but the Post Office will close at 1pm.

If you have items for the JULY/AUGUST DOUBLE ISSUE of the *Dialogue* please give to a committee member or email to peggy.tudor@btinternet.com sue@cbrompton.fsnet.co.uk and ruth@airnig.co.uk

There is **NO CHARGE** to put items into the magazine - (except the yellow pages).

Please share with us your stories and announcements.

PLEASE MEET THE DEADLINE of the 7th JUNE

Diseworth village Hall 200 Club

The latest winners of the 200 Club are:-

January

1st (137) A Leech - £30

2nd (159) C Adkin - £20

3rd (18) F Agar - £10

March

1st (160) J Snee - £30

2nd (200) N Hollick - £20

3rd (19) J Fletcher - £10

February

1st (36) Z Adkin - £30

2nd (67) D Thomas - £20

3rd (54) P Banister - £10

April

1st (105) D Griffin - £30

2nd (198) B Howe - £20

3rd (141) J Clark - £10



Book Worms

17th June

- New Book

- If Nobody Speaks Of Remarkable Things, by Jon McGregor - Sandie Moores - 10 Lady Gate

15th July -

The Last Emperor DVD - Sandie Moores - 10 Lady Gate

DIALOGUE DISPATCHES



Congratulations

to Bill and Jayne of Shakespeare Close, who were married on Saturday 17th May. *We look forward to a write up next month.*

DISEWORTH DIALOGUE A.G.M.
Thursday 26th June
Village Hall Committee Room
7.30pm for Committee Members.
8pm for the public

Women's Discussion Group

2nd June -

Subject - Guess Who's coming to Dinner - Tricia Thomas - 9 The Woodcroft

7th July -

Subject - Fantasy Job - Sandie Moores - 10

Lady Gate

4th Aug -

To be confirmed



Congratulations

Many congratulations to Gemma Britton on passing her driving test first time - another success for Dave Adcock!

Extra copies of the Diseworth Dialogue will be on sale in both The Plough and The Bull & Swan and also in Long Whatton Post Office

Advertising News

Welcome - to G Ryan, Painter and Decorator. Turn to Page 34 for more details.



- to Debora (Jepson) and Hazel (Stalker) who are available to provide musical entertainment (piano and vocal duet) at weddings, parties and similar events.

Their unique sound of voice and piano provides a sophisticated background atmosphere for all occasions. Debs and Hazel are experienced performers and can provide a varied repertoire, from popular and contemporary hits through the decades, to show tunes and on to a more classical style. To listen to a small sample or for more information, contact Debs and Hazel by email: melodique@live.co.uk or phone 07816633477.

LONG WHATTON & DISEWORTH PARISH COUNCIL



The largest attendance for many years turned out for the annual Parish meeting. The Council Chairman, Martin Hening, presented his annual report, but many of those present had come to discuss recent planning applications, and in particular the one for a 400 bedroom hotel with two 18 hole golf courses and a golf academy at Woodlands Farm, Long Whatton. Strong views were expressed about the loss of valuable farmland, the effect on wildlife, and in particular the amount of traffic that would be generated by such a development - estimated to be well in excess of 5000 vehicle movements per day. Residents from Shepshed and Belton were also present, sharing these concerns. The Chairman promised to arrange a public meeting, and to invite a planning officer and District and County Councillors to ensure that the strength of feeling against this proposal is recognised when the plans are discussed. The Parish Council has already raised strong objections.

After this meeting, a normal Council meeting took place, at which Martin Hening was re-elected Chairman for the coming year.

*Martin Hening, Chair, Long Whatton and Diseworth Parish Council
Tel: 01332 853647*

Annual Parish Meeting Thursday 1 May 2008 Long Whatton Methodist Church Hall

Chairman's Annual Report

A brief report this year. With so much going on, it could be a short book, but I'll just present some brief highlights.

We were fortunate to appoint as our new Parish Clerk Doug Maas, a man of many years' Council experience. If he thought it would be a quiet life in a small Parish, he came at the wrong time. The Parish Plan and its follow-up programmes, the Community Forum, some major planning issues, and some recent Councillor appointments, were just a few of the challenges. He has sorted out our finances and simplified some of our procedures, to the approval of us all, and has been seen around at many local events: many of you will have met him by now.

The big event of the year was the completion and launch of the Parish plan, an excellent report that was produced as the result of a fine co-operative effort by representatives of both villages. It would be invidious to name names, but I hope they felt their efforts were well rewarded by the reception it got at the launch event in Long Whatton Community Centre, with over 50 people present. Already four themes reflected in the Plan's findings are being tackled. Improvements to the B5324 Ashby Road are well under way (you may have noticed the installation of traffic lights at Hathern turn, as well as speed limit changes and other additional signage). Also on the traffic front, our Speedwatch trial is currently running for a month in both villages.

Much comment on the housing needs of both young people and the elderly in the plan has brought a swift response. A housing needs survey will go to every household in June, and if needs are clearly identified, we are confident that action will follow. The more of you that fill in and return the survey, the better our chances of getting what is needed.

Those young people who helped with the plan should be pleased to know that a Youth Shelter of their choice will shortly be erected on the Diseworth Village Hall field. Used sensibly, it will be a valuable addition to the limited facilities for our teenagers. We were unable to get a site for something in Long Whatton, but we will continue to try. There will be a summer play scheme for younger children from both villages, also at Diseworth Village Hall, of which more news soon.

Although not a Parish Council initiative, mention must be made of the Diseworth Heritage Centre, on which work will be starting next week. It will house all sorts of activities – educational, social and cultural, for residents of both villages and visitors alike. From our point of view, it will provide for the first time a Parish Council Office, rather than a back room in the Clerk's house, giving easy access to Planning Applications, and other information, an advice centre, and a permanent meeting place (with coffee on request). The formal opening of the Centre is planned for November, exactly 8 years after it was closed due to flooding.

Planning is always a major concern for Parish Councils. Having no District Councillors living in the Parish, our local knowledge is particularly important. Most of the time we feel that the Planning Authority, North West Leicestershire District Council, pay heed to our views; though the continued expansion of Harlow Brothers is a matter of some concern both to its immediate neighbours and to the wider public. Current issues include two Hotels and two golf courses. One hotel is at Tea Kettle Hall in Diseworth, where approval was given some years ago for a hotel, but the new application has been criticised for its inappropriate design. The application to build a 400 bedroom hotel with two golf courses at Woodlands Farm has aroused a lot of feeling in the Parish. What could be thousands of traffic movements a day will affect both villages as well as Shepshed and Belton; we have consulted Belton PC and Shepshed Town Council, and will try to produce a coordinated response. About one third of the site is in Shepshed, whose Planning Authority is Charnwood, a complicating factor. Access to the site is almost entirely from the Ashby Road, whose planned improvements noted earlier, do not of course take this into account.

We continue to support a number of village organisations, in particular the two village

magazines, and we are responsible for three playgrounds, soon to be four with the completion of Sherwood Close. We also supported live theatre this year, with a performance by Mikron Theatre, a travelling company (they travel most of the time by boat on the canals); when a booking was cancelled at short notice, we helped financially with their performance at Long Whatton Community Centre. Because of the short notice, the audience was small, but we all had a splendid evening.

We sponsored the Best Village entry for Diseworth, and were surprised and delighted when the winner was announced. The plaque is up at the Cross as proof of success. The judges came just after the Scarecrow Festival, and everyone left their scarecrows out for the occasion (including the lifelike Best Village judges in Hallgate) and that made a big impression. We also won the Business in the community award. I am pleased to learn that Long Whatton has entered this year, and wish them every success.

I would like to thank everyone who has supported our work this year – our Clerk, of course, (with an added thank you to Lindsay who stepped in at short notice when Nev Cheetham fell ill), to my fellow Councillors, who are a fairly new team, but have made my job as Chair quite easy. The Parish Plan team I have mentioned, and I should add mention of the Parish Councillors and others, who worked unstintingly to ensure that the Launch was a splendid occasion socially, and members of the team running the Long Whatton Show, an event that blossomed last year after small beginnings.

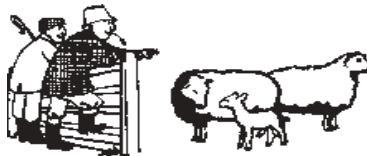
Martin Hening

Speedwatch



The speedwatch team in action. David, Meg and Russell, supported by Trevor (Speedwatch organiser) and Martin

LONG WHATTON & DISEWORTH PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



Crops or golf balls? Wildlife or hotel beds? Local rural landscape or international jet-setting golf players? There seems to be overwhelming opposition to the plans for the major development proposal on our doorstep. The many villagers at the Annual Parish Meeting held in Long Whatton on 1st May certainly expressed their opposition during an extended meeting. The Parish Council has picked this up and has made its feelings known to the planners. Local action and opposition appears to be getting up a real head of steam. There is still time for anyone who has strong feelings to pick up pen and paper (or do it online) and tell North West and Charnwood what they think of the plans.

The Annual meeting of the Council which followed had to run late into the evening. Cllr. Martin Hening was re-elected Chairman. There was good news that Highways will patch up the pot-holed road between Long Whatton School and the Royal Oak in the "early summer" but the powers-that-be don't seem to be in much of a rush to investigate the problem parking opposite Kegworth Lane. Dealing with "airport parking" seems to have been taken on board by the Highways people but will the chosen solution be effective? Some are raising doubts – what would be the best solution?

Diseworth's youth shelter should have arrived by the time you read this.

Speedwatch is effective! It was reported that bus speeds were down to 25mph in some cases! Also on safety, the play equipment will get its annual inspection by RoSPA in May and the fence at the Long Whatton play area will be repaired.

The Parish Council hopes that every household will complete – and return in the confidential Freepost envelope – the affordable housing questionnaire. It really is very important. Thank you.

More details about most of this and more is on the website longwhattondiseworth.org.uk and on the notice boards. The full minutes of the meetings can be found there too, as well as the agendas for meetings coming up.

In his Annual Report, Martin Hening said of the new Parish Clerk, "If he thought it would be a quiet life in a small Parish, he came at the wrong time." Well, no I didn't ... glad it's not ... pleased to lend a hand. "Phew! Has a year gone by already?"

Douglas Maas, Parish Clerk

WOMENS' GROUP

There was a good reason, but, unaccustomed and slightly uncomfortable as I am to public speaking, I chaired the meeting in Liz Jarrom's absence only to suggest people had come for the free coffee. Naughty, and not the right moment for a joke! Everyone was in serious mode, eager to hear Kathy Wright, Practice Manager of the Castle Donington Surgery.

Dr McGhee and partners are fighting to keep the tradition of being able to see ones own family doctor, whilst the government discourages it. With 9045 patients and just 10 doctors overall, it is not surprising that the appointments system goes into overload. It's also sad to hear that over 120 appointments were missed by patients last month.

Back in January 2008, 12 patients were invited to a meeting with the idea of setting up a forum, for those people and the surgery to discuss current issues and changes to the modern day practice. I was one of them and to my surprise David Cherry was there also. Two representatives in Diseworth, pretty good! Since then a suggestions box has been introduced at the surgery, but after the Women's Group meeting it will probably be moved to a better site in the waiting room for all to see.

After many questions and some helpful answers Sue Roberts gave the vote of thanks and a charity donation was given to Kathy.

David Cherry and I will be available to put any queries you may have to the forum in the future.

Sheila Dakin 810858



NEXT MEETING -

Monday 9th June

A Visit to Thrumpton Hall

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7pm

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Just for Fun

Food, Glorious Food

In the beginning God covered the earth with broccoli, cauliflower and spinach, with green, yellow and red vegetables of all kinds so Man and Woman would live long and healthy lives. Then using God's bountiful gifts, Satan created Dairy Ice Cream and Magnums. And Satan said, 'You want hot fudge with that?' And Man said, 'Yes!' And Woman said, 'I'll have one too with chocolate chips'. And lo they gained 10 pounds.

And God created the healthy yoghurt that woman might keep the figure that man found so fair. And Satan brought forth white flour from the wheat and sugar from the cane and combined them. And Woman went from size 12 to size 14. So God said, 'Try my fresh green salad'. And Satan presented Blue Cheese dressing and garlic croutons on the side. And Man and Woman unfastened their belts following the repast. God then said 'I have sent you healthy vegetables and olive oil in which to cook them'. And Satan brought forth deep fried coconut king prawns, butter-dipped lobster chunks and chicken fried steak, so big it needed its own platter, and Man's cholesterol went through the roof.

Then God brought forth the potato; naturally low in fat and brimming with potassium and good nutrition. Then Satan peeled off the healthy skin and sliced the starchy centre into chips and deep-fried them in animal fats adding copious quantities of salt. And Man put on more pounds. God then brought forth running shoes so that his Children might lose those extra pounds. And Satan came forth with a cable TV with remote control so Man would not have to toil changing the channels. And Man and Woman laughed and cried before the flickering light and started wearing stretch jogging suits.

Then God gave lean beef so that Man might consume fewer calories and still satisfy his appetite. And Satan created McDonalds and the 99p double cheeseburger. Then Satan said 'You want fries with that?' and Man replied, 'Yes, and super size 'em'. And Satan said, 'It is good.' And Man and Woman went into cardiac arrest.

God sighed and created quadruple by-pass surgery.
And then Satan chuckled and created the National Health Service.

THE FINAL WORD ON NUTRITION

After an exhaustive review of the research literature, here's the final word on nutrition and health:

- Japanese eat very little fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than us.
- Mexicans eat a lot of fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than us.

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Diseworth Working Weekend

The Kegworth Vintage Agricultural Club and the Ford and Fordson Association are holding their third charity fundraiser for the Air Ambulance and local charities at Woodhouse Farm, Diseworth on 20th/21st September 2008.



Last year the clubs gave away £7,600 – nearly double the amount raised from the first year, with large numbers of the public attending.

On the Saturday there will be a large collective public auction of farming and miscellaneous items commencing at 11 a.m. Tractor pulling will take place throughout the day and there will be some working tractors in the afternoon.

Sunday will feature a large ploughing match, commencing at 10 a.m. Ford and Fordson will have a large display of working tractors – County, Roadless, Doe, Marshall, Fords etc., from all around the country. Crawlers and other makes of tractors will also be working and there will be at least four teams of Shire Horses.

On both days each club will have large displays of tractors from vintage to new, as well as implements, engines and vehicles. There will be trade stands of all types, both inside and outside of the marquees, to include local farm product, crafts, parts, hardware, etc. Also there will be a hog roast, refreshments, bar, raffles, tombola, etc., (Stands and marquees are on grass)

Admission £3 Saturday £5 Sunday Under 14s free
All proceeds to the above charities
Please come and join us

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- Chinese drink very little red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than us.
- Italians drink excessive amounts of red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than us.
- Germans drink beer and eat lots of sausages and fats and suffer fewer heart attacks than us.
- The French eat foie-gras, full fat cheese and drink red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than us.

CONCLUSION:

Eat and drink what you like. Speaking English is apparently what kills you.

Here endeth the Lesson.

Thank you to Anna Groves who forwarded this



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Castle Donington Community College	01332 810528 postroom@castledonington.leics.sch.uk
Castle Donington Volunteer Bureau	01332 850526
Chemist, Gerald Porter, Castle Donington	01332 810213
Derby City Hospital	01332 340131
Derby Playhouse	01332 363275 www.derbyplayhouse.co.uk
Derby Royal Infirmary - accident & emerg	01332 347141 ext 2170
Derbyshire Children's Hospital - emergency (health emergencies not caused by injury)	01332 340131 ext. 6808/6809
Diseworth C of E Primary School	01332 810208
Doctor's Surgery - Health Centre, Castle Donington	0844 477 3092
Orchard Surgery, Kegworth	01509 674919
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East Midlands Electricity emergencies customer services	0800 056 8090 0800 363363
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Loughborough Hospital	01509 611600
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North West Leicester District Council	01530 454545 www.nwleics.gov.uk
Nottingham Concert Hall	0115 989 5555
Nottingham Playhouse	0115 941 9419
Nottingham Royal Centre	0115 989 5555 www.royalcentre-nottingham.co.uk
Police	0116 222 2222
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Traveline - for all public transport information	0870 608 2 608 www.traveline.org.uk

If you have any suggestions for useful numbers to be included in this directory, please let any committee member know. *It's your magazine!*

The Neighbourhood Watch beat officer for Diseworth is Jason Underwood No. 1760. He can be contacted on 0116 248 5675 and then entering his number 1760.

Village Directory

Organisation	Contact Person	Telephone No
Book Worms	Sandie Moores	01332 812629
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Diseworth Village Hall	Dave Adcock	01332 850337
Flower Show	Pat Guy	01332 811119
Friends of Diseworth School	Meryl Tait	01332 812952
Guides	Sandie Clark	01332 814939
Heritage Centre	Martin Hening	01332 853647
History Society	Pat Guy	01332 811119
Millennium Meadow	Pat Guy	01332 811119
Neighbourhood Watch	Noel McGough	01332 811362
Scouts & Cubs	Jenny Buckle	01509 842593
Soar Valley Twinning Assoc.	Sheila Hawsworth	01509 568793
W.I.N.G.S.	Erica & Andy Foxall	01332 811689
Womens' Discussion Group	Liz Jarrom	01332 810358
Womens' Group	Sheila Dakin	01332 810858

Diseworth Village Hall

If you would like to book the village hall please contact Dave Adcock.
He will make arrangements for the provision of keys at the appropriate time.
9 Page Lane, Diseworth. 01332 850337

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH CONTACTS

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Barry Smith, 18 Hall Gate. 812600
Sandie Moores, contact person for Lady Gate. 812629
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YOUR LOCAL PARISH COUNCIL

The role of your Parish Council includes safeguarding the amenities of the village, including highways, lighting, drainage, road signs and planning matters. Current planning matters are available for inspection by arrangement with the **Parish Clerk:**

Douglas Maas, 86 Forest Road, Markfield LE67 9UN. Tel: 01530 242534.

Email: longwhatdisepc@hotmail.com.

Please visit the website at www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk (being updated).

If you wish to discuss any matters of concern, please contact your Parish Councillors:

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Sue Roberts, Chapel Farm, Hall Gate, Diseworth DE74 2QJ	01332 810813
Kevin Brown, 10 Grimes Gate, Diseworth DE74 2QD	01332 850910
Derek Wiggins, Bull & Swan, Grimes Gate, Diseworth DE74 2QD	01332 853960
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Parish Council meetings are held at 7.30pm on the first Thursday of each month, alternately at Diseworth and Long Whatton. Please see the Notice Boards or ask the Parish Clerk for current information or to make general enquiries about the Parish Council.