



Wixams News

Neighbourhood
Watch

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Caring for the community - Without Prejudice



Burglary advice

- ☐ Ensure your car keys are hidden out of sight and away from your letterbox
- ☐ If you're heading away for the weekend, ask a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on your home and report any suspicious activity via 101



Police urge communities not to let terror attacks divide them

Bedfordshire Police is urging communities to stand together in the fight against terrorism, after a number of terror attacks in recent months.

The force has experienced a number of hate crime incidents over the weekend including an incident where a man was assaulted by a group of men who also called him a terrorist. The man required hospital treatment but fortunately is not seriously injured.

In other incidents across the county, a shopkeeper and takeaway staff were racially abused.

Sergeant James Hart, hate crime lead for Bedfordshire Police, said: "Sadly we are aware that following incidents such as the tragic attack in London there can be an increase in hate crime within our communities. "On Saturday night a man was knocked unconscious and called a terrorist, in what we believe is a hate crime attack motivated by the incident in London. This was a completely unprovoked and senseless attack and we are working hard to find those responsible.

"No-one should have to suffer from either physical or verbal abuse as a result of who they are and we will not tolerate hate crime in any shape or form. "We are urging our communities to stand together at this difficult time for the country and we would urge anyone who is a victim of, or witness to, hate crime to report it immediately." Call the police on 101, Crimestoppers on 0800 555111 or via their website at www.crimestoppers-uk.org, or visit the True Vision website (www.report-it.org.uk) for information, advice about and to report hate online. In an emergency, always dial 999.

Source: Beds Police - neighbourhood alert 5/6/2017

Wixams Parish Council

Annual Election

At our Annual Parish Council meeting on 22nd May, we were delighted to re-elect Councillor Anthony Pedder for another year as Chairman of Wixams Parish Council with Councillor Peter Webb re-elected as Vice-Chairman for another year also.

Vacancy

Wixams Parish Council has a vacancy for a Councillor! If you are over 18, live in the village and are interested in the community – please do consider putting yourself forward for the position of Councillor. Please contact our Chairman, Councillor Tony Pedder on 07858 366608 or our Clerk, Diane Robins on 07563 108666 for further details.

Grants for Local Clubs and Societies



Wixams Parish Council was delighted to award the Wixams Hatters, a local football club, a grant of £500.00 towards football equipment for their junior teams.

We have funding available to purchase capital equipment for local clubs and societies who can demonstrate a benefit to some or all residents in Wixams. Grants of up to £2,000 are available. Please contact the Clerk for further information and an application form.

Next Parish Council Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 20th June 2017 from 7:30pm at Lakeview Village Hall in the Munson room – members of the public are very welcome – we even provide refreshments! Look out for our agenda for the next Parish Council meeting which will always be published on our website at least 3 working days before each meeting. You can also view past minutes and find out who your Councillors are, how you can contact them and what they look like! Our website is: www.wixamsparishcouncil.bedsparishes.gov.uk (or just Google 'Wixams Parish Council')

Diane Robins
Clerk to the Council
Wixams Parish Council
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Reported crime

Crimes reported in Wixams - May

13/5/2017 19:00, Brooklands Avenue
Public order - fear or provocation of violence

28/5/2017 11:00, Greenside Close
Theft from motor vehicle

01/4/2017 Domestic

01/4/2017 Domestic

The crime report is provided by Bedfordshire Police with volunteer help from Bedford & District Neighbourhood Watch.

Special Constables

Bedfordshire Police is undertaking a recruitment drive for Special Constables. These are volunteers who have the same powers as Police Constables, including powers of arrest and the ability to stop vehicles. They must volunteer for a minimum of 16 hours a month. There are currently 250 Special Constables in Bedfordshire. For more information call 07590465193 or email BeSpecial@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk. Further details can also be found at <http://www.bedfordshire.police.uk>



Wixams Vixens are pleased to announce some forthcoming events in Wixams Village for your diaries:

- **Sunday 16 July - Jumble Trail**
- **Saturday 16 September - Quiz**

Night at Wixams Village Hall

Look out for further details on our Facebook Page Wixams Vixens WI. Our monthly meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month in the Munson Room, Wixams Village Hall, 7.45 pm - free for members, non-members £5 - everyone welcome.

Barbara Matthews

999 - Emergency

where there is a risk of:

- personal injury
- loss of life
- crime in action

101 - Call Handling

- Crime in action where there is not a risk of personal injury
- Suspicious incidents

Put this number on your mobile

For further information on **Wixams Neighbourhood Watch** see www.wixams.org.uk/wnw, facebook, or email Alan at wnw@wixams.org.uk

Bedford & District Neighbourhood Watch - bedfordnhw.ourwatch.org.uk

All non-emergency calls to **Bedfordshire Police** should be done via **101**, whether reporting an incident or trying to contact anyone within a local policing team. Additional contact methods can be found at www.bedfordshire.police.uk/contact.aspx. See also www.police.uk

Crimestoppers - 0800 555 111 crimestoppers-uk.org

The aim of Wixams Neighbourhood Watch (WNW) is to help develop safer local communities and improve the quality of life. Members of WNW deliver the Wixams News in Wixams.

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Wixams News



Do you have a question for Sheila to answer in the Wixams News **Health column** on page 3? Either email questions to

wnw@wixams.org.uk or contact Sheila direct.

Wixams Allotments

Allotment members are having a lot of success growing vegetables this year. There are still a few plots vacant, so if you are interested contact Diane Robins, Wixams Parish Clerk. Contact details are on page 1.

The Lakeview Allotment Association is active in helping look after the allotment site, sharing advice and practical help.

Wixams businesses

Take a look at the Wixams businesses facebook page at www.facebook.com/groups/Wixams.Businesses

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Alan



Wixams News deadline - Friday 30th June for any copy, news adverts or changes to existing adverts. Contact wnw@wixams.org.uk 47 Green Lane, Wixams, Bedford MK42 6DA www.wixams.org.uk/wnw
The next Wixams News will be published mid July.

Wixams Parish Council cont.

Re: Start of village 2 this year

From: Clements, Lisa [<mailto:lisa.clements@barratthomes.co.uk>]

Sent: 24 February 2017 12:09

To: Wixams PC Clerk

Subject: **RE: *Ext: Works at Southern Cross**

Dear Diane,

Thank you for your email.

Although there will be a lot of disruption at the end of Southern Cross it is our intention to keep a pedestrian route open to the allotments and across the footpath at all times. This will have to be carefully managed with the correct 'beware construction traffic' signage to ensure everyone's safety.

Kind regards

Lisa

Lisa Clements MRTPI

Senior Planner

Barratt Northampton (a trading name of BDW Trading Ltd)

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Health

Not for the squeamish but at any given time 80% of us will be providing a home to a parasite....I don't advise googling this late at night!

They are very easily picked up and passed on as their eggs are very small, from family pets, fish sushi, eating out when hygiene has not been a priority and sometimes carried in water.

There are many types and often show no symptoms, however signs can be nausea, diarrhoea, rashes, tiredness, bloating, abdominal pain and most common in children an itchy bottom.

Parasites hide in the body, sometimes in the joints – a suggested cause for some types of arthritis as they produce an acid waste, the brain and the gut.

Diagnosing can also be tricky. Raw ginger, garlic can help but a gentle cleanse once a year is a good idea. We attend to our pets so why not ourselves? Oxex is easily available and simple to take, and there are other herbal blends but those containing wormwood can cause discomfort.

Finally, if you think you have a parasite don't take vitamins B, A, E as they feed your guests!

Sheila Partridge

Dip Nutritional Medicine

www.sheilapartridge.com

Do you have a question for Sheila to answer in this column? Either email questions to www@wixams.org.uk or contact Sheila direct

Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability.

Acts 2:2-4

Events Diary:

Sunday mornings: watch this space for news of our new celebrations, launching in September!

Fridays, 10:30 am - 12 pm: Little Stars a playgroup for babies & preschoolers with parents & carers



Thursday 15th June & 20th July 3:30 - 5:30 pm: Messy Church a way of being Church for families, involving fun, Bible Stories & a family meal together

For more info...

www.wixamschurch.org.uk

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f : [facebook.com/WixamsChurch](https://www.facebook.com/WixamsChurch)

t : @WixamsChurch

Family that He gave us
Love so loved the world
Bible Father that everyone
Heaven who inspire
Welcome Jesus
Expression believes in Him
Prayer may Fresh
Worship not die Gospel have story
Life but Trinity eternal life Holy Spirit
Community Forgiveness Mission Serve John 3:16

Who's Who?

New schools in Wixams opening in September



A recent tour of both schools revealed great progress both inside and out, and decorating is beginning to take place.

Wixams Academy update

The school's furniture and ICT equipment has been ordered and the specialist areas including Science, PE, Technology and Music are now being prepared. Outstanding appointments are continuing to be made, meaning your children will have the very best teachers in the region:

- Director of Maths – Jacquie Hepburn
- Assistant Principal – Lindsey Pearson

Wixams Tree Primary update

The multi-use games area now has tarmac and fencing, and the field has been marked out.

There have been some outstanding appointments, meaning your children will have the very best teaching and 'wrap around' care facilities:

- Key Stage One Leader – Kelly Pestell
- Early Years Leader – Helen Leach

Please visit www.wixamsacademy.co.uk or

www.wixamstreeprimary.co.uk where you will find more up-to-date progress and job vacancies for both schools.



Councillor GRAEME COOMBES

Reporting to Wixams - June 2017

Taken from Cllr Coombes' monthly report to WPC

Stagecoach 81 Bus Service – Wilstead / Wixams

As a result of funding reductions by Central Beds Council, the 81 service will no longer run on Sundays and Bank Holidays from 21st May. Stagecoach claim that the service isn't viable without the subsidy from Central Beds.

Travellers, Wilstead

A group of travellers arrived at the field just off the A6 at Wilstead just before the Easter weekend. Thanks to swift work from both the Borough Council and the Police, they were removed within less than 72hrs. The travellers left behind a mountain of litter, which was removed by the Borough Environment Team after the travellers had left. I have subsequently requested that this site is designated as a traveller "hotspot" by the Borough Council, so that they can apply for an injunction and remove any future traveller encampments immediately.

Dog Control orders – Bedford Borough

Bedford Borough Council is now consulting with residents on the expansion of Dog Control Orders. This could include: Dog Exclusion Order, Dogs on Leads Order. The consultation closes on 31st July 2017. Comments received may be published. To view the consultation, visit the Borough Council website: http://www.bedford.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/consultations/dog_control_orders_2017.aspx

Covanta Incinerator, Stewartby

I have written my objection to the application by Covanta for an environmental permit for their proposed incinerator at Stewartby. A decision is expected later in the year.

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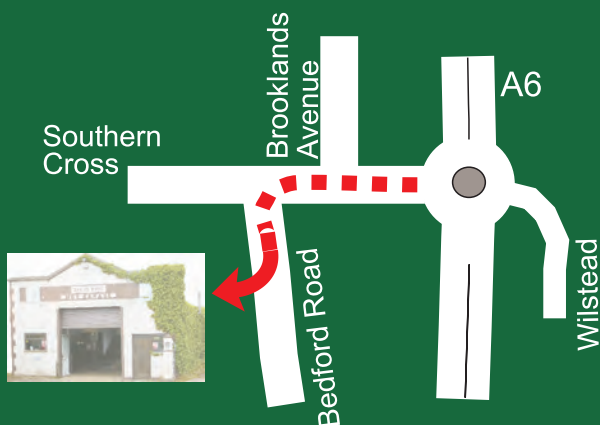
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Wixams Sunday Club 3 to 4pm every Sunday term time Lakeview Village Hall

Free songs, Bible stories, quizzes, prizes, competitions, learn about Jesus for children aged 4-11yrs

IGNITE Tuesdays 6.30-7.45pm all young people in years 5,6,7,8,9 welcome wixams.org.uk/ignite

www.wixams.org.uk/sundayclub Alan & Anne Pibworth, 47 Green Lane

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Mark & Helen

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Wixams Good Neighbour Group

If you're ever stuck for a lift to an important appointment, don't forget our Good Neighbour Group is here to help.

Get in touch as soon as you can and we'll do what we can to help.

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