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Caring for the community - Without Prejudice

e are looking forward to welcoming people to the fourth Macmillan coffee morning at Lakeview village hall, 10am-12pm on Friday September 30th.

Do get in touch if you would like to help out at the event. We will really miss the wonderful baking talents of Bev this year and so all donations of cakes and/or time would be gratefully received.

Steph Little, Jane Brady and Sheila from the village hall team.



Did you come from a place that was a dump? Most people living in Wixams do not want a dump here!

Did you know there are at least 24 litter bins and 11 dog bins in Wixams? Do you have a 'zero-tolerance' view to all forms of anti-social behaviour; such as littering, dog fouling, graffiti and flytipping?

Did you know there is a £75 Fixed Penalty Notice for littering? "Littering is not just anti-social, it is an offence" - Mayor Dave Hodgson



big thank you to Linda Whitfield, A Community Development Officer for the Wixams since 2009. Linda started the Wixams Community Group (which became the Village Hall management group and Events Group), organised the first meeting of Neighbourhood Watch, started Wixams News and helped organise a great many community events and activities. Linda's post was funded by bpha to help build a strong thriving community - and it has! We wish her well for the future. Linda's role formally finishes this month.

Vixams Parish Council



The new bins with lids have now been installed outside the chip shop and should be totally bird proof! Thank you to Gallagher's for organising this for us.

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Our CCTV cameras are fully functional now and the anti-social biking that Wixams has suffered with in the past seems to have quietened down as a result.



Wixams Street Cleaner Wixams Parish Council invites expressions of interest for the position of a part-time Street Cleaner and General Maintenance Operative. Approximately 2-3 hours / week initially. Interested parties should contact the Clerk in the first instance.

Litter pick



Litter pick in March 2016 Jo Roberts, the Community Engagement Officer at the Forest of Marston Vale is organising a 'Clean Up the Forest' event, to be held over the 4th and 5th March next year, involving every Parish within the Forest of Marston Vale. This will take the form of a big litter-pick within the villages and green spaces throughout the Vale. We will keep you informed of developments.

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