# Withern Village News



A busy Chapel on Christmas Eve

#### Happy New Year!

Carols by Candlelight on Christmas Eve was so well attended, that we ran out of chairs! The collection then raised £250.00 for Christian Aid.

Danny Snell & Co raised £434.00 on Santa's tractor run, which will be split between the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance, and the Dogs Trust.

We received a huge response to our call for adverts in this edition. Thank you to all of the local businesses who have placed advertisements, as it is those contributions that enable you to keep receiving this newsletter free of charge.

If you have anything to contribute to future editions, please email withernvillagehall@gmail.com.

Hollie Pocklington, Editor

#### **Upcoming Events**

Every Sunday

Weekly Worship at Withern Chapel, 10:30am

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Withern Singers meet at Withern Chapel, 7:30pm

Every Tuesday

Withern Art Group meet at Withern Village Hall, 1:30pm - 3:30pm

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Soup and Sweet at Withern Chapel, 12:00pm - 3:00pm

Every Wednesday

Withern Sewing Group meet at Withern Village Hall, 10:00am - 1:00pm

#### **Red Lion Clearance Sale**

Saturday 27th January, 12:00pm - 4:00pm Withern Chapel will also be open for Refreshments

**Bingo** at Withern Village Hall Saturday 27th January, 7:00pm. Licensed Bar, Cash Prizes

**Pie Night** at Withern Village Hall Saturday 17th February, 6:00pm Forms included in this newsletter

**An Evening with Medium Joe** at Withern Village Hall Saturday 16th March, 6:30pm, £10.00 entry

Race Night at Withern Village Hall Saturday 4th May, details to follow

#### **Announcements**



#### Valerie Stevens

It is with great sadness the family of Valerie (Val) Stevens announce her passing on Friday 17th November 2023. Val was a cherished and loving mother to Andrew, Steven, Adrian, Susie and Melanie.

A much loved and treasured sister, sister in law and aunt to Mog, Ray and Julie and mother in law to Claire, Mark and Helen. Val adored her many grandchildren, spending their school holidays looking after them.

Val lived in Withern for about 30 years. She moved to Alford in 2009, and shortly afterwards was diagnosed with Alzheimers.



#### Susan Frost

Sue passed away on 31st December 2023, with partner Russ and daughter Jayne by her side.

Her funeral will be at Alford crematorium on Tuesday 23rd January, at 2:00pm. Anyone is welcome to come and pay their respects. Bright colours preferred, Sue loved purple and orange. Family flowers only please, or if anyone would like to donate there will be a collection for Dementia Uk at the funeral.



#### **New Baby**

David and Sue Pollard are proud to announce the birth of their 6th Grandchild, a boy named Chester Martin David Pollard, on 29th November 2024. Many congratulations to their son and daughter in law, Alex and Laura

#### **Birthdays**

Sue Pollard, 6th January
Darren Gregory, 24th January
Kian Malkin-Jones, 6 on 26th January
Nancy Pridgeon, 6 on 14th February
Harry Hart, 3 on 13th March
Oliver Pocklington-O'Pray, 6 on 15th March



Pictured: Harry Hart

## Baking for Charity



Oliver (5) and Casper (3) both live in Withern, and are baking to raise money for Head Up: the Mental Health Charity for the UK Armed Forces. You may remember that Oliver started baking during lockdown, aged only 2. We ended up with so much cake that we started selling it to raise money for Withern Chapel, and within a year had raised £1,000! Now Casper is taking an interest too, and we're once again finding ourselves with an abundance of cake...

We have chosen to raise money for Head Up as they are the current chosen Charity of the RAF Typhoon Display team, and Casper absolutely loves aeroplanes - especially Blackjack! We've also chosen Head Up because their step-dad is ex-army (although in the process of rejoining), and we have friends who are currently serving, as well as veterans, who we would not want to see without support if they needed it.

Your support would be even more appreciated, as the boys are hoping to be able to "meet" the Typhoon Display Jet "Blackjack", if they reach our target of £1,000.

Cakes can be found for sale in Withern Chapel on Tuesdays, or contact Hollie. Their current favourites are Battenberg Brownies and Biscoff Rocky Road!

More information about Head Up and the boys' fundraising can be found here: www.justgiving.com/page/oliver-casper-baking







#### Pie Night Order Form

Please fill out one form per person. Choose one of each option below.

Condiments (including gravy) will be available on the night. Please return to Ferriby,

Main Road, Withern (near Gold Lane) by 9th February, along with payment of £8.00.

For additional forms, please email withernvillagehall@gmail.com

You are welcome to attend the social event without consuming a meal.

Name:			
Tel:			Add peas (yes or no)
Pie:	Steak	Cottage	Vegan Chicken &  Mushroom
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# RED LION CLEARANCE SALE

Saturday 27th January 12:00pm - 4:00pm

All donations will be split between Withern with Stain Parish Council and Withern Village Hall

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#### **Parish Council**

Dear Parish Residents,

We hope this message finds you well as we begin a new year in our community. Here are the latest updates from the Parish Council to keep you informed and engaged:

Next Council Meeting: Date: 23rd January 2024 Time: 7:00 pm; Location: Withern Village Hall Agenda Items:

- Flooding: Discussion on the flooding issue affecting the main road. Your insights are invaluable, and we encourage your attendance.
- Highway Issues: Please continue reporting any concerns related to highways via Fix My Street. Links are available on our parish website for your convenience. https://www.fixmystreet.com/
- Precept Increase: In the meeting on 12th December, the Council voted to increase the precept by 6%. This adjustment, after seven years of constancy, is necessitated by rising costs. Your understanding and support are greatly appreciated.
- Bus Shelter Update: Thanks to the persistent efforts of Councillor Gillian Henderson Blair, the bus shelter now has a new glass, providing warmth and shelter while waiting for the bus—a heartfelt thank you to Gillian for her dedication.
- Zebra Crossing for School: The Parish Council is working on installing a zebra crossing in front of the school. While the exact completion date is pending, we are committed to enhancing safety for our children.
- Theddlethorpe: Councillors Hesketh and Acklam are actively pursuing a test of public support for Theddlethorpe. Your unbiased opinions matter.
- Devolution Consultation: Lincolnshire County Council is consulting on Devolution. Please have your say before 29th January 2024 by visiting Let's Talk Lincolnshire. https://www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/devolution
- Welcome New Councillor Danny Snell: We extend a warm welcome to our new Councillor, Danny Snell, known for his charitable Santa runs. We are delighted to have him on board.
- If you are interested in joining the Council, please reach out as we have one vacancy remaining.

Draft minutes of the last meeting are available on our website. https://withernstain.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/

#### Flooding Support:

If you have been affected by flooding, please get in touch with our Parish Clerk, Sarah Kennett, as funding support may be available via Victoria Atkins.

Contact Information: Sarah Kennett - Parish Clerk,

Tel: 07470 792 549, Email: parishclerkwithernstain@gmail.com Your involvement and feedback are crucial in shaping the future of our parish. Let us continue to work together to make Withern with Stain a thriving and supportive community.

#### Withern Village Hall

Your Village Hall Committee members are:

Chairperson: Hollie Pocklington

Secretary: Jackie Brazier Treasurer: Sue Pollard

Committee Members: Chloe Jackson, Chris Jesney, Chris Pocklington,

Gwen Acklam, Margaret Hart, Terry Lafferty.

Your Village Hall is available to hire for only £7.50 per hour! We have a fully functioning kitchen, licenced bar and disabled facilities. For bookings, please email withernvillagehall@gmail.com

#### Flower & Vegetable Show

After the success of last year's show, planning is already underway to make this year's even better! However... we can't do it without your help. If you are able to volunteer on the day, or would like to donate anything for the raffle or tombola - please email withernvillagehall@gmail.com, or contact a committee member.

New Committee members are always welcome.

If you have any feedback on what we do or could do, please contact us in the usual way.

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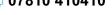
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The village provides a shop, a lively pub and a post office and it is close to Cadwell Park, Market Rasen, Louth and Horncastle.

















#### **Useful Contacts**

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