

HAWTHORN PARISH COUNCIL

Welcome to our Winter 2018 Newsletter

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At the time of writing we are approaching Christmas very quickly!

Once again the Parish Council has organised our annual Christmas Events. These include the Carols around the Tree with the Pittington Brass Band and the Switching On of the Christmas Lights on the Christmas Tree. These will take place on Saturday December 8th. Santa will also be in the Community Centre earlier in the afternoon with a gift for all of the children. In addition we will have tea and mince pies and mulled wine. Everyone is welcome to come along to these free events.

The Annual Snowman Competition will be judged this year on Saturday 22nd December. You don't need snow! Simply make your snowman from any materials and place in your window or front garden. (Must be visible from the public footpath) and let us know. Also included in this issue is a nomination form for the Chairman's Award. Full details are given overleaf.

We hope as many as possible take part in our Christmas celebrations and look forward to seeing you on the 8th December.

Cllr. Alan Askew (Chairman of the Parish Council)



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Annual Snowman Competition



- Make your Snowman from any materials.
- Place in a window / garden. (Must be visible from public footpath)
- Let a Councillor / Parish Clerk know. Details as over.
- Judges will be visiting on the morning of Dec 22nd
- All entrants will receive a 'little' snowman.
- Winning entries will receive gift vouchers.

**You are invited to attend our
Christmas Celebrations
Saturday December 8th**



3.15pm - 4.45pm

**Santa in the Community Centre
with a present for everyone
(Coffee / tea and mince pies)**

5pm

**Carols around the Christmas Tree
with Pittington Brass Band & Switching On the
Christmas Tree Lights by Grahame Morris MP**

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Jottings from the Parish Council

1. The Parish Council is currently considering budgets and estimates for 2019/2020 and will be setting the precept at their meeting in December. This will be held on Monday 10th December at 7pm in the Community Centre.
2. Two new seats are being placed - on the village green and at the northern entrance to the village. Additional seats are being ordered for the verge at the junction of Stockton Road and High West Lane and also to replace the existing seat near the Rectory. In addition 2 new planters have been purchased for the village green and additional bulbs planted throughout the village. All have been financed through the Community Plant Project and Grant.
3. Meetings are held the third Monday of each month (except August) at 7pm in the Community Centre. Everyone is welcome to come along and speak during Public Participation.

Chairman's Award

The Parish Council would like to invite nominations for this new Award. If you know someone who has made a significant contribution to the village then why not nominate them. Full details as over.

The Parish Council is busy arranging community events for 2019 - watch out for details in the Spring News or register for the monthly electronic newsletter the Hawthorn Round Up by emailing lesley.swinbank@hawthornparish.co.uk. All information is available on the council's website at www.hawthornparish.co.uk

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Chairman's Award

Nomination form

The aim of the Award is to publicly recognise the work and commitment of local residents who have made a significant contribution to their local community.

Guidance for the Chairman's Award Nominations

1. Nomination forms will be invited in December of each year and should be completed and deposited in special boxes at local points - forms are available in hard copy in the newsletter, via email from the clerk and online from the Parish Council website.
2. Anyone resident in the Hawthorn and over the age of 18 is eligible for nomination.
3. Parish Councillors and Parish Council employees are not eligible for nomination.
4. The closing date for entries is January 31st each year.
5. The name of the winner will be decided by the Parish Council and the award presented by the Chairman of the Parish Council at the Annual Parish Meeting in March.
6. The name of winner will be recorded in a 'Roll of Winners' as a permanent and public record of the award.
7. All the nominees will be presented with a Chairman's Award certificate.
8. Nomination forms can be downloaded and printed from www.hawthornparish.co.uk

Thank you for taking the time to make a nomination but before you begin, please fill in your details.

Your name:.....

Your address:.....

Your phone number:.....

Your mobile phone number:.....

Your email address:.....

Nominee details (the person nominated must be over 18yrs of age):

Name:.....

Address:.....

Phone /number:.....

Mobile phone number:.....

Email address:.....

How do you know of this person?

Please describe, in no more than 200 words, the contribution to the community made by this person, including the nature of their contribution, how long this has been for, and who has benefited.

Once complete please put this form in one of the Award Nomination Boxes at the Community Centre / Stapylton Arms or e mail to clerk@hawthornparish.co.uk

Closing date for nominations: 31st January