

Haxey Parish Council Newsletter – November 2019

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Haxey Parish Council wish all residents a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Ground Maintenance Handyman/Haxey In Bloom volunteers

Due to the retirement of the current handyman who has carried a fabulous job over the past couple of years resulting in the recent results for the parish including – Haxey – 1st in the Large Towns category the Parish Council now have a vacancy for a Handyman.

The role of the Haxey Parish gardener involves the following tasks;

- Prepare troughs and beds for new seasonal planting by weeding, digging over and adding compost as required. Planting normally takes place twice per year in May and October. Hanging baskets are only taken out in May.
- Pick up flower plants and hanging baskets from a location in Haxey and take to agreed locations throughout the Parish.
- Hang up the hanging baskets (16) in May.
- Plant out flowers in prepared beds (6), large planters (6) and village entry troughs (10) in May and October.
- Water all the beds, baskets and troughs regularly. The frequency will depend on the weather but the hanging baskets, in particular, may need daily watering in hot weather.
- Dead head the flowers as necessary and apply liquid feed at regular intervals.
- At the end of the summer season, collect, clean the hanging baskets and return to the Parish Council for storage.
- In May and October clear the beds and troughs ready for the planting. "

The Parish Council are also looking for volunteers to join a 'Haxey In Bloom' Group which will manage the planting and maintenance in Haxey and Westwoodside.

Please contact the Clerk for further details.

Volunteers needed

Are you interested in volunteering to support Haxey Library as a community-led library?

North Lincolnshire Council will shortly be consulting local residents on the future of Haxey Library following the retirement of the librarian. Before that happens, we need assurance that there are sufficient local volunteers to keep the library open.

We need local people who can spare some time to work in a voluntary capacity in the library.

There are 3 categories of volunteer needed

- Work in the library for a few hours each week.
- To cover other volunteers on an occasional basis.
- To support special events that might be held in the library.

No previous experience is necessary and full training will be given. The council will continue to manage the library stock and IT systems.

It is anticipated that the new arrangements for the library will be in place by the end of November 2019.

There are many examples of highly successful community-led libraries across the country and we are confident that Haxey has the potential to be equally successful with the support of local people. If you are interested in helping please contact Cllr David Rose on 07762 056445 or cldr.davidrose@northlincs.gov.uk

Be part of the conversation - join the North Lincolnshire Residents' Panel

Residents in North Lincolnshire can now register their interest in joining the 'Residents' Panel' to have their say on living in the area.

The online panel is due to launch in early 2020 and will be made up of local people who the council will contact to get a better understanding of residents' views on local issues.

Panel members will be sent regular surveys asking for views on a range of topics. Members will be regularly updated on how the results are being used to shape and improve local services.

Around 1,500 people will be recruited from across North Lincolnshire to join the consultative body of local people. Members will help identify priorities and shape future developments.

The panel members, who will be periodically refreshed, will be invited to take part in a rolling programme of research and consultation including regular surveys, focus groups and workshops.

To register your interest in joining the Residents' Panel, go to www.northlincs.gov.uk/residentspanel. Anybody who is aged 16 or above and lives in North Lincolnshire can apply to join the panel.

To ensure that the panel is representative of North Lincolnshire's diverse population, acceptance onto the panel is not automatic. People will be contacted in early 2020 to let them know if they have been accepted or not. Anyone who is not accepted will be added to a reserve list.

People whose work brings them in to contact with North Lincolnshire residents' can also help by supporting the promotion of the panel as widely as possible. Further details are available by emailing residentspanel@northlincs.gov.uk.

Remembrance Service 11 November 2019 – 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day

The annual 11th of the 11th Ceremony at the Soldier Memorial arranged by the Parish Council has taken place. This year was the 100th Anniversary of the first Armistice Day following the end of the First World War and the Parade was again very well attended by representatives of the Royal British Legion, Haxey Parish Councillors, the Lions, Uniformed groups, Pupils and Teachers from Haxey and Westwoodside Schools, Humberside Police, Veterans and Parishioners. Paul Taylor from St Nicholas Church officiated.

Following the wreath laying ceremony, the 2-minute silence was preceded by the Last Post and followed by Reveille played by Samantha Cook, former pupil of South Axholme Academy.

