

Haxey Parish Council Newsletter – June 2020

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VE Day, May 8th 2020

VE Day 75 years celebrations were curtailed in Haxey Parish due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

However, whilst the weekend celebrations were cancelled, through respect to the residents Haxey Parish Council celebrated Victory in Europe on Friday 8th May 2020.

Haxey Parish Council Chairman, Cllr David Knowles along with the Royal British Legion representatives; Mr Mike Parkin and Mr Ken Layton laid a wreath at the Soldier Memorial to remember the Fallen of the Parish at 11am following 2 minutes silence. Thanks to Ken for laying the wreath.

At 3pm, which was the time Winston Churchill addressed the Nation, Samantha Cook, who supports the Council and St Nicholas Church every year with our Armistice Day celebrations, played The Last Post and Reveille at the Greenhill in Haxey. Thank you, Sam, for your continued support.

This was followed by local resident Kate Bilmore, who had learnt the tune ' Battles O'er' traditionally played by pipers at the end of the battle. VE 75 years was specially written for the occasion by Piper Major Roger Bayes of the City of Norwich Pipe Band. Thank you for your hard work, your contribution was wonderful. On both occasions a small group gathered adhering to strict social distancing. Thank you to them for stopping to support the celebrations.

I would like to thank the working group who had a sterling weekend planned for you and say watch this space for VJ day in August.

Also thank you to the many Parishioners who organised small personal events.



Left - Mr Basil Dunford who was to have been our guest of honour for the weekend, attending a small celebration organised by his neighbours.

Right - Kate Bilmore (Piper) and Sam Cooker (Bugler) at Greenhill, Haxey.

Haxey Neighbourhood Plan

A New Approach to Future Development within Haxey Parish - A Neighbourhood Plan

Do you feel you have the skills, experience, knowledge, and passion to help bring together a plan which would focus on the future development of Haxey Parish?

Neighbourhood Plans allow residents within communities a higher level of influence on the nature and type of development in their area for a period of 5 years. These Plans work in conjunction with the plans of the Principal Authority but help create a greater focus on local issues and impacts such as housing, business, land and other development. Such plans can help create a vision for the future based on what residents feel is relevant and important rather than merely being a small part of the wider strategy of the Principal Authority.

The process of bringing together the plan can take time and energy; it includes continuing consultation with residents using a variety of formats and is supported by guidance from North Lincs Council. Even the final adoption of the Plan for submission to the Principal Authority is determined by a local referendum.

The first important step is to put together a Core Steering Group led by Haxey Parish Council and to include persons who live, work and have businesses within the Parish. The Parish Council are seeking as diverse a group of eligible people as possible to join them as part of the Steering Group, or even be co-opted for certain parts of the process, so if you feel you have any of the above and would like to give time to this project please contact the Clerk.

Further information on Neighbourhood Plans and their production can be found on the website of North Lincs Council and Haxey Parish Council.

<https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/>

<http://www.haxeyparish.org.uk/sub-groups/>

Westwoodside Playing Field

The Playing Field Association has opened its gates to the playing field to allow residents to walk and exercise in the area abiding by the Government Guidelines on social distancing.

The play equipment will remain closed until further guidance from Government as there is no means to ensure that the virus will not spread if the equipment is to open.

The cordons and signage are in place for residents' protection please remind your children of this as there has been some acts of anti-social behaviour and vandalism already on the site.