



*Newport Parish Council
Christmas Message
2019*



Message from the Chair

Firstly, may I wish all the residents of Newport a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

In April of this year Cara Young resigned after many years as Clerk to Newport Parish Council and she has now been replaced by a new clerk, Catherine Train. However, for the time being, Cara will still be the clerk to the Burial Committee dealing with all cemetery related matters. The members would like to extend their thanks for all the work Cara has undertaken for the Council over the years.

This year the Parish Council has achieved the installation of additional dropped curbs throughout the village making access easier and safer and liaised with ERYC to ensure remedial works were carried out in Hopwood Lane to repair deep pot holes. Planters on the Main Road have been refreshed and maintenance undertaken to ensure that grassed areas are neat and tidy and bins regularly emptied. Canal banks have been cut after the Parish Council contacted the Drainage Board. Overgrown hedging obstructing the footpath on Thimblehall Lane East has been cut back to ensure pedestrian safety. New sensors have been fitted on the crossing at the Primary School to extend the time that pedestrians have to safely cross the road. Broken street lighting has been reported to ERYC and repairs completed. Unfortunately, a request made by the Parish Council to have the give way line at the junction of Meadow Lane modified has been rejected as being un-necessary. The Parish Council continues to employ three Youth Workers who run a successful weekly session for young people in the locality.

Work is currently being undertaken on setting up a web site for Newport Parish Council which will take us into the 21st Century and something which the residents have been asking for, for a very long time. It is anticipated that the website will be launched by the new year and the site will provide information about local services delivered by both the Parish Council and our partner East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

Unfortunately, we have been very short of Parish Councillors recently. Thankfully I would like to welcome the return of Alan Hills who brings knowledge and experience as a former parish councillor. However, we do still have vacancies on the Parish Council and if you feel that you have something to contribute to our village and would like to join us please contact Catherine who will be more than happy to help, or myself. The process is simple.

Our Parish Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month starting at 7 p.m. in the Village Hall and are always preceded by a public forum, during which residents can raise issues in relation to Newport or ask questions. This is your opportunity to tell us what concerns you may have about anything that may affect our village. If, however, there is a pressing problem that you wish to raise outside of our monthly meetings, please feel free to contact our Clerk via email – newportparishcouncilclerk@gmail.com or via the parish mobile number 07591 307375. The Clerk works part time and if she is out of office, will provide a response as soon as she is able.

Information in this year's Christmas newsletter includes contributions from Newport Primary School, Newport Village Hall Committee, Newport Cricket Club, Newport Methodist Church and St. Stephen's Church and the Youth Project. I hope you will find the individual contributions which bring our community together, interesting and informative.

A big thank you goes to Pete Coates who continues to work hard all year, around the village keeping the grassed areas well cut and tidy and the refuse bins regularly emptied and to Brian Sherwood for his important work in keeping the cemetery neat and tidy. Also to our colleagues at ERYC.

On behalf of the Parish Councillors and Clerk may we wish all the residents of Newport a happy, peaceful Christmas and New Year.

John Etherington

Chairman – Newport Parish Council

Newport Primary School's report to the Parish Council and Village 2019

Once again we have had a very successful year, attaining more highly in all areas than ever before. The year has flown by at Newport school and we have continued to grow in pupil and staff numbers, the school field, playgrounds and Hall seem more full and alive with children's laughter and enjoyment. Over 150 pupils make for a lively and fun environment.

Yet again we have had to alter the nature of the school and we have now moved to 6 classes, the new class was necessary to ease the numbers in the older age groups. We have employed Mr Broadmeadow for our new Willow class, the children all voted for the name of the classroom.

We have also employed 3 new Teaching Assistants who are working in class with some of our children who need extra provision. We are very lucky in the sense that the growth of the school has lessened the potential damage of the massive cuts in education that have been happening in the last few years. We have not had to make cuts in staffing as other schools have had to. We are wholly appreciative to the Authority for their support with funding, helping us gain rapid growth funding and therefore aiding the continuity of the school.

Whereas other schools have struggled in some financial areas, we have done well, but we are continually thankful to the Friends of Newport School who continue to help us raise critical funds, and help us develop the school in more creative ways.

Our new well resourced Willow class was traditionally our computer suite. We have now all moved to Chrome books and have trolleys and the old server has been replaced by a cloud. We now have 64 Chrome books that are in daily usage and the children are enjoying the computer sessions which are taught in class in a more dynamic and interactive way. Having Willow class has ensured that we can keep class sizes smaller and each class also has a number of teaching assistants. This ensures we can help and support, or challenge all those children that need it, in the way that all children deserve.

Our school is going from strength to strength and the children in all areas are beating National levels, in reading we attain exceptionally highly in advanced levels and we are in the top 10% of Britain. This is thanks to our hard working and happy team.

We have super links with the new vicar Lyn Kenny at St. Stephens and welcome people in the community to our Community Cupcake events, which are on a monthly basis. We continue to have a passionate group of governors who help the school make critical decisions and monitor us in the role of critical friend. We thank our Governors and Friends of Newport school for their support and guidance and appreciate the hard voluntary work they do.

We now run residentails from Year 2 and up and the children have the most wonderful opportunities to see different places and experience different things. We always do Rota days too which the children enjoy immensely and get a great deal of learning from it. The most recent Rota days have been a 'French experience' and a 'Maths Rock star' day. The children started the day with Mr Broadmeadow playing 'We will rock you !' on the drums and all children and staff were dressed up in a smoke filled and club lit hall. What a marvelous day!

We always offer great opportunities including visits and trips, the next visits we are planning are to the theatre to see 'Wizzard of Oz' and 'The Christmas Carol'.

All After School Clubs continue to have been really successful, really helping our working parents and providing educational fun for our children. Breakfast Club again continues to draw in good numbers ensuring that Newport offers good provision for children from 8am till 5.30 each day. Invaluable for some families! Again, we thank our hard working team for all their efforts to make this possible.

As Christmas rapidly approaches, the children have enjoyed Halloween disco's and pumpkin carving. We prepare for carol concerts and productions, whilst fitting in all the great creative learning we do too, I honestly don't know how we fit it all in. We

would love to welcome community members to our carol concert at St Stephen's at 6pm on the 17th December and hope to see a few of you at our Community cupcake events held at least monthly.

From all the children and staff once again at Newport School, we all wish you a marvellous, healthy and happy Christmas. Remember we always welcome volunteers, whether you can offer gardening skills or want to help in class with readers, pop in to see us. Take great care and have a wonderful time!

Ms Debby O'Connell

Headteacher

Newport Village Hall

Newport Village Hall is now in its tenth decade and still going strong thanks to the efforts of a small but dedicated group of volunteers who give of their time to ensure that this valuable community resource can continue to provide a venue for village events. We thank the groups who regularly hire the hall and field – Pre-School, Dog Training, Pilates, Aerial Classes, Exercise Classes, Sewing, Art Class, The Youth Group and Newport Cricket Club. If you want more information about any of these organisations contact us via the Village Hall email secretary@nvhey.uk.

We have regular fund raising events such as the Prize Bingo which takes place every other month throughout the year and monthly quizzes from September to April. The money raised all goes into a fund to improve the facilities. With a ninety year old building, upkeep is a constant issue and we have a long-term plan to update things – a new central heating system being the next big project. In recent times we have upgraded the security system on the premises and replaced the tables and chairs.

We are grateful for the support of people in the village who book the hall for 'one off' events such as children's or adult parties but we have very few things on in the main hall during weekday mornings. If you belong to an organisation looking for a reasonably priced venue, please get in touch.

The Village Hall is managed by a small committee on behalf of its trustees. However, to keep it going in the long term, we really need the additional support of villagers willing to offer their services as volunteers who we can call on if we have bigger events, which needs setting up and closing down. If you are prepared to give a little to the village hall, please get in touch via the email or ring Steve on 07748823984.

We are holding our Annual Trustees Open Meeting on Monday January 13th at 7.30pm in the small hall. Everyone is most welcome to come and hear more about your Village Hall.

Your Village Hall needs YOU.

On behalf of all the Newport Village Hall volunteers, have a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous 2020.

Steve Clarke

Newport Village Hall

Newport Cricket Club

2019 was a much more successful season for the club than the previous year. The first team bounced back from relegation and won promotion back from Division Three to York Senior League Holderness Division Two at the first attempt. In a battle with South Holderness CC for the title, they just missed out, finishing second. In 2018 we struggled to fulfil our second team fixtures but this year played every game. A very young side with six players under eighteen made real progress and never became disillusioned, even though they only won one game. They will be better next season for the experience. The club continues to field a team in the Howdenshire Evening League on Tuesday evenings. Winter nets will begin in January and outdoors at the Recreation Field on Wednesday evenings from late March. If you are interested in playing for a friendly local team, pop into Newport Newsagents and talk to Sam.

Happy Christmas from all the players and officials at Newport Cricket Club.

Newport Methodist Church

Our Advent and Christmas activities begin on Thursday 5 December with our Christmas Fair and Coffee Morning. The proceeds will help us in our efforts to maintain our presence as a church in this community. Our premises are one of the few Methodist listed buildings in the area.

We are now preparing for the church's Christmas celebrations and services. On Wednesday 18 December at 6.30pm in the Chapel we have a Christmas Concert. The children from Newport School have been invited to take part.

On Sunday 22 December it is our Carol Service at 10.30am conducted by one of our circuit local Preachers.

On Wednesday 25 December there will be a short service starting at 10.00am to 10.45am, all are welcome on this special day.

On Sunday 29 December we will have our Christingle Service at 10.30am.

One Sunday in January at 10.30am we will have a Covenant Service which includes the service of Holy Communion. The Covenant Service is a Methodist tradition started by John Wesley when all Methodists were asked to renew their promise to be faithful followers of Jesus.

And so the year will continue, the church celebrating the different festivals but more importantly celebrating the Christian message each Sunday, 10.30am to 11.30am.

We must not forget our week day meetings. The Coffee Morning is held each week on Thursdays from 10am to 12 noon in The-Shop-Under-The-Clock. The Knit and Natter Group meet on the second Wednesday of each month from 2pm to 4pm.

We are also putting in motion plans to turn the Chapel Graveyard into a Community Garden which would be an asset to the whole village. As with all listed property this will be no mean task. There will be rules and regulations to overcome and of course the need of funding to finance such a project.

Our meeting rooms and Coffee Shop are available for hire for village fund raising events. The contact number is 01430 440287.

Finally you may find us of the Newport Methodist Face Book page where you can see our upcoming and ongoing events.

Newport Methodist Church Upcoming Events

Thursday 5 December at 10.30am
Christmas Fair

Wednesday 18 December at
6.30pm

Carol Concert

Sunday 22 December at 10.30am
Carol Service

Wednesday 25 December at 10.00am
Christmas day Service

Sunday 29 December at 10.30am
Christingle Service

Everyone is welcome to attend these events.
Please tell your friends and family.

Gilberdyke and Newport Youth Project Spring and Summer Programme 2020

January 10 th	Newport	Karaoke Night	
January 17 th	Gilberdyke	Bingo Night	
January 24 th	Newport	Chinese New Year	Cooking
January 31 st	Gilberdyke	Cinema night	
February 7 th	Newport	Time to talk event	Mental Health
February 14 th	Gilberdyke	Valentines Night	Healthy relationships /Sexual health
February 21 st	Newport	Half term trip	Lazerquest St Stephens
February 28 th	Gilberdyke	Pancake making night	
March 6 th	Newport	Dodgeball	
March 13 th	Gilberdyke	Baking	
March 20 th	Newport	Mothers day crafts	
March 27 th	Gilberdyke	Pizza night	
April 3 rd	Newport	Sports night	
April 10 th	Gilberdyke	Half term	Good Friday
April 17 th	Newport	Half term	Staff meeting
April 24 th	Gilberdyke	T shirt designs	
May 1 st	Newport	Make up/pamper and hygiene night	
May 8 th	Gilberdyke	bank holiday	
May 15 th	Newport	Make over the leaders night!	
May 22 nd	Gilberdyke	Stress busting night	stress balls and yoga
May 29 th	Newport	half term	Leconfield Army barracks Forest skills.
June 5 th	Gilberdyke	Visit Gilberdyke care home	
June 12 th	Newport	Visit another youth group or invite them to us	
June 19 th	Gilberdyke	Fathers day crafts	
June 26 th	Newport	Community planting Newport bridge	
July 3 rd	Gilberdyke	Be kind	Anti Bullying role play
July 10 th	Newport	First aid training (open to community)	
July 17 th	Gilberdyke	Litter pick	
July 24 th	Newport	Silent disco	Invite other youth groups

Church of England Christmas Services

2019

December 1 st	Eastrington	9.15am	Holy Communion	JL
December 1 st	Wressle	9.30am	All Age	LK
December 1 st	Howden	10.45am	Holy Communion	JL
December 1 st	Laxton	11.00am	RPA	
December 1 st	Newport	11.00am	Holy Communion	LK
December 1 st	Newport	4.00pm	Christingle	LK
December 1 st	Howden	5.30pm	Advent Light	JL & TP
December 8 th	Blacktoft	9.30am	Holy Communion	JL
December 8 th	Howden	10.45am	Advent Meditation	EH
December 8 th	Laxton	11.00am	Holy Communion	LK
December 8 th	Newport	4.00pm	Hub@4	LK
December 8 th	Eastrington	6.00pm	Community Cristingle & Carols	LK
December 15 th	Eastrington	9.15am	Holy Communion	LK
December 15 th	Wressle	9.30am	Adevnt Meditation	EH
December 15 th	Howden	10.45am	Holy Communion	JL
December 15 th	Laxton	11.00am	RPA	
December 15 th	Newport	11.00am	Holy Communion	LK
December 15 th	Blacktoft	6.30pm	Christingle	LK
December 20 th	Laxton	6.30pm	Carols	LK
December 22 nd	Eastrington	9.15am	Advent Meditation	EH
December 22 nd	Blacktoft	9.30am	Holy Communion	LK
December 22 nd	Howden	10.45am	All Age	LK
December 22 nd	Laxton	11.00am	Christmas Communion	JL
December 22 nd	Wressle	3.00pm	Carols	JL
December 22 nd	Newport	4.00pm	Hub@4	LK
December 22 nd	Howden	5.30pm	Nine Lessons	JL & TP
Christmas Eve	Howden	3.00pm	Crib Service	JL
Christmas Eve	Eastrington	4.30pm		LK
Christmas Eve	Newport	6.00pm	Carols	LK
Christmas Eve	Blacktoft	9.30pm	Midnight Mass	LK
Christmas Eve	Howden	11.30pm	Midnight Mass	JL
Christmas Day	Wressle	9.30am	Holy Communion	JL & EH
Christmas Day	Howden	10.45	Holy Communion	JL & EH
December 29 th	Howden	10.45am	Holy Communion	JL

