

Heads - Up!

The newsletter for Headon and Upton **March 2013**



EASTER

POT LUCK SUPPER

In aid of St. Peter's Church

Friday April 5th from 7.30 pm
in the Village Hall

EASTER RAFFLE DRAW

Po'Boys - an evening of Folk, Blues and beyond.

This Friday (15th March) in the Village Hall

Bar open from 7.30 pm, first act live on stage at 8.15 pm

This event is being run by the Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust to help raise funds towards buying land to extend Treswell Wood.

Tickets: £6 in advance (phone 0115 958 8242), £8 on the door

Bus Services

It was reported at the Parish Council meeting that there are rumours that the 36 bus service through Headon and Upton and the 89/90 services through Grove will cease at the end of March. The Council referred this to Nottinghamshire County Council who say that these services will continue after 31st March but with a different operator because YourBus has given notice that stop operating all their contracts from the end of March. There will be some changes to the timetable which will be forwarded once the new contact has been finalised, hopefully in good time before the new service starts.

Do you want to cut your energy bills by up to £200?

Nottinghamshire County Council's Switch'n'Save Offer is designed to bring together people who want to save money on their household bills by switching energy supplier. The more people that join the bigger the savings available for everyone – up to £200 a year on an average bill of £1300. The scheme is backed by Nottinghamshire County Council and Which? to make sure people get independent advice and the best energy deal on the market.

The offer closes on Wednesday 20th March. After this the County Council will negotiate with the energy companies and Which? will send everybody who registers a quote to show the best deal available on their gas and electricity. If you decide to take up the offer you'll be helped through the switching process and be saving money in no time.

It's free to join the Switch'n'Save Offer and there is no risk or obligation. To get a quote tailored to your household please make sure you have your latest gas and/or electricity bills to hand. From one email address you can even register on behalf of up to 5 households who don't have a computer.

To register visit www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/switchnsave or ring 0300 5008080 quoting 'Switch'n'Save flyer' or call at the County Council Customer Service Point at 17b The Square, Retford on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am – 12.30pm and 1pm – 5pm.

Parish Council News

Notes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4th March 2013

Broadband Speed Improvements

Of the 42% of village residents who have responded to the survey 27% are committed to superfast broadband and 8% tentative. The project has an extension from the County Council and DEFRA until May 2013 so there is still time for you to respond if you have not already done so. This is important because the overall percentage of committed responses needs to be higher if the project is to succeed. If anyone is interested in helping with the project, the canvassing, or can offer expertise, please do not hesitate to come forward. We need to have the support of the community if we are to succeed.

Highways

The Highways Department will be asked to rectify broken railings and bollards at the bridge at Stokeham, a sunken and potholed section of road at Ashley Lane and blocked drains throughout the parish, particularly a couple of drains which appear to be completely blocked. A complete highway inspection at Grove will once again be requested.

Planning

The Council had no objections to applications to erect a cattle, fodder and machinery store at Skerrystone Farming, Gamston Wood and to demolish a dwelling and erect a new one at Tiffanys Home Farm access, Grove, although the Council would have preferred it to be made clearer which trees are to be felled and how many of them will be replaced. Bassetlaw District Council had advised that it will investigate claims of unauthorised development (the creation of an airstrip and associated noise nuisance) on land at Thorpe Farm, Thorpe Street, Headon. Planning applications can be viewed on Bassetlaw District Council's website: www.bassetlaw.gov.uk/planning. You can search for a location, village or a particular application number and view the application on-line. Its status will show whether it is in progress or decided.

Public Forum Session

The 10 minute session allows residents to speak to the Council before the start of the meeting. Following advice from the Notts Association of Local Councils, it was decided that once the meeting starts, it will only be suspended at the chairman's discretion to allow the public to speak and only then if the matter raised is considered to be urgent. Residents who wish to bring something to the Council's attention are urged to speak to a council member before the meeting as time at the meetings is limited.

Agenda Items

If you wish the parish council to include an item on the agenda, please contact a councillor or the chairman, giving as much background information as possible. Please note that the agenda is published a week prior to the meeting, therefore an early request for an agenda item is essential.

Next Meeting

Monday 8th April at 7.30pm at the Village Hall. The public forum will take place from 7.30pm until 7.40pm.

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Police Report

PC Bailey was unable to attend the meeting but had advised that 3 crimes had been reported in the last month: possession of cannabis on Clover Close Lane, Headon, a burglary at disused caravans on Ladywell Rise, Headon and the theft of a motor vehicle from Main Street, Grove.

PC Bailey also reported that the Community Speedwatch Team is now up and running and he has started to receive their findings for further contact with the drivers by the Police. When a pattern of offending begins to emerge he will look to come out and take some enforcement action.

PC Bailey can be contacted on 07910 336 844; email – Bill.Bailey@Nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111 - all calls are confidential and the caller may remain anonymous if desired. The non-emergency contact is 101 and this can be used anywhere in the country to contact local police for the area you are calling from. A call costs 15p regardless of length and whether from a landline or mobile.

How you can help prevent unwanted telephone sales calls

Government legislation from 1999 makes it unlawful to make direct marketing calls to individuals who have indicated that they do not want to receive such calls. To help make sure your telephone number is no longer available to organisations who may telephone you with offers and information you do not wish to receive you can register, free of charge, with the Telephone Preference Service by visiting www.tpsonline.org.uk and clicking on the link to register or by ringing 0845 070 0707 (local call rate). This information was supplied by Nottinghamshire Police who advise that registering could prevent you from receiving information which you would really like to have about relevant and worthwhile opportunities.

St Peter's Church

Raffle There will be a Grand Easter Raffle again this year. Once again, Janet has tickets and will try to get round to as many of you as possible. Please let her know if you could help sell tickets.

Wanted! Contributions to the chocolate Easter hamper will be most welcome! Phone Janet on 248282 if you have any contributions or could help.

Pot Luck Supper Instead of the Easter Feast this year, we are putting on a Pot Luck Supper. No menu—it is to be a surprise, but there will be choices of hot food! We hope that you will come and give it a try, and support the church at the same time. There will not be a set charge, but we are hoping that you will donate generously! The 200 Club Grand Draw will also take place during the evening.

Church spring clean We will be meeting at the church at 10am on Saturday April 20th to give the church a good clean. Please do consider joining us, even if for only 1/2 or 1 hour. It would give us a great boost to have some extra help! Anyone who can help should bring their own cleaning equipment.

Church service times

17 th March	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	Headon
24 th March (Palm Sunday)	10.30 am	Group Service	Headon
31 st March (Easter Sunday)	10.30 am	Group Holy Communion	East Drayton
7 th April	10.30 am	Group Holy Communion	East Markham

If there is no service in your own church do consider attending one in another of the Rivers Group Churches, you will always be made very welcome.

Holy Week Services

Wednesday 27 th March	Blessings of Oil at Southwell Minster		
Maundy Thursday 28 th March	7.00 pm	Bring and Share Supper	Grove
Good Friday 29 th March	10 am – Noon	Family Event	East Markham
Good Friday 29 th March	4:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	Headon
Saturday 30 th March	8:00 PM	Easter Eve Vigil	Askham
Easter Sunday 31 st March	10.30 am	Group Holy Communion	East Drayton

The Group Holy Communion service on Easter Day is preceded by breakfast at 8.30 am to which everyone is cordially welcomed.

Contact details for Rev. Julia Jesson: Telephone: 01777 870965

Village Hall

It's been a busy start to 2013 in the Village Hall! From Burns night, to "My Brilliant Divorce", to John Kirkpatrick's night of traditional music. All were very different events and attracted many guests. John Kirkpatrick in particular has a dedicated following and in the audience were people from Scunthorpe, Southwell, Retford and the surrounding area. Each event involved a hot supper, and thanks are due to those who helped prepare the delicious food. Given the cold weather, the hot food was especially welcome!

The **Cinema** showing on 6th April is "Silver Linings Playbook". This is an American romantic comedy-drama film directed by David O. Russell, from a screenplay by Russell, adapted from the novel of the same name by Matthew Quick.

