



*So now it's Christmas time again  
We want to send to you  
Our warmest Christmas wishes  
And a cheery New Year too.*

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**ASTWICK VALE BENEFICE**

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER 2018**

AYNHO-CROUGHTON-EVENLEY-FARTHINGHOE-HINTON-in the-HEDGES-STEANE

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- Sunday:** **AYNHO – Holy Communion – 11.0am**  
**December 2<sup>nd</sup>** (Sidespersons Mrs.Pusey Mrs.White )  
 Advent 1 Evenley 6.0pm TAIZE
  
- Sunday:** **AYNHO - Holy Communion - 11.0am**  
**December 9<sup>th</sup>** (Sidespersons – Mrs. Chong Mrs.Bellamy)  
 Advent 2 Croughton – 4.0pm Christingle Evenley 11.0am HC  
 Farthinghoe – 9.30am HC Hinton -10.0am MW
  
- Sunday:** **AYNHO – Lessons & Carols 5.0pm**  
**December 16<sup>th</sup>** (Sidespersons – Mrs Chong. Mrs.Pusey. Mrs.White. Mr.Sutton)  
 Advent 3 Hinton 11.0am HC Evenley 3.0pm Lessons & Carols  
 Farthinghoe 6.0pm Lessons & Carols
  
- Sunday:** **Benefice H.C. at Evenley 10.30am**  
**December 23<sup>rd</sup>** Hinton 6.0pm Lessons & Carols.  
**December 24<sup>th</sup>** Croughton 3.30pm Family Carols.  
 Farthinghoe 5.0pm Crib Service.  
**Midnight Communion** 11.0pm Hinton-in-the-Hedges.
  
- December 25<sup>th</sup>** **AYNHO – Holy Communion at 10.30am**  
 (Sidespersons:Mrs.Chong Mrs.White. Mr.Bellamy  
 Evenley – 10.0am All Age.
  
- December 30<sup>th</sup>** **CROUGHTON 10.a.m Holy Communion**

- Prayer Group** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm 16 The Butts
- Morning Bible Study** Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 10.15am Rose Cottage Banbury Rd
- Church Cleaning** Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> 9.45am onwards (note 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday)
- Bell Ringing** Tuesdays 7.30pm Evenley 1<sup>st</sup> Kings Sutton 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Aynho 3<sup>rd</sup> Croughton 5<sup>th</sup>
- Extra:** Weddings 1<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> & 8 bell practice (visitors) Sat. 29<sup>th</sup> 3 – 4.30pm

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**Information** about the life of our church - baptisms or wedding enquiries from:

**Church Warden: Graham Gibbs 01869 819727**

Sign up for our weekly service news and updates with “Pews News” on the subject line or just write in the message and be put on our weekly mailings.

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**Items for January 2019 - by or before 16<sup>th</sup> December please to:**  
**Sybil at No.32 Roundtown Tel:810692 Email: [syban@btinternet.com](mailto:syban@btinternet.com) (Vol.633)**  
**Or any comments re Newsletter to Sybil or Church Warden**

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## CHURCHWARDENS UPDATE.

Over thirty people from the benefice attended Simon's installation service on 5<sup>th</sup> November at his new parish of St Mary's Goldington near Bedford. We wish Simon and Heather all good wishes for the future as we turn to the important task of selecting a new incumbent for the Astwick Vale benefice.

The Churchwardens together with the Ministry and Lay teams under the direction of the Archdeacon are well into the process of considering a suitable new incumbent .

Being in an interregnum involves us all to some extent having to cope with changes and covering various functions we are not familiar with. We will do our best to keep things as routine as possible.

The failure of the Rectory office computer which was rather dated was not helpful but a new one has been procured and is now set up for our needs. Sorry about the reduced numbers of recent Pews News which was down to the computer difficulties.

I am aware, as are the lay team ,that many people contribute week in week out to "keep the show on the road" and it is appreciated.

**Graham Gibbs Churchwarden**

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### ROYAL BRITISH LEGION – POPPY APPEAL

A huge thank you to all you generous people in the village who supported the Poppy Appeal this year. Through the efforts of our team of ten collectors going "house to house" we raised £807, which is £125 more than 2017 – so thank you. The church collection at the Remembrance Service amounted to a further £327.

Again THANK-YOU - 100 Years on from the Armistice and Aynho does "remember"!!

### Remembrance in Aynho – A Thank You

In the last newsletter there was an article produced by Andrew Bellamy about a series of "Named Day" gatherings which took place in the Church to remember the 14 men of Aynho who lost their lives during The Great War. Over 14 days in the lead up to Remembrance Sunday Andrew outlined the story of each man including his family, where they lived and who they left behind. It brought into focus the real people behind the names and was a moving tribute to their sacrifice which we recalled a hundred years on. A lot of hard work went into undertaking the preparation for the Named days and it is only fitting that we publically acknowledge Andrew Bellamy's idea and contribution in helping us as community to understand more fully the soldiers and their families who made the ultimate sacrifice – Thank you.

## FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL.....

### Aynho Active Questionnaire

Aynho Parish council would like to thank the 115 responses to the questionnaire. The results of these are being analysed and will shape the way new and existing facilities are developed – further details will be released on the website.

### Aynho Shoppers' Bus

Aynho Parish Council and Kings Sutton Parish Council are delighted to be working in cooperation to provide a weekly service into Banbury up to the end of December 2018. Our local Parish Councils are continuing to explore longer term solutions for transport in the area. Any organisers or helpers please email [clerk@aynho.org](mailto:clerk@aynho.org)

Kings Sutton currently have a fortnightly shoppers' bus and this 50+ seater bus will start at the bus stop by Aynho Court.

Aynho Parish Council have approved and subsidising a 15-seater bus fortnightly till the end of the year.

Return fare £5.00 from Aynho (unfortunately bus passes cannot be accepted).

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
26	27	28	<b>29 BUS</b>	30	1 Dec	2
3	4	5	6	<b>7 BUS</b>	8	9
10	11	12	<b>13 BUS</b>	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	<b>21 BUS</b>	22	23
24	25 XMAS	26	<b>27 BUS</b>	28	29	30

### Timetable:

#### Thursdays:

9:20am Aynho – Bus Stop, Croughton Road (Cartwright side)

9:30am Kings Sutton

Travel to Banbury – request stops for Sainsburys & Horton

12:20pm Leave Banbury

12:45pm Aynho

#### Fridays:

10:25am Aynho – Bus Shelter

10:34am Kings Sutton – Bus Stop Astrop Rd

10:36am Kings Sutton – Banbury Lane Bus Shelter

10:47am Banbury – Sainsbury's Disabled Bay

10:50am Banbury – Opposite Horton Hospital

10:55am Banbury – The Old Post Office

11:00am Banbury – Calthorpe St, Bus Stand

#### Return:

1:35pm

1:26pm

1:24pm

1:13pm

1:10pm

1:05pm

1:00pm

## **From your Parish Council re Streetlights - Your Chance to have a say.....**

The Parish Council is responsible for the provision and maintenance of the 37 streetlights that are situated within the Village. The lights are provided for pedestrians. We pay for their electricity and maintenance from the Aynho Precept (part of your Council Tax Bill) and spend just under £1950 in electricity and £450 in routine maintenance plus additional costs if current fittings fail. This represents about 10% of our budget. The Parish Council intends to replace the current lights for two reasons:

1. Most of the fittings within the village are old and utilitarian and as such not particularly in keeping with a Conservation Village. There is also a mix of fittings and light colours.
2. Modern street lights, using LED technology, are about 80-90% cheaper to operate. New lights could also be top down, thus reducing light pollution and have the ability to be dimmed further in the small hours. Potentially, if all streetlights were replaced with LEDs we could save £1560 - £1755 per year in electricity costs with further savings in maintenance costs. Additionally LED life expectancy is longer than current bulbs which will reduce maintenance costs.

The PC proposes to:

1. Replace all lights (either wall mounted or on posts) with replacement LED lights. These will shine the light downwards to help minimise light pollution and will be fitted with drivers which reduce the lights power during the small hours - further reducing electricity costs and light pollution.
2. All lights within the Conservation Area will be of a Heritage Style.
3. All lights outside the Conservation Area will be an appropriate 'modern' fitting
4. Where lights are currently fitted residents homes with wall brackets these will be replaced in situ with the option of a blank backing plate to reduce light pollution towards the home.
5. The light in Skittle Alley will be reinstated.
6. It is proposed to discontinue the light placed on the end house of The Hill.
7. At this stage it is not intended to add to or re-site the current lighting stock.

How will this project be paid for:.

1. The estimated cost, having had initial quotes, is £50K.
2. The PC has ear-marked reserves in the order of £24K.
3. The shortfall of £26K would be taken out via a 10 year public loan.
4. The annual repayments on this loan are estimated at £2.9K a year
5. The expected annual savings will be about £2K a year
6. The £900 shortfall will be met out of existing revenues and there is no intention to specifically increase the precept to cover this project.
7. Additional funding may be available from SNC which would reduce the loan requirements.

Timeframe:

1. A draft statement of requirement is currently being prepared at present to obtain final quotes.
2. The PC is currently seeking approval to apply for the loan. (Please note this is the permission to apply for the loan and is not the loan itself).
3. It is intended to finalise plans by 30 Apr 2019 and given final approval
4. Works to be carried out in Summer 2019.

More details will be published on the Aynho website including images of the lights to be used. If you have any comments or observations on this project you are asked to email them to [clerk@aynho.org](mailto:clerk@aynho.org) or send them in writing to The Clerk, 3 School End by 5<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2019.

## Speeding in and around Aynho

The Police 'Safer Roads' initiative has surveyed Banbury and Croughton Roads and they are continuing to develop their approach. Updates are available via [www.aynho.org](http://www.aynho.org).

The Police have commented that the level of non-compliance on the Charlton Road past Butts Close may be due to 'look' and 'feel' of the environment relative to the speed limit. We would therefore like residents to write to the Clerk to support engineering measures or changes to the road environment to ensure it better matches the 30mph speed limit.

## Planning Applications:

**S/2018/2488/PA** College Farm, Charlton Road, Aynho, OX17 3AW.

Determination as to whether prior approval is required (under Class R of Part 3 of the above Order) for the change of use of an agricultural building to flexible use (Use Class B1) in respect of: the transport and highways impacts of the development; noise impacts; contamination risks in relation to the building; flooding risks in relation to the building.

Applications can be searched on South Northants planning register <http://snc.planning-register.co.uk/>, close neighbours will be consulted direct from SNC planning department or look out for the 'Site Notice' displayed on the street. For efficiency reasons SNC no longer provide paper plans to Aynho Parish Council.

The next scheduled council meeting is to be held at the Village Hall on Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2018 at 7:30pm.

## Contact details

Chris Wilson is the Parish Clerk and can be contacted on email [clerk@aynho.org](mailto:clerk@aynho.org) or phone on 07887548774 or you can find us on the website [www.aynho.org](http://www.aynho.org), Facebook and Twitter.

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## Aynho Christmas "Carol-Oke"

Get into the real swing of Christmas in the village this year with an entertaining Christmas Eve gathering of mulled wine, mince pies and musical merriment!

This year's Aynho Christmas carols will be in the **Village Hall at 4.00pm on 24<sup>th</sup> December**. Come and grease your festive cogs with mulled wine and mince pies, whilst enjoying musical entertainment from some fabulous talent we have hidden here in Aynho.

Once you've warmed up we'll all get stuck into some hearty renditions of festive favourites – everything from traditional carols to Rudolph and Bing Crosby (suggestions and requests welcome!)

Come in your best Christmas jumper or full festive outfit – there'll be prizes for the best costumes (kids and adults!). Whether you want to sing your heart out, or just tap your feet along at the back, we'd love the whole village to join the fun.

There's no charge, but we will be collecting donations for The Beacon Centre in Banbury, playing a vital role in supporting the homeless on our doorsteps. (If you can't attend on Christmas Eve but want to donate we will be setting up an online JustGiving page too).

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**Croughton Cinema:** December 7<sup>th</sup>. "The Man who invented Christmas" a story about Charles Dickens

*All for your entertainment.....*

**A.R.M.S**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm Village Hall**



To call Lee's presentation at our November meeting a cascade would be an understatement. It was a positive cataract of twenty-two different items ranging from Frankie Laine, Charlie Rich, Ella Fitzgerald, Perry Como to Henry Mancini, Danny Elfman (Edward Scissorhands) to Barry Manilow, Michael Holliday, The Shangri-las, Liberace and many others. Congratulation Lee on a dazzling programme..... and a warm welcome to our friends from Croughton.

The presentation this month will be given by Douglas. **Contact: Bob Mann 810264**

**PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm at**



The November meeting was a change from the usual. An evening of arranged co-operation by A.D.D.P.S and Banbury Camera Club with very interesting speakers. One truly fascinating talk was on restoring old photographs which had faded or been damaged. Examples of restoration of old Victorian pictures were shown. One period showing many portraits of WW1 men in uniform taken before they went off to war.

**Contact: Paul Brewerton Tel: 01295 276949 [paul.brewerton@btinternet.com](mailto:paul.brewerton@btinternet.com)**

**WRITER'S GROUP Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 10.0am-12.30 in Village Hall**



In November we heard some interesting stories about "people we had known" or "wished we had known" followed by our Anniversary Lunch at "The Cartwright Hotel" greatly enjoyed by us all. This coming month our traditional anonymous pieces including "Christmas from the elves & reindeers point of view" or "our most surprise Christmas present" followed by "Let's guess the author"

**Contact: Keith McClellan 810346**

**AYNHO GARDENING CLUB- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays – none in December.**

It was lovely to see so many of you at the AGM this year and thank you all for being such good sports and taking part in the quiz, which we hope you enjoyed. Thank you too, for the wonderful contributions to the buffet table that you all brought – no one went hungry!

The first event of 2019 will be held on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January** (second Wednesday of the month as always) when Zoe Woodward will be giving us a talk entitled 'Introduction to Dahlias'. Her talk will start at 7.30pm and we will be ready to re-new your annual Membership (£10) prior to the talk.

In the meantime **the Committee wish all the Members of the Aynho Gardening Club a Very Happy Christmas.**

With best wishes Annabel Bellamy (01869 – 810847)

**KNIT & STITCH (over a cuppa)– Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2.0-4.0pm at 2,Portway Gardens**



(This little snowman has filled his tummy with A Chocolate Orange!! )

**Contact: Glenwys 810880**

**AYNHO W.I. – Friday December 7<sup>th</sup>. PARTY TIME**

It's Christmas Party time – but before that we must apologise for disappointing members and visitors for not being able to stick to our promised November event of a “Food & Drink” talk with samples from our Brackley Waitrose experts, unfortunately “things went wrong” for them but they promise they will be with us next year. Instead the talk was entitled “So This Is Christmas” from a Mr Terry Penny and do so hope you all enjoyed it; cannot report on it for this December News as the publication date is before the meeting! Back to our Christmas Party – we are having our usual spread of meats plus hot jacket potatoes, salads and all the trimmings plus scrumptious deserts, also raffle and surprise event. The party is always an enjoyable time when we are joined with our partners, friends and guests and is in fact a showcase for WI hospitality. So we will all have fun. Just leaves one thing more to be said from the WI and that is “Have a Wonderful & Happy Christmas”

**Contact: Mrs.B.Watkins 811152**

**AYNHO HISTORY SOCIETY- Last Wednesday of each month. 7.30pm in the Village Hall  
(No meeting this month)                      Queries to Peter Cole 01869 811261**

**AYNHO HEALTH WALKS** – do come and join us at our usual time of 10.0am  
Never mind the weather just enjoy the wonderful display of autumn colours.  
A qualified leader is there for each of the 3 lengths of walks, and refreshment afterwards.  
**Contact: Keith McClellan 810346 or Kathy White 810418**



**WINTER LUNCH CLUB**

**Dates: Thursdays: 6<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Time: 12.15pm-1.30pm    Where: Village Hall**



No booking is required, just turn up! However, if you are going to arrive with a group of ‘extras’ it is always helpful to have a little notice so that there will be enough food. On 20<sup>th</sup> December we will have Christmas goodies on the menu.

We may also take a little break of a couple of weeks over the Christmas/New Year holiday period so please watch the Newsletter/village website for January 2019 dates.

Winter Lunch Club is a community-based lunch offering any villager a home-cooked meal at a very reasonable price in a warm, friendly atmosphere in the village hall most Thursdays October-end of March.

**Amanda**

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**NEW YOGA GROUP in Aynho Village Hall. Anyone interested in joining our Yoga Group every Tuesday morning from 11.0am to Noon?**



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**Contact KAY for more information on 03301136008 or [kayno178@gmail.com](mailto:kayno178@gmail.com)**

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## **"A CHRISTMAS DAY INVITATION"**



For the final event in 2018's "Community Matters" project – we are inviting Aynho residents and their family members to join us in the village hall on Christmas Day. From 12 noon until 5.0pm we'll provide a traditional Christmas lunch, some light entertainment in the form of a quiz, or game - some music and chat.



There will be a charge of £10 per person which will include nibbles, main course and pudding and soft drinks. People can bring their own alcohol to share if they wish.



This is primarily intended for those who might be spending Christmas Day on their own, a couple who might like some additional company and smaller family groups who might like to socialise on this special day.



Anyone who would like to recycle gifts/chocolates/drinks can bring them along for a raffle.

*We can provide transport if you cannot get to the Hall.*

If you don't wish to have lunch just come along during the afternoon to have a chat to some of your fellow residents. We might even watch the Queen's Christmas Message!



For more details, to ask questions or to book a place **please contact Kay or Andy** on 0330 113 6008 or email [kaynho178@gmail.com](mailto:kaynho178@gmail.com) or text 07980 546332 or drop in to 11, Portway to let us know.



We must have numbers for catering please by December 14<sup>th</sup> but if you have an unexpected change of plans after that then please do let us know and we'll do our best to accommodate you.

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Please quote "**Apricot**" to enable your discount.

To book Tel: 01869 337833 or online at [www.banburyhair.co.uk](http://www.banburyhair.co.uk) or simply call in and have a chat (and a coffee)

### **JBNR Dog Walking Service**

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**At the end of another year I would like to express grateful thanks to those  
22 kind people who have delivered this Newsletter to you each month.**

**Sybil**

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO YOU ALL**

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