



The Witham Word

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Message from the Editor

South Witham First Responders

The South Witham group of First Responders has been wound up. The final few responders, and other group members met for the last time a few weeks back, with the community liaison officer from LIVES headquarters to finalise the closure of the group. All equipment has been returned to headquarters, and will be reallocated to other groups in the county. This does **not** mean there will be no cover for the village, just that cover will come from neighbouring groups, such as Stamford and Grantham. Thank you to everyone who was a part of the group and gave their time voluntarily. Also a big thankyou to anyone who has supported the group at the monthly quizzes at The Blue Cow Inn.

If you have anything for inclusion in this magazine, I am able to accept it as a PDF file, a Microsoft Word or Powerpoint file, or any equivalent. The magazine itself is published using Microsoft Publisher .

South Witham Community Group

(aka Joan, Sandra and Fran!)

Due to personal commitments the Community Group has reluctantly decided to take a break from running the fortnightly Coffee Mornings at the village hall during the winter of 2017-2018.

We are hoping to restart in the spring of 2018.

Many thanks to everyone who has supported us over the past 4½ years.

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SOUTH WITHAM KURLING CLUB 2017 FINALS

The South Witham Kurling Club held the club finals on Wednesday 13th September when the club's 9th birthday was celebrated, and at the same event Shaun Mason from The Angel Inn presented the club with The Angel's generous sponsorship cheque. The afternoon was well attended by club members who enjoyed sausage rolls, mince pies and (too much) cake together with a glass of 'fizz'. The winner of the Singles finals was Brian Fry, with Mick Walton being runner-up, and the winners of the Doubles were Ken and Maureen Reader, with runners-up Ilona Franz and Peter Hemsall.

The Kurling club would welcome new members and anyone interested would be most welcome at the South Witham Village Hall any Tuesday afternoon 2pm – 3.30pm or Wednesday afternoon 2pm – 4pm. For further information please contact Jane 01572 767167.



SKDC has launched the Big Clean

This is initially a 12 week street cleaning programme for the District that started in August

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www.southkesteven.gov.uk/skbigclean
or by calling 01476 406066

Also if you are willing to help with the clean up, please visit the website for further details.

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or

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For further information please contact: Jane – 01572 767167

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safety of all in the village as the pc has recently received reports of a
dog (off a lead) biting a resident at the recreation ground.
We also ask all dog owners/walkers to remove dog poo and place it
(bagged) in any bin.
Thank you for your help with both these matters.

South Witham Social Networks

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The village has a Twitter account. Follow
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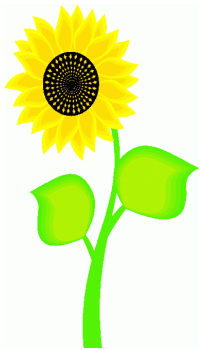
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The July meeting was held at the home of Mr and Mrs Spiers, and first of all we had a tour of their beautiful garden.

We went indoors where we discovered that Margaret had most kindly provided some very tasty snacks. Everyone thoroughly

enjoyed a pleasant and relaxing social evening, talking about various gardening topics.

Ann and Keith were the hosts for the August meeting which was the Summer Party and Plant Competition. Our hosts laid on a two-course meal with choices of poached salmon or leg of lamb, as well as a vegetarian option, accompanied by a selection of garden vegetables. This was followed by dessert which was a choice of chocolate mousse and raspberries, strawberry cream jelly or homemade rice pudding.

This was all served with a choice of wines. Ann had also designed and made some lovely personalised place settings.

Margaret once again provided the members with an interesting garden orientated quiz which was won by Gill. A miniature sunflower was this year's competition plant, which was won by Patricia, with a remarkable specimen!

A very big thank you to Ann and Keith for such a delicious meal and for making it such a wonderful summer party.

Upcoming events

- 26th September Our speaker will be Mr. Robert Holland who will be giving a talk about the R.N.L.I.
- October. The meeting will see Patricia and Russ Yates speaking about Chatsworth House and Gardens – 450 years of history

For further information about our meetings please contact Patsi on 07880 677538. Visitors are always welcome.



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South Witham Garden Club (SWGK)

Meetings held last Tuesday of the month - new members welcome
Patsi: 07880 677538

South Witham Ladies Welcome Club (SWLWC)

Meetings held 2nd Tuesday of the month
Jenny Pacey - 01572 767783
Jennie Keech - 01572 767648

South Witham Vegans & Vegetarians (SWV&V)

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South Witham Ladies Welcome Club

As another "Summer" draws to an end, September seems to be bringing 'April' showers. At least we are not experiencing the freak weather many parts of the world are having, earthquakes in Italy and Cuba, devastating hurricanes and floods in the Caribbean and America, we really shouldn't grumble about our weather.

On Monday 24th July, 18 members and friends went to Bakewell in Derbyshire for the day with A.C. Williams coaches where we saw the beautiful river Wye and the unusual padlock covered Wier Bridge. Had lunch and strolled round this quaint town, before a scenic return trip home.

Our August meeting was a talk by Dr. John Sutton entitled "Votes for women - Suffragette movement". Dr. Sutton gave a full account of how and when the Suffragettes were formed in 1903, their aim was to gain votes for women. Founder member Emmeline Pankhurst had 3 daughters, Chrystabelle and Sylvia, also very active suffragettes, and Adele who went to Australia. Other prominent members Annie Kenny - considered the 'working class' leader, Flora Drummond - known as the 'general' and of course Emily Wilding Davidson. Dr. Sutton had the recent TV film presented by Clare Balding, showing Emily being knocked down and killed by King George V's horse Amner at the Epsom Derby on June 8th 1913. It is now thought that, rather than deliberately attempting suicide, she was actually trying to throw a purple/white/green silk scarf onto the horse. Rather than making the hoped-for headlines the following day this was only reported as a minor accident. The campaign of civil disobedience included harassment of politicians and window smashing, firstly in London on 1st July 1908. On Black Friday 18th November 1910 police began "manhandling" women protesters and many arrests were made. However the campaign was suspended with the outbreak of World War 1. On the 28th March 1917 women over 30 were granted the vote, but it was not until 1928 that all men and women over 21 got the vote. Dr. Sutton gave us lots more facts about the Suffragettes accompanied by photos of the time. On September 12th the speaker at our meeting was Ian Haggerty, who has researched the lives of the 'Kennedy' family for years.

Patrick Joseph Kennedy and his 3 sisters were among 150,000 emigrants to America during the Irish Potato famine in the 1850's. His eldest son Joseph P. Kennedy was born in 1888. J. P. married Rose E. Fitzgerald, a devout catholic, and had 9 children between 1915 and 1932. Joseph was obsessed with making money, became a Bank

Manager by the age of 25, going on to play the stock market and making millions of dollars. He became friends with Gaylord Stone and met Franklin D. Roosevelt, who through various "deals" he helped into the Presidency. In 1938 he became Ambassador to England, having two of his daughters presented at Court, however with the prospect of war returned with his family to the USA, where he went into real estate, making even more millions. Joseph was known to be a serial womanizer having numerous affairs, including a long term relationship with the actress Gloria Swanson.

All of his Nine children went on to live interesting lives.

Joseph Jr. (the eldest) joined Bomber Command and completed 25 missions, but in 1944 (on a secret mission) his plane exploded in mid-air, killing all on board.

Rosemary had mild learning difficulties, in 1941 her father had an American "doctor" operate on her brain which caused her to become little more than a 2 year old, although she did live another 64 years - died 2005.

Kathleen married protestant Billy Hartendon, against Catholic family wishes, he was killed in action in 1944. Kathleen died in a plane crash a year later.

Eunice did lots of social work, including establish the "Special Olympics" in the USA - died 2009.

Patricia married Peter Lawford, became one of the Hollywood set and a famous Socialite - died 2006.

Robert had 11 children, became a politician, opposing apartheid and investigating the Mafia. Possibly due to these beliefs was assassinated in 1968.

Jean US Ambassador to Ireland 1993/98 is still alive aged 81.

Edward Attorney general in 1966, and a senator. His hopes of running for President dashed due to scandals in his private life - died 2009.

John Fitzgerald JFK suffered back problems all his life, taking pain killers, drugs and alcohol to excess for many years. Like his father, he was another womanizer, famously having an affair with Marilyn Monroe. Subsequently it was rumoured her death was not suicide, but possibly arranged by JFK's 'men' to prevent more scandal. He was assassinated in Dallas by Lee Harvey Oswald in 1963, however this has always been disputed. A cover-up followed his death, and to this day has not been resolved

For further information about our Club please contact :-

Jennie Keech - 01572767648 or

Jenny Pacey - 01572767783

GARDENING TIPS from David Penny

If you want to be happy for a short time, get drunk; if you want to be happy for a long time, fall in love; if you want to be happy for ever, take up gardening! This is apparently an old Chinese saying and whilst I am definitely not suggesting the first part of the saying I do agree with the last two suggestions. The saying was on the cover of a thank you card 'She who must be obeyed' and I received for a hosting a dinner enjoyed with good friends in relaxed circumstances at 'Penny Towers'

Now not only is the sentiment of the saying thought provoking but also the act of writing a thank you card is very civilised, well mannered and well just kind. Taking the time to choose a card that relates to the recipient, writing it and posting it is not just well mannered it is much more than that it shows a true care and is generous of spirit. To receive a thank you card or note through the post is really uplifting and I commend it to you all, go on admit it when was the last time you sent a thank you card or message for a meal, a present or a kindness no matter how trivial. To send takes a moment to receive means the world! On a different and entirely more sensible subject I hope you are looking forward to find time to admire the spectacular show we are expecting this year from the trees and bushes as they divested their leaves. Each year we revel in the beauty of the autumn colours, spectacular pigment explosions of red, purple, orange and yellow the last time we had such a glorious show. Thank you leaves for storing up the sugars in the leaves just so we may enjoy a marvellous autumn extravaganza thank you Mother Nature once again, how very kind of you. Take a charabanc to the woods to enjoy it.

Happy gardening

JOBS FOR THE MONTH

Be sure to lift tender perennials such as pelargoniums before they are killed by frost.

Plant a few patio tubs with bulbs/pansies to provide winter colour throughout the dark months.

Heuchera is a great plant in a pot throughout winter and they come in a multitude of colours with great names, try 'Rhubarb and Custard'.

Valuable terracotta pots can be damaged by hard winters so protect them with fleece or put them under cover.

Collect all fallen leaves from the soil and lawn to avoid disease attacking the lawn.

Put those collected leaves into black bags or compost bins. Seal the bags and let them rot down over winter. Rotted leaf compost is one of the finest and is free.

Pick autumn-fruiting raspberries. Leave the canes until late winter before cutting away at ground level.

Protect pot grown fruit trees and bushes from frost by moving them under cover.

Plant tulips I suggest 150mm (6") depth.

Check house gutters and greenhouse gutters for leaves etc, and clean out.

Hardy fuchsia should be cut down to almost soil level and the resultant crowns protected by a thick layer of bark or compost to protect them from frost.

Sow Hardy varieties of broad beans under cloches for an early spring crop.

Ensure the greenhouse is well ventilated on those lovely winter warm days but close it up at night.

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Parish Council meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of the month, 7.30 in the Village Hall All Meetings are open to the public. Any item to be discussed by the Parish Council must be received a fortnight before by the Parish Clerk, Mrs H Sandon, 53 Pridmore Road, Corby Glen. NG33 4JN. Tel 01476 552166 or email parish.clerk@pc.south-witham.org.uk. If draft minutes of the previous meetings are not published in the Witham Word then they can be found on the village website, notice boards throughout the village, both shops and both pubs. Should you require a hard copy then please contact the Parish Clerk. Many thanks.

Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5th Sept 2017 at 7.30pm

Present 17-110 Cllr K Jolley (Chair), Cllr F Parish Cllr M Kinning, Cllr J Oldfield, Cllr A Smith, Cllr C v Straubenzee, Cllr A White, LCCllr/ SKDCllr R Adams, Mrs H Sandon (parish clerk), 2 VHMC members.

Apologies for Absence 17-111 Cllr Hodgkin, Cllr C Ashton, Cllr S Lansdowne, Cllr Ray Robinson

Receive Declaration of Interests 17-112 none

Public Forum 17-113

Two members of the VHMC attended the meeting, Mike Kelly (new Chairperson) and Jo Southwell (Secretary), explained that three VHMC members are retiring at Christmas and so they are seeking new members as with their own personal jobs to do also, are very stretched. There are only three or four people to do all the work / functions / hiring of the VH currently. They have been asking around for new members, without which they cannot continue. PC suggested they put an ad. on village notice board / website/ WW seeking new members and also agreed to work with the VHMC to try and help keep the VH running.

The VHMC members also updated the PC on the details re. the hire of the VH / rec field for a Motorcycling Event Summer 2018.

Report from LCCllr Bob Adams 17-114 Cllr Adams – discussion took place re. the Greenacres Planning Matter, see Planning Matters 17-118 b)SKDC planning permissions granted/refused ii) S17/1171 below.

Notes of the PC monthly meeting held on the 4th Jul 2017 17-115

The notes of the meeting were approved by the Council and signed by the Chair in acceptance as minutes.

Financial Matters 17-116

a) Monthly Accounts SWPC total bank balance £19987.44, BMM £19714.73, Play project £272.71. Income received; 1) allotment income £15.00 Payments; chqs issued ; Aug - 1) Helen Sandon (parish clerk Jul pay/exps) £483.95, 2) Janine Costello (Jul litter picking) £210.00, 3) Webster grass (May/Jun) £249.60, 4) Tracy Stafford (cemetery grass May/Jun) £180.00.

Sept – 1) DGM Electrical Ltd (emergency lighting/ repairs) £1020.00, 2) Helen Sandon (parish clerk Aug pay/exps, includ. £9.47 refund to Jim Oldfield for cemetery lock / Krystal hosting £71.99) £558.31, 3) Janine Costello (Aug litter picking) £210.00, 4) Tracy Stafford (cemetery grass Jul/ Aug) £180.00, 5) Playsafety Ltd

(Rospa annual inspection) £168.00, 6) Grant Thornton (Audit 2016/17) £240.00, 7) Chris Cunningham (bus shelter clean) £20.00.

b) EOY 2016/17 External Audit completed by Grant Thornton 17/8/17 - matters reported none. Other matters not affecting their opinion -not to publish the notice setting out the period for exercise of public rights before accounting statements approved and not to give period to inspect longer than timescale prescribed. Clerk to display notice of conclusion of audit as required.

c) Witham Word grant The PC considered the request and agreed a grant of £300, Clerk to send chq to WW Treasurer.

Clerk's and Councillors' reports on ; 17-117

a) Allotments, Cllrs van Straubenze/ Oldfield Various competitions running- best allotment, tallest sunflower and heaviest pumpkin, with trophies to be presented at the church Harvest Festival.

b) Village Hall

i) Electrical works DGM Electrical Ltd have completed the install of new emergency lighting to bring VH in line with Regs and repaired other faulty lighting as per agreed quotation.

ii) Other matters VH heating to be checked, Cllr Jolley to arrange.

c) Road Safety Issues, Cllr Parish

i) Interactive sign Road Safety Committee had met and agreed that it would like to purchase a Unipart Dorman DF11 sign, with data recording facility (using Bluetooth) at a cost of £2491 (LRSP approved). They have secured funding of £2k towards this from a local business and propose to purchase two brackets (£57 each) for ease of mounting initially. PC agreed all of the above and to fund the difference, Cllr Parish to arrange, clerk to add to insurance policy once purchased.

ii) Other Village troughs to be painted this month and 30mph stickers to be purchased. PC agreed to buy 100 stickers initially and to sell them in the village shop (s) for 50p each, idea being for people to put on side of wheelie bins, as visual speeding deterrent on bin days, Cllr Parish/ Clerk to sort. Bollards on Broadgate Rd verge sides near A1 in need of repair – Highways England replied that as protected verge with environmental interest (crested newts/ wildflowers) they are consulting with the Environment Team before taking action, clerk to further chase.

d) Lottery Grant for Activities, Cllr Parish

Cllr Parish asked if the PC would agree to backing the Sports Activities Grant Funding application this year, PC agreed, Cllr Parish to arrange.

e) Solar street lighting options (High Street to Church St & Wellfield Close to Templars Way), Cllr Jolley

LCC Street Lighting reply to PC permission request to install solar lighting at this location - as not adopted Highway, no input/ involvement from them, they suggest we ensure there is adequate Public Liability insurance, which there is. Agreed by PC to draw up spec/ plan of lighting proposal and run it via Highways Dept anyway, Cllr Jolley to do this and to pass to Cllr White, so he may show proposal to resident whose garden backs onto jitty at this location.

f) Harold Rd, grass maintenance, clerk Clerk received reply from Conroy Construction advising it sold this strip of land to Woodland Property Services Ltd. Woodland since replied to clerk that they are looking into this matter, clerk to further chase.

g) Monthly play area inspection, Cllr Oldfield

i) Rospa Annual inspection Report received, equipment requiring attention - toddler play surfaces, being dealt with, see note below. Basketball sur-

face needs repair - to be looked at by PC. Goals - undertake risk assessment / secure.

ii) Monthly inspection/ repairs Cllr Oldfield to order materials to repair play surface/ do repair this month.

h) Future play equipment – ideas / funding - Cllr Ashton In the absence of Cllr Ashton, no update on this item.

Planning Matters 17-118

a) New planning applications received by SKDC for Parish Council comment after publication of the agenda

none

b) SKDC planning permissions granted/refused

i) S17/1054 Mr Andrew Millmore, Coverley Barn, Church St, fell multi stemmed Sycamore, reduction of 1 branch Scots Pine and reduction of Horse Chestnut trees x 7 by 10% -work allowed by SKDC.

ii) S17/1171 Mr J Rhodes, Greenacres Broadgate Rd, prior notification of a change of use from existing B8 storage building to a dwelling – SKDC determination as to whether the prior approval of details is required - details not required 10/8/17, full details re. conditions to be met by applicant on this notice.

iii) S16/2399 Mr James Eldrin, land off Hill View Rd, erection of 5 dwellings, permission refused by SKDC on 28/4/17, appeal made by applicant to the Secretary of State against this decision.

Mobile Chip Van 17-119 Resident complaint received regarding the mobile chip van that stops outside the Water Lane Shop on a Weds eve, ie. noise of engine / smell upsetting their enjoyment of sitting outside – PC feel this is a great service to the village and would not want to lose this, so all cllrs in agreement not to take this complaint any further.

Jitty (Blue Cow to Church St) vegetation 17-120

Clerk asked to write to resident whose ivy/ brambles are growing into jitty, plus owner of fence backing onto jitty as in a dangerous condition.

Also, other properties on Moor Lane, Troughton Walk, Rutland Close, Thistleton Lane, North Witham Rd and the Parochial Church Council (re. North Witham Rd cemetery) – all re. overgrown vegetation. Other public areas requiring attention have been reported to SKDC Big Clean by Cllr Parish.

Correspondence 17-121 South West Lincs Clinical Commissioning Group- Sustainability and Transformation Plan overview to groups, LCC temporary road closures Morkery Lane for essential maintenance works by Kier Highways Ltd 24/8 -11/9/17.

Appointment of third member 17-122 Cllr Parish
Date of next meeting 17-123 Tues 3rd Oct 2017 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

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Messy Church

In October we are starting Messy Church in South Witham on a monthly basis. What is Messy Church? I hear you ask! Messy Church is church for all the family to be part of, young and old! Each session offers crafts and games with a theme, and at the end of the session everyone comes together for a short act of worship based on the crafts. It is not a children's club, but something for all the family to take part in. The first session will be on October 7th, from 9.30 until 11.30. As well as the crafts, there will be refreshments available throughout the morning. So even if you want to come and chat while the activities are taking place or just have refreshments that's fine too!

We are also looking for helpers, so if you would like to help please contact me, you will find my details in these pages.

We look forward to welcoming you to Messy Church in October!

Remembrance Sunday
 Cottesmore Military Wives Choir will be joining us for our Remembrance Day commemoration on November 12th, gathering at the memorial in the churchyard for a 10.55am start, followed by a service in church.

Rev Graham.

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Monthly Rota for Readers and Vergers
 at St John the Baptist Church
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1st Sunday of each month
 Reader Chris Medcalf
 Verger Hannah Godbert

2nd Sunday of each month
 Reader Peter Ball
 Verger Chris Medcalf

3rd Sunday of each month
 Reader Alex van Straubenzee
 Verger Gwen Peasgood

4th Sunday of each month
 Reader Mike Swatton
 Verger Chris Medcalf



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Morning Prayer is said every Wednesday at Castle Bytham at 10am. Whilst the church roof is being repaired we are holding it in various places, please call me for details. Many thanks Rev Graham

Church Services for the group October 2017

	1st October Trinity 16	8th October Trinity 17	15th October Trinity 18	22nd October Trinity 19	29th October Bible Sunday
Little Bytham St. Medards & St Gildards	9.00am Holy Communion		11.00am Sunday School 6.00pm Evensong		
Castle Bytham St. James		9.00am Holy Communion		11.00am Morning Praise	10.30am Group Holy Communion
Careby St. Stephens			9.00am Holy Communion		
Creeton St. Peter	6.00pm Compline			9.00am Holy Communion	
North Witham St Marys		11.00am Family Communion			
South Witham St. John the Baptist	11.00am Holy Communion	6.00pm Evening Prayer	11.00am Holy Communion	11.00am Family Service	
Readings	Philip 2:1-13 Matt 21:23-32	Philip 3:4b-14 Matt 21:33-46	Philip 4:1-9 Matt 22:1-14	1 Thess 1:1-10 Matt 22:15-22	Col 3:12-17 Matt 24:30-35

Church Services for the Group November 2017

	5th November All Saints	12th November Remembrance	19th November 2 before Advent	26th November Christ the King	
Little Bytham St. Medards & St Gildards		9.00am Communion + 10.15 Remembrance	11.00am Sunday School 6.00pm Evensong		
Castle Bytham St. James	9.00am Holy Communion			11.00am Family Service	
Careby St. Stephens			9.00am Holy Communion		
Creeton St. Peter	6.00pm Compline			9.00am Holy Communion	
North Witham St Marys					
South Witham St. John the Baptist	11.00am Holy Communion	10.55am Communion + Remembrance	11.00am Holy Communion	11.00am Morning Praise	
Readings	Heb. 12:18-24 Matt 5:1-12	1 Thess 4:13-18 Matt 25:1-13	1 Thess 5:1-11 Matt 25:14-30	Eph 1:15-23 Matt 25:31-46	

“Change”

Summer is over, and autumn is here! Although there is something special about all of the seasons, I think autumn sunshine is golden and has a way of enhancing the colours of all that we see around us, and of course we have the reds, yellows and browns of the trees and plants to compliment the light! It also means that we have cooler evenings and mornings, plus the light dies away very quickly.

Sometimes it feels like everything is starting to close down ready for the winter months, but of course life gets busier as the children are back at school and some are preparing for the Christmas season, as the cards and alike start appearing in the shops. Harvest Festivals have now been celebrated, and we look forward to celebrating All Saints, Bonfire Night and beyond.

I have always liked history, and as a member and minister of the church, I am always aware of the thousands of people who have worshipped in our six parish churches over the centuries, and the ministers who have led those acts of worship. All different, all individual in their ways and characteristics, and all very unique!

We all have a great tradition to follow, and should be grateful for the legacy we have been left by those who have gone before us in faithfulness and trust for the future generations! We are now one of those future generations, and I hope that we are one that is building a legacy for the generations to come. It is sometimes difficult to see where those future generations will come from as we look at the world around us and see the disruption to peaceful lives and

nations, through conflict, war and threats to peace. We, as the present generation, have a responsibility to make sure that the baton we currently carry is passed on to those who are younger than us!

As we get older then we find it more and more difficult to accept change and understand why there has to be change. I always think of the hymn-writers when we sing in church, and looking at the dates when some of our most famous hymn-writers like Charles Wesley were alive, I try and understand that in his day the words and tunes that we now sing were very new and “progressive” when they were written! Yet some of our most-loved hymns were written two or three hundred years ago! (I wonder if some of our modern hymns and songs will still be sung in two or three hundred years.) Some of the ideas and styles written now are perhaps alien to us, but nonetheless we have to make progress in order to attract the younger generations to God and his love for us!

We may like the comfort of what we know, but sometimes we need to push ourselves outside of that comfort-zone! May we have the courage to push ourselves, so that the legacy we leave will last for generations to come!

With God’s blessing
 Rev. Graham

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Saturday 11th November

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