

CLIFTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

SUMMER



2018

CVRA VILLAGE DIARY

CLIFTON VILLAGE MUSIC FESTIVAL 13th – 14th July 2018
St Mary's Church 7.30pm

CANDLELIT DINNER **AUTUMN 2018**
St Mary's Clifton date to be announced

CHRISTMAS TREE AND CAROL 2nd December 2018
Cross Hill by the Christmas Tree 4pm

CHRISTMAS PARTY 9th December 2018
Village Hall 12.30pm

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Clifton Village Residents Association Committee



Chair
Pat Rice



Treasurer
Helen Huffer



Secretary
Graeme Barker

Committee Members: Glenys Blacknell, Philip Bull, Kath Kay, Ed Peterson, James Royston and John Woodall

www.clifton-village.org.uk

Keep up to date with what is happening in the village

The CVRA have a village Facebook Page. You can either search for 'Clifton Village' from your Facebook homepage or find us at:

www.facebook.com/cliftonvillagenottingham

Chairwoman's Message

Welcome to our summer newsletter and a warm welcome to those of you who have recently moved into the village, we hope you will enjoy living here and join in many of our village activities. After the Arctic blast, the Beast from the East, who would have thought that we would have had one of the warmest Junes on record?

Since our last newsletter some of us have been having a blitz on litter. After our first, massive clean-up, further litter picks have taken place and we now have a litter champion Alma Davies who will organise litter picks in the future. Do look out for her notices and join in on a Saturday morning session. Thank you to all those who have already taken part and to those who tend to pick up the litter as they come across it. Everything helps to keep our village looking tidy.

Unfortunately, our one eyesore, the Old Rectory, still remains but we hope to see progress on that in a few months' time once all legal documents are completed, after the owner renegotiated terms with the council. New security has been added so hopefully the "adventurous" youngsters will be persuaded to leave the building alone. Other than that, we hope that everyone will ensure that their front gardens are well looked after to add to the neatness of our attractive village. It is always disappointing to walk around and see the few neglected spots, when only a few minutes tidy up would make all the difference.

We have had an enjoyable walk around village gardens with the garden group recently on their annual garden trail event on June 9th. A big thank you to everyone who offered to open their garden this year and those who came along to enjoy them and of course the cakes, wine and savouries at the start and end of the afternoon. All of the gardens were absolutely fabulous. If you take a look on our village Facebook page you will see what I mean.

Back in May many of us enjoyed the annual Fish and Chip Supper. Superb food, fantastic music and the usual great company of friends and neighbours was enjoyed by all. Jonathan Blacknell our resident DJ had extra work to do this year because the supper was an hour later. Expertly he came up with two play lists one for the youngsters before food and one for everyone else afterwards into the later evening. Thank you, Jonathan, we appreciate the extra trouble that you went to, to make the evening such a success.

At the well-attended CVRA AGM we were able to meet our new local police sergeant, Nigel Bradley who updated us on the crime rate locally. We are fortunate in being one of the lower crime rate areas but that doesn't mean we can be complacent particularly during the fine weather. At a recent council/community meeting Sgt. Bradley revealed that car crime in the greater Clifton area is of a particular concern recently so please make sure that no valuables are left in your vehicles.

The committee are attempting to gather old photos of the village and its past residents. I spent several enjoyable hours matching properties, some no longer existing, with a list of the families who once lived in them. Back in March this was put on display in the village hall along with other photographs for everyone to view after a talk on the Ruddington Framework Knitters. We will have another evening where we can spend more time studying the photographs so if you have any that would be of interest do let Graeme or myself know. We would like to copy them and store them on an ever-increasing archive of village life.

Finally, do take the time to enjoy the other events that the committee arrange and we hope to see you at some of them.

Pat Rice - June 2018

Village Notes

Planning application for Clifton West Housing

The Outline Application for the Clifton West site is still lodged with the council 'pending consideration'. Thanks to those villagers who attended a somewhat ill tempered public meeting to discuss the proposals with the owners NCC and Nottingham Trent University. The dispute hinges on the capacity of the access road, and the detrimental impact of the proposals on the adjacent protected woodland. The CVRA

have objected to the current outline proposals on these grounds, as well as a lack of public open space for playing fields and recreation space. We will continue to monitor this application and notify you of any further public events relating to this application in coming weeks.



Parking on Holgate and Nethergate



As we highlighted in our last newsletter increasing numbers of NTU staff and students have been witnessed parking along Holgate, spreading to parts of Nethergate when busy. The CVRA have made representations to the NTU parking management team, who have been out to discuss the situation, and have agreed to attend the area when number increase at the beginning of term. In the shorter term we have been asked to submit photos and records of number plates to NTU so they can check these against their database.

Thanks to those that have already done this. Please keep sending any new numbers and photos to the Secretary at graembarker@virginmedia.com who will forward them to NTU on your behalf.

NTU are being helpful in trying to resolve this issue but have advised that they have no rights of enforcement to stop their staff or students (apart from those living at New Halls on Clifton Campus) from parking in areas around their campus. They do however acknowledge that it does damage NTU's relationship with the village and will therefore come out to site to try and dissuade those staff and students who are found to be parking in the village.

Old Rectory

As you may have seen in the local press, Nottingham Council have confirmed that they have reached agreement with Mr Kumar regarding the removal of profit restrictions on the redevelopment of the Rectory in return for agreement on a timescale for the works. The latest feedback we have had from the Council stated that:

"When we sold this property, we put legal restrictions in place to prevent the land owner from building in the grounds unless we were compensated for the uplift in the land value. We have now agreed a suitable price for the increase in value based on the development proposals, as well as agreeing that the owner will undertake refurbishment to the rectory.

"We have been in ongoing discussions with the owner about taking action with the property and we're pleased that things are now moving forward. Planning permission is in place for the conversion of three outbuildings into houses and for three new buildings in the rectory grounds. A new application is due to be submitted to change the main building's use back to a single residence from being a nursing home and there will be stipulations about it being restored to a good standard and features being reinstated. It's encouraging that a renowned builder has been appointed and we look forward to a better future for the Old Rectory and its visual impact on Clifton Village."

The planning application has now been positively determined and we have been assured by NCC that the legal agreement will be concluded in the next few weeks allowing works to re-commence on the site.

Secretarial Note

Could I please ask everyone to note that my new email address is graemebarker@virginmedia.com. The old greenbee one has been de-activated.



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Tel/Text: 0776 444 2835
Email: alma.davies@hotmail.co.uk

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If anyone would like to book the Village Hall for an event please contact Clare Ashton or Francis Buck on 07982 83012

Clifton Village Art Group



July 10th
Sept 11th

July 24th
Sept 25th

The group meet on Tuesdays at 2 pm

Cost £5 with all materials provided plus refreshments.

Contact Pat for further details: patriciabrice@hotmail.com

Clifton Village Garden Group

Sept 8th Village plant swap with
afternoon tea 2.30 pm £5

Bring and swap a plant or just come and
buy.



The garden group meets on
Mondays at 7.30pm in the village hall Cost £5

Sept 24th. "From Jungle to Paradise" with Alan Clements
Alan will bring plants for sale from his nursery

Oct 29th. "Good enough to eat" with Tracey Akehurst

Nov 26th "Christmas Crackers" with Janette Merilion

Contact Pat for further details: patriciabrice@hotmail.com

CLIFTON MUSIC FESTIVAL 2018

ST. MARY'S CHURCH Clifton Village, Nottingham NG11 8NH

Songs 'from Schumann to Sondheim'

Sarah Simmonds (soprano)
& **Sarah Murphy** (piano)

Friday 13th July at 7.30pm

A varied programme of songs from composers of England, Germany, France & Spain & 'a little dash of something extra'.



The 'Award Winning'

**Colne Valley
Male Voice Choir**

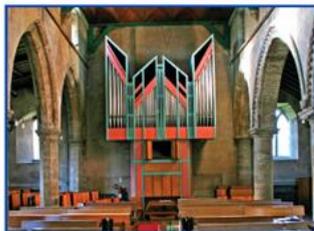
Saturday 14th July at 7.30pm

Musical Director, Thom Meredith MA
Accompanist, Keith Swallow

Choral Festival Service

With St Mary's Singers,
Conductor Philip Olleson, & String Quartet

Sunday 15th July at 10.45am



Friday & Saturday Tickets £10

(Children half price) includes refreshments

For reservations please call 0115 921 3937, 07775 902 385 or 0115 984 5330.

Email: clare31337@btinternet.com

St Mary's Church, Clifton Village

'OPEN CHURCH'

Saturday 21st July 2018 10.30am -
3.30pm

Cream Teas
Soft Drinks
Family Games
'Seek & find' Children's Church Trail
Church History Trail
'Stocks'
Raffle Prizes
Tombola
Bric-a-brac
Plant Stall
Toys
Book Stall
'Guess the weight of the cake'
Bell ringing viewed on TV

Come along & support your local church
All very welcome

Contact:- Clare Ashton 0115 921 3937/07775 902385 or email
clare31337@btinternet.com

Neighbourhood Watch



Clifton Police are on Farnborough Road, next door to Holy Trinity Church. If you wish to speak to a member of your Safer Neighbourhood Team or report an incident you can now contact us on 101 ext 801 4560.



Our front counter opening hours remain the same as before:

Monday - Friday 10am - 6pm (Front counter closed between 2-2:40pm for lunch) Saturday and Sunday Closed

Police Update from AGM

PC Nigel Bradley, leader of the Clifton Beat team was introduced at the CVRA AGM. Nigel has joined the local team after time in Sneinton and St Anns and noted how welcome he has been made by people in the area.

There have been 12 crimes recorded in the village in the last 12 months. 4 of these are car crimes, including a short spate of activity on Milldale and Groveside. It was not known if the criminals had been caught for there. PC Bradley noted that officers will attend victims of car crime and engage with neighbouring residents to raise awareness and seek evidence or witnesses.

Villagers noted evidence of drugs in the Fishermans Car Park, and PC Bradley advised from the descriptions of rubbish offered, that this is likely to be recreational users.

Neighbourhood Watch - It was highlighted that there is currently no neighbourhood watch co-ordinator in post. *Enquires on taking up the role are welcomed from the village.* PC Bradley noted their support for the Neighbourhood Watch system, but did highlight that an active Facebook site and good links to the local Police pages are a good substitute for a formal representative. Visit www.facebook.com/cliftonvillagenottingham and become a friend of the CVRA to be kept up to date on events and police notices.

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Call us: 101

Visit us online www.nottinghamshire.police.uk

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