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Winter 2023 Newsletter

#### <u>Welcome</u>

The Parish Council would like to welcome Andrea Thorpe to the Council, joining by co-option in July 2023. Andrea looks forward to serving the Parish and making a difference.

#### **Community Speed Initiative**

Following on from resident complaints about speeding motorists throughout the parish, the Parish Council requested additional speed checks from South Yorkshire Police. Due to limited staff within our area these were conducted as often as possible, but not too frequently. Therefore the Clerk found out about a new community speed initiative which sees residents carrying out speed checks and data being sent direct to South Yorkshire police for actioning. Volunteers were sought and training was provided to 5 residents by South Yorkshire Police. A minimum of 6 volunteers was required to make the initiative successful. Despite numerous requests for volunteers, this hasn't been possible so the Parish Council and South Yorkshire Police agreed it wasn't viable.

## **Donation to South Yorkshire Ambulance Service**

Following the request by a local business owner, the Parish Council considered and agreed to source training for residents on use of the defibrillators. South Yorkshire Ambulance Service provided a session to a number of residents on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023 and a donation was made to the Ambulance Service by way of a thank you. Information on the session is on the Parish Council's Facebook page.

### **Police Drop In Sessions**

Police Drop In sessions are organised every 6 weeks and rotate between daytime sessions held at The Café within Branton Garden Centre and evening sessions at Kilham Hall, Kilham Lane, Branton. The next sessions are to be held at Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 6.15pm and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 10am.

## **Armistice Day Displays**

The Parish Council would like to express their thanks to the local residents who knitted and crocheted over 500 poppies to enable further displays to be installed around the Parish. Appreciation also goes out to the ladies who attached the poppies to the displays. The Parish Council also purchased two Tommy Silhouettes which will be incorporated with the poppy displays and lamppost poppies will be displayed around the Parish again too. As always, a wreath was purchased from the Royal British Legion and donated to the Branton St Wilfrid's Primary School and one laid on the remembrance bench at Kilham Hall for quiet reflection.

# **Christmas Events**

A carol singing event around the Christmas Tree next to the Three Horseshoes Pub in Branton will take place on Friday 1st December at 6.30pm accompanied by the Armthorpe Elmfield Brass Band. On Sunday 3rd December Little Red Riding Hood will descend on Kilham Hall, Branton. Organised by Kilham Hall Management Committee and sponsored by the Parish Council, tickets will be available to purchase from The Premier Shop, Ava Court, Branton from 1st November 2023.

#### **Become a Councillor**

The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) run the Make A Change campaign. As part of the campaign, NALC will be hosting an online event with the Local Government Association (LGA) on how interested members of the public can be the voice of the community by standing for election as a local councillor. The empowering event on 14 November 2023 will discuss the path to becoming a local councillor and to positively impact the local area and society. The event will provide an invaluable opportunity to learn about the vital work and role of councillors from an expert panel.. The event is free and booking and details can be obtained from the Clerk

# Parish Council Facebook Page

The Parish Council Facebook page is updated regularly with useful information relating to the Parish and the work the Parish Council is undertaking. The Clerk will often share the posts to Community Facebook pages however to ensure you're keeping up to date please search "Cantley with Branton Parish Council" on Facebook and like the page.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Parish Council