




# PARISH NEWS

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MIDDLETON, NORTH RUNCTON & EAST WINCH



## “CASE” AGAINST SILICA SAND EXTRACTION

By Sarah Juggins

At the open meeting of the campaign group, CASE, (Campaign Against Silica Extraction), held at the Carpenters Arms on 8 November, 26 residents from the parishes of East Winch, West Bilney, Middleton, Blackborough End and Pentney came together to discuss ways of moving the campaign forwards.

A lively meeting demonstrated just how much people care about the local community and some good action plans were put in place. The first is a open-to-all ramble through West Bilney Woods on 11th December where we hope local people and their family and friends will join us for a festive walk.



For people unaware or uncertain of the reasons for forming this campaign group, here is a concise outline of the many reasons for opposing silica extraction:

*Irreversible logging of mature woodland; damage to the natural environment, including destroying the habitat of many species of birds, animals and plant life; yet more quarrying in a community that has far more than its fair share of large, water-filled holes; thousands more heavy vehicles on A47 and the associated congestion that causes; thousands more heavy vehicles travelling down the narrow lanes of Common Road; the potential health impact of silica sand and the noxious carbon dioxide fumes from lorries and diggers; property blight for houses in the vicinity; and many more issues besides.*

Three aims were outlined:

- To work with the parish council to maintain a rigorous challenge to the proposals for Silica extraction.
- To discuss ways to maintain and raise awareness of the proposals and to achieve a sustained and co-ordinated approach to continue to challenge the proposals.
- To engage with interested parties, user groups, individuals who have a vested interest in preserving the landscape and building/improving the local community.

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## MAKING THE “CASE”

The group also agreed that this is about the community taking responsibility for itself and working with other bodies, such as East Winch & West Bilney Parish Council, neighbouring parish councils, the Borough Council and Norfolk County Council, to strengthen the local community and make it a better, safer, more attractive place to live. While much of the current talk is about Silica extraction, we hope that this is the start of a long-term and sustained approach by a high number of local residents to help support the parish councils in their work.

A number of actions were planned over the coming months, including events in the woods;



poster campaigns around the parishes; talks with interested parties who use the woodlands and other awareness-raising campaigns. The most immediate action, and one in which we invite everyone to come along, is a

### Winter Woodland Walk at 10:30am on 11 December.

This will start and finish at the Tipi, Conkers, West Bilney and will be about three miles in length taking in the beautiful surroundings of West Bilney Woods. The pace of the walk is down to individuals but there will be seasonal snacks and mulled wine at the end of the walk.

Looking to the future, CASE aims to organise more awareness raising activities that will prove both fun, informative and, hopefully, will build a greater sense of local community. Please visit our Facebook Page “Protect West Bilney Woods”; visit the East Winch and West Bilney website [www.eastwinchandwestbilney.co.uk](http://www.eastwinchandwestbilney.co.uk) or just read about our activities in the Parish Newsletter.

Please feel free to get in touch if you wish to become involved or simply want to have a say in local community matters. You can contact us by e-mail at the following address: [ob1mattbuzz@gmail.com](mailto:ob1mattbuzz@gmail.com)

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All are welcome for some pre-christmas fun and to kick-start our fundraising plan which will ensure vital works to the Village Meeting Place can commence in 2017.

Please visit our website:

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## MAGPIE CENTRE CAROL SERVICE

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The event will take place in the indoor school at Wallington Hall, on A10, north of Downham Market. Admission is free, so now's your chance to meet us, and some of our lovely ponies, have a singalong, and find out about volunteering opportunities.

And if you're stuck for a gift idea for a pony-mad youngster, you couldn't do better than gift a year's pony sponsorship, priced at £12.50 for Silver and £25 for Gold sponsorship. Sponsor packs will be available on the night, or visit [www.rda-westnorfolk.org.uk](http://www.rda-westnorfolk.org.uk) and click on Sponsor a Pony. Details are also available from the Magpie Centre on 01553 810202.

## **A Huge Thank You for the Big Churchyard "Tidy Up"**

The response to a plea for help, in the October/November Parish News, to tidy up the boundaries of All Saints Church North Runcton on Saturday 8th October was beyond all expectations said a delighted Churchwarden, Ken Matthews.

24 parishioners, including Reverend Riaz, came to take part armed with a comprehensive array of power tools, loppers, shears, ladders and thankfully, a large four wheel trailer.

Two ladies provided vital refreshments including scones, sausage rolls, tea, coffee and soft drinks during the morning and when not doing that, spent time hauling trimmings to the trailer for despatch to the composting site. In total 2.1 tonnes of trimmings were removed for composting from the churchyard.

While recovering the churchyard boundaries was the main objective, in addition, ivy and moss was diligently removed from some tree trunks, headstones, monuments and the carr stone walls not forgetting the algae on the churchyard gates.

Besides the hard work, a great sense of community spirit developed throughout the morning, not just through meeting people for the first time but also by providing the opportunity for established friendships to have a good mardle.

After at least three hours hard labour, Ken was even further delighted when the group proposed that the exercise should be repeated next year!! This was quickly and gratefully accepted.

As the title says, Ken wishes to record a huge thanks to all who gave their time and energy so willingly and is looking forward to doing it all again next year.

N.B. Ken is in possession a pair of secateurs with blue handles and a "Wilco" garden rake with a deep red handle which were left in the churchyard. Ken can be contacted on 01553 842265.

## **ALL SAINTS CHURCH NORTH RUNCTON CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE 24 DECEMBER AT 6.30pm followed by a party at the Village Meeting Place**

It would be so kind if anyone could donate mulled wine, mince pies or party food for the evening.

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### **5 - A - TIME - QUIZ (answers on Page 19)**

1. A new statue of King John stands in New Conduit Street. Where is he buried? (Not in Norfolk)
2. What new store is between DFS and Next at the Hardwick?
3. In the name Purfleet and Millfleet what does "fleet" mean?
4. When was True's Yard Fishing Museum opened?
5. Why is 1331 an important year in Lynn's history?

# Middleton Parish Council Chairman's Report

By Mick Porter

The drainage of the dyke at The Alley in Blackborough End has been alleviated as no water has been observed in the dyke for some time. The Parish Council (PC) discussed whether regular maintenance is required on an annual basis to remove foliage and undergrowth before it enters the dyke and blocks the drain pipe. The PC agreed to monitor the situation before committing funds for any maintenance contract.

The PC considered a letter from Gavin Barnwell MP urging councils to develop and produce their own Neighbourhood Plans. The PC, after much debate, decided to defer any decision for six months. The reason being a considerable amount of time and effort is required to produce a plan and also there are no specific areas of concern regarding planning in Middleton to which a plan would be beneficial.

A significant amount of asbestos sheeting was dumped in the entrance to the Parish Pit, as it was more than six metres from the highway the responsibility for its removal rested with the PC. The cost of the removal was nearly £1000; money the PC will have to divert from monies needed for other items already identified. The PC are considering various options to prevent further dumping of waste at the Parish Pit.

The PC has been advised that police speed checks will be carried out in the near future. The police asked the PC to advise times and locations for these speed checks and this has been done.

A further response has been received by the PC from the Police and Crime Commissioner but once again it did not convey any useful information. The PC agreed that further dialogue would be unlikely to receive a different response.

The PC has agreed to go ahead with re-instigating speed watch, sufficient volunteers have come forward to achieve this. It just remains for the Co-ordinator to contact the Norfolk Police Speed Watch team to get the

equipment and arrange for training of the operators.

The PC have received information from WREN regarding the grant for new play equipment on the playing field. The grant allocated is not quite what was asked for but it is still a significant high amount to allow the PC to progress the installation of the equipment, hopefully by early next year.

The PC has received notification that British Telecom intend to remove redundant telephone kiosks in several parishes. It was noted that only one is affected in Middleton and that is the one in Station Road. The PC could see no reason to oppose this.

## NORTH RUNCTON HARVEST SUPPER

Thank you all for supporting the harvest supper, it was a lovely, friendly and happy evening.

Many thanks to all who donated the fruit and many raffle prizes, and to all who helped.

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**Lynda Fuller**

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### Emanuel! "GOD WITH US"

Among all the powerful words of the passage in Matthew 1:23, the word Emmanuel deeply moves my spiritual emotions.

It is three words compounded into one — God with us! Which is incredibly good news and the three in one and one in three, just like the wonder of the Holy Trinity itself.

Let us then think about the word Emmanuel, through the journey of Advent up to Christmas.

First, He DID COME, over 2000 years ago into this world! This obviously means that He was with us in our past. Second, He IS COMING, daily, hourly, unto us, into our spirit, revealing Himself to our hearts through different experiences, by extending His love, peace and hope to us all. Finally, He SHALL COME in His glorified body, and will receive his people.

Some doubt that He ever did come or that GOD ever visited the earth. I heard a man on television talking about the Incarnation of Jesus and he made some interesting statements. He said that if God did come into this world 2000 years ago and came as a little Baby, placing Himself at the mercy of men, this would be the reasonable way for Him to come. If God wanted men to love Him, could there be any other method as effective as this, of coming as a little baby? If God wanted men to know Him, could there be any better way?

It is like Joseph who was doubtful about his wife and about to leave her as she was pregnant. However, through divine experience he agreed to accept and bring Mary home. In this way we are all able to enjoy the celebrations of Christmas. This obviously gives us a view that God is with us to reconcile and mend our broken relations with our loved ones or with anyone else. I think there is no greater love than in the family circle under God who abides in every individual and at all gatherings of His faithful.

Merry Christmas to you all! **Rev Riaz, Rector**

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# West Winch Bowls Club - Get Into Bowls

By David Skerritt

The Bowls Club at West Winch is open and available to all readers of the Parish News. New members of either sex, regardless of ability, are warmly invited to join the club. Playing bowls is a great way to get some gentle exercise, meet other people and to have some fun. If you would like to have a go at playing bowls, please contact me (01553 840339 or e-mail: [davidskerritt@live.co.uk](mailto:davidskerritt@live.co.uk)) and I would be happy to meet you and ensure you receive a warm welcome.

At the commencement of the closed season, the green has undergone major maintenance under the direction of Ken Manning. Ken has a wealth of knowledge and experience, and has applied his skills to West Winch Bowling Green for many years. Under Ken's direction, a team of volunteers cut, scarified and spiked the green. Thanks are expressed to Paul Burt for disposing of grass removed from the green during the scarifying operations.

Several tonnes of special extra fine topsoil were then laid, followed by a seed dressing and fertiliser. The new grass has already started to grow. This has necessitated a 'trim cut'. Throughout the winter months the green will be "swept" on a daily basis and the worm casts removed. This is being done by Jim Grant, Geoff Nunn, Brian Parker, Ken Manning, David Bull and Harry Richardson; Sunday being the day of rest.

Twenty eight members and guests recently attended the end of season dinner which was held at The Gate, Fair Green. An excellent dinner was enjoyed by all who attended.

The AGM was held at the club pavilion on the 10th October. A new committee was elected consisting of Kevin Evans (Secretary - 01366 383901), Jim Grant (Treasurer - 01553 773687), Wendy Bull (Social Secretary), David Skerritt (Chairman), Committee: Geoff Nunn, Brian Parker, David Beckett and David Bull.

With Christmas just a few weeks away, why not buy your loved one a present with a difference! By this I mean a one year subscription to the West Winch Bowls Club costing just £16. Contact David (01553 840339) or any of the committee for further details. Shoes and a set of Woods can be bought cheaply off the internet ready for when the green opens next April.

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# East Winch Parish Council Meeting 7 November

By Nell Steele

The meeting was packed, as over 30 people had attended to voice their concerns about NCC's area of search consultation, and it was difficult to accommodate their views within the strictures of a normal council meeting. As before, the public were concerned with damage to the environment if excavation were to occur, the consequent traffic problems, falling house prices and possible conflicts of interest.

The chairman explained that all letters would soon be sent to an Inspector nominated by the Secretary of State who would decide which of the proposed areas should be chosen for search. Once it had been determined which areas had enough sand of sufficient quality, there would be a further consultation before any planning application. The process would take years. No conflicts of interest had arisen as the whole situation was too fluid. The Borough Councillor, Jim Moriarty, explained that KLBC had a register of parish councillors' interests: the clerk added that he did too.

Related traffic concerns included that East Winch PC was not sent Pentney planning applications, eg for 31 chalets at Pentney Lakes, which had a greater effect on traffic flow through Common Rd than through Pentney. Cllr Moriarty is to check the position with Borough Planning.

Cllr Moriarty reported fears that, under the Local Government Finance Settlement Consultation, small councils, like the larger ones, would be required to have a referendum if they intended to increase the precept by more than 2%. This would prevent small councils from embarking on any but the smallest projects, because the cost to the public of running a referendum would often be greater than the amount councils needed to raise. We were urged to write to our MP, even though the consultation has closed. The final decision will be made later this month. Bearing that in mind, the Council could only provisionally give the go-ahead to the installation of LED street lights in Gayton Rd., which will either take place in March/April 2017 or, if a referendum is necessary, shelved indefinitely.

Approval was given to an application for change of use from a residential annexe to a new dwelling at Braemore, Station Rd. An application for a log store at Rose Cottage, West Bilney, was turned down as not enough information had been provided.

Progress is continuing in creating an information centre in the telephone kiosk, and with providing a cover to prevent birds from fouling the seat outside the village hall. The hall notice board still has problems with condensation and the supplier is to be contacted again. The long awaited chevrons to be installed at the RSPCA corner still have no date for arrival.

**Next meeting: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30.**

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# North Runcton / West Winch Neighbourhood Planning Update

By Richard Morrish

I have told people I am fed-up with saying 'The Neighbourhood Plan is almost there' – but we **do** now expect to submit our finalised Neighbourhood Plan to the Borough Council before Christmas. We felt there was no benefit in submitting our Plan until the Borough had finally confirmed their own proposals for West Winch and North Runcton.

As many of you may have now gathered – the examination of the BCKLWN *Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Plan* (SADMP) was completed in the summer and the document was adopted by the Borough Council in late September. Along with the Core Strategy document (adopted in 2011), this document therefore now forms the Local Plan for the entire Borough until 2026. It of course includes the 192 hectare *West Winch Growth Area* – where the SADMP proposes 1600 new dwellings by 2026, but promotes the idea of building up to 3500 dwellings here in the longer term.

A key part of the BCKLWN plan for the area involves preparation of an *Infrastructure Delivery Plan*. They have now appointed consultants Mott McDonald and Gerald Eve to prepare this plan and we understand the work has begun. We will be sharing our Neighbourhood Plan ideas with this team in an effort to ensure they take into account the views and wishes of local residents.

It is more than four years since West Winch and North Runcton Parish Councils signed a memorandum of agreement to work together to produce a Neighbourhood Plan – and none of us

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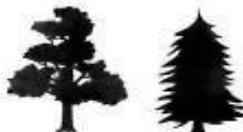


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## Leziate, Ashwicken & Bawsey Women's Institute



We meet every 3rd Tuesday of the month from **2 - 4.30pm at Leziate Village Hall**. At our meetings we have guest speakers who inform & entertain us on a variety of interesting topics or we have social activities such as games, quizzes, competitions & lunches.

**20 December:** Christmas tea-party with entertainment from local musician, Chris Dixon

**17 January:** Birthday celebrations (more tea & cakes!) for our WI Group which will be 72 years old.

We would love you to join us for a "taster-afternoon" and if you like us perhaps consider joining our very friendly & informal group for future meetings. For further information please call Jan 01553 841514 or Ali 01553 841267.

## Nar Valley Ornithological Society (NarVOS)



Indoor meetings at the Barn Theatre, Sacred Heart Convent School, Swaffham.  
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### *No December meeting*

### **BirdTrack with Stephen McAvoy**

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January, 7.30pm

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There will be a raffle, donation of prizes greatly welcomed, all proceeds of which will go to the Middleton & District Branch of the RBL.

We have our Branch meeting open to all members on **Monday, 12 December** in the William Burt Social Club at 7:30pm.

**Lunch Club** usually meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at Middleton Hall Golf Club at 12.00 for 12.30pm. For further details contact Olive Turpin 840623.

## CARPET BOWLS



Carpet Bowls has a growing following in Middleton and the sessions are open to players from North Runcton as well. Join us at the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. Please wear soft flat shoes. More details from Club Secretary, Peter Wall on 840471.

## Middleton Badminton Club

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## FRIENDSHIP CLUB



If you are 50+ you are most welcome to join in the activities of the Friendship Club, which meets at 2pm on the first Wednesday of the month at Middleton Village Hall. **New members very welcome.**

**7 December:** Christmas Lunch, Middleton Hall Golf Club, 12.30 for 1.00pm.

There is no meeting in January. Our meeting on **7 February** will be an afternoon of musical entertainment.

Further details from John Turtle (840280) or Pauline Crump (840053).

## Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Let us welcome in 2017 by accepting new challenges together. In this respect we would like to invite all organisations, churches and denominations in the Benefice of Middlewinch, i.e West Winch with Setchey, North Runcton, Middleton, and East Winch with West Bilney, to send representative(s) to join an initiative called 'Community Hour Together' where we can share our stories and thoughts and work together more closely in the future. We hope to commence this in March 2017 and further details will follow.

The Rector and members of the Middlewinch Benefice Liaison Committee



## Cameo Café

We continue to meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month between 2:30pm and 4:30pm in the Village Hall to enjoy a pleasant sociable afternoon with tea and cake.

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Happy Christmas

*Hilary Hickman*

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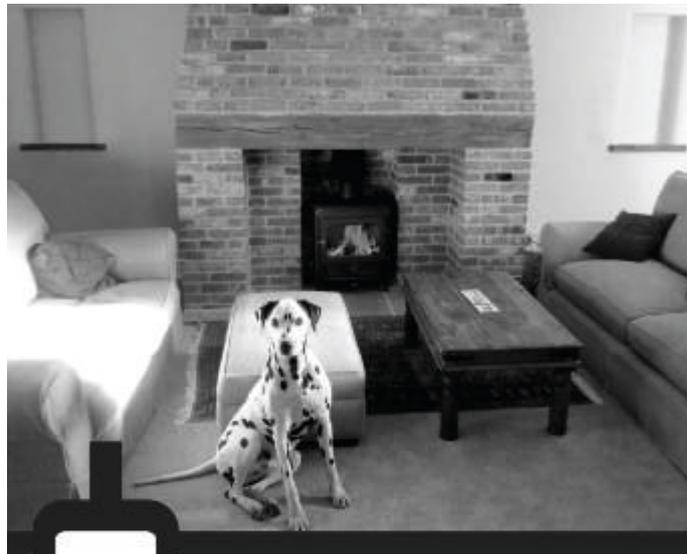
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### **Sunday, 11 December**

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10.30am **E Winch** Carols in the Village Hall

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

11.15am **N Runcton** Holy Communion

### **Saturday, 17 December**

3.00pm **W Bilney** Carols

### **Sunday, 18 December**

8.00am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.00am **E Winch** Holy Communion

11.00am **W Winch** Carols & Mulled Wine in the Village Hall

3.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Prayer

6.00pm **Middleton** Carol Service

### **Saturday, 24 December - Christmas Eve**

3.00pm **E Winch** Christingle

4.00pm **Middleton** Crib Service

6.00pm **W Winch** Crib Service

6.30pm **N Runcton** Carol Service

9.00pm **Middleton** Holy Communion

### **Sunday, 25 December - Christmas Day**

9.30am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.30am **E Winch** Holy Communion

11.15am **N Runcton** Holy Communion

### **Sunday, 1 January 2017**

10.00am **W Winch** Praise & Fellowship with shortened Eucharist

### **Sunday, 8 January**

9.30am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.30am **E Winch Village Hall** Morning Worship

11.15am **Middleton** Morning Praise/Communion

11.15am **N Runcton** Holy Communion

### **Sunday, 15 January**

9.30am **W Winch** Morning Praise/Communion

11.15am **Middleton** Morning Worship

11.15am **E Winch** Morning Praise/Communion

3.00pm **N Runcton** Evening prayer

### **Sunday, 22 January**

8.00am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.00am **W Winch** Morning Worship

10.30am **E Winch** Morning Worship

11.15am **Middleton** Morning Praise/Communion

11.15am **N Runcton** Morning Praise/Communion

### **Sunday, 29 January**

9.30am **W Winch** Morning Praise/Communion

10.30am **E Winch** Morning Worship

11.15am **Middleton** Morning Praise/Communion

3.00m **N Runcton** Praise/Communion

Morning Worship is held each Wednesday morning at 9.30am in Middleton Church and every Thursday morning at 10.00am in West Winch Church.



## Mothers' Union News

In December we hold our Christmas Meeting with readings, carols and seasonal refreshments. This year it will be held at Church Farm on **20th December at 7:30pm**. All are welcome.

We do not have a meeting in January but resume on the **3rd Tuesday in February** as usual with a talk by a retired midwife who has experience of working as a volunteer at the "Jungle" - the refugee camp in Calais.

As mentioned last time, we continue to need Moses baskets for new babies whose mothers are in financial or other difficulties. If you can help in this way please contact Gill Boon on 01553 840320. Remember it does not matter what state the mattress is in as all baskets are given a new mattress. Thank you.

Happy Christmas to all our members and friends.

*Hilary Hickman*

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On Friday 11th November 2016, The Lisa Wiles Red Wellies Brain Tumour Support Fund's trustees were invited to the opening ceremony of a new laboratory at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge. In recognition of Red Wellies' donation of tens of thousands of pounds to the University of Cambridge, Brain Tumour Research Department at Addenbrooke's, the innovative new lab has been named 'The Lisa Wiles Neuro-Oncology Laboratory'. The name of the lab and the Red Wellies logo are shown on a plaque above the door.

On Friday evening, the opening was the main bulletin on Cambridge TV News. It was also featured in The Lynn News, Eastern Daily Press and The Cambridge News.

On behalf of Lisa's family, friends and all of the Red Wellies trustees, I would like to thank all of the kind people and organisations in Middleton and its surrounding hamlets, for their support and donations which have enabled us to achieve this.

If you would like to learn more about our charity or support our cause please visit [www.redwellies.info](http://www.redwellies.info) or call Mervyn on 01553 841015.

**Mervyn Wiles, Treasurer of Red Wellies & Lisa Wiles' father**



Pictured are some of the Red Wellies Trustees  
Back row: Mike Last, Viv Overland, Zach Wiles Van Dyke and Mervyn Wiles Front row: Trisha Moore, Caleb Norwood (Lisa's grandson), Rosalie Wiles and Shannen Wiles Van Dyke (Caleb's mother).

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### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

expected it to be such hard work or to take so long. We have had to accept many compromises along the way. However – we have battled on and we do believe our work has already influenced the development proposals and if we can get our plan adopted we still believe it will help to ensure the best outcome for existing and future residents.

Please note that once the Neighbourhood Plan is submitted to BCKLWN they will conduct a 6-week consultation in which all local residents and stakeholders will again be able to make further comments.

An independent planning examiner will then review the plan and all consultation comments and – we hope – will recommend the document for adoption, perhaps with amendments. This process will then pave the way for a local referendum – where, if 50% of voters support the plan, it will become part of the adopted plan for West Winch and North Runcton. We will provide further publicity as the forthcoming stages approach – and we will be urging you to support this very important document!

***Richard Morrish – Chair of NRWW Neighbourhood Plan steering group***

For further updates and information about the Neighbourhood Planning process – please look at the North Runcton Parish website (where you can also leave comments).

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