



# Willingdon & Jevington Parish Council

## Newsletter – Winter 2018



### Willingdon Remembers

Willingdon Parish Council led a busy weekend of Remembrance events commencing with our service at the Parish Office on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup>, the best ever parade of all our young people and leaders – our 2 Scout Groups, Guides, St John Ambulance, Willingdon Branch of the Royal British Legion, Parish Councillors all led by the Kingfisher Scout Band, and our Ruthless Memorial service at Butts Brow, what a tribute we had. This all culminated in our wonderful Beacon on the Downs above Willingdon – one of the National Chain of Beacons across the country attended by many and some who couldn't make it saw it from their homes. Lots more pictures on Parish Website.



### Christmas Carol Evening 2018

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 6pm to 8.30 pm!**

Compered by  
Paul Hayes

Carol singing  
with Wealden  
Brass at 7pm.  
Bring torches!

Sausages and  
Burgers by  
British Queen

Councillors  
serving free  
Mulled Wine  
and mince  
pies!!

**PST... Don't  
forget Father  
Christmas will be  
visiting from 6pm  
at the Parish  
Office for all the  
good children!!**

Kingfisher  
Scout Band  
6.30pm

Stalls to buy  
those last  
minute gifts!

**WOULD ANYBODY BE INTERESTED IN HELPING KEEP THE VILLAGE CLEAN?**



The Parish Council are interesting in having a Litter picking day in the New Year! If anyone is interested in joining us or know of any areas that need attention please let us know!

For more information please contact the office on 01323 – 489603.

## Parish Council Donation 2018



Above: Chairman John Pritchett BEM presenting a cheque of £600 to Colin McKee Eastbourne Branch of RNLI from monies raised from this year's Music in the Park.

## Cemetery of the Year Awards 2018

Willingdon Cemetery has scooped a prize at the National Cemetery of the Year Awards. The Cemetery won the 2018 silver prize in the small Cemetery Category of the National Competition organised by the Memorial Awareness Board. The Parish Council and Southern Land Services who maintain the Cemetery are thrilled that it acknowledges that we try and provide a professional, reliable, friendly and quality service.



Left: John Hesse Southern Land Services, Nicola Williamson and Cllr Martin Cooper Cemetery Chair. Right: Cllr Andy Watkins Vice Cemetery Chair, Cllr John Pritchett BEM Chair and Cllr Martin Cooper Cemetery Chair.

## "Council Corner"

Since April Willingdon and Jevington Parish Council have been extremely busy with saving our Willingdon Library and agreeing the lease for it. All is progressing well. We have also had to respond to the latest Wealden Local Plan, and respond to endless consultations in addition to the day-to-day management of service provided by the Council including Planning applications, managing our 3 recreation grounds, the Cemetery and all our other amenities. As well as all this we have also:

- Agreed to replace the existing Christmas Lights in the trees on Jubilee Green
- Accepted the donation of a new bench at Tott Yew Rec in memory of Christine Page (a former Councillor and our tree warden)
- Organised the repair of fencing around the play area at Huggetts Lane Rec
- Agreed to the planting of 12 new trees at Foulride Green this winter
- Accepted donations of two benches to go either side of the Huggetts Lane Pavilion, one in memory of John Beck and one of Richard (Dick) Shepherd
- Accepted 6 silhouette figures donated by The Armed Forces Covenant Fund to the Parish Council commemorating 100 years since the end of WW1. These were placed in St Marys Church representing local men who lost their lives. Once again the Parish was also decorated with giant poppies.



## Office Closure at Christmas

The Parish Council Office will be closed from 24<sup>th</sup> December 2018 and reopen on Tuesday 2nd January 2019.

Members and Staff of Willingdon & Jevington Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy & healthy New Year.

In an emergency please telephone the Wealden District Council helpline on 01323 644422.



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