# **HANNINGTON LIFE**

# September 2025

#### **OVERFLOWING LITTER BIN**

In August the litter bin by the bus shelter was found to be overflowing with dog poo bags – some were also placed on top and on the ground surrounding the bin. This is NOT acceptable as Norse, technically need only empty the bin itself on their weekly schedule – thankfully in this case they removed ALL bags. The Parish Council is NOT responsible for providing a service to those dog owners who do not want to place the bags in their own bins – those who do are in in effect asking all the Council Tax Paying residents in the village to do so for them. If the litter bin is full – PLEASE take your dog poo bags home for disposal. The advice from WNC is that dog waste can be double bagged and put in the grey bin. For those of you concerned about the smell, an alternative would be to purchase an outdoor pet waste disposal bin to store the waste and then empty it into the grey bin on collection day – an example is a Umtiti 5L Dog Poop Trash Can with Lid for Outdoors, 1.3 Gallon Trash Can with Activated Carbon Filter & Plastic Bags, Pet Waste Container available on Amazon for £34.99 or you could try a Doggie Dooley "The Original In-Ground Dog Waste Disposal System, Black with Green Lid – which is buried in the your garden and acts like a miniature septic tank – also available from Amazon for £53.10 – other options are available (!)

### **HANNINGTON HIKERS**

The Hannington Hikers was formed in 2007 and we have now held about 170 walks. These walks present an opportunity to meet your neighbours whilst exploring the countryside around Hannington and sometimes further afield. The walks usually start outside the church in Hannington at 10:30 on the fourth Saturday of the month, although there are occasional variations the details of which are circulated by email about a week beforehand. The distance is usually about 4.5 miles. If you would like to be on the mailing list please email Tim Kidger at oldshrinker@yahoo.com.

There is absolutely no obligation to come on any walk and you can easily unsubscribe if you want to. Dogs are very welcome on most of the walks but occasionally there will be a concern about livestock so please check the details before bringing your dog. You don't have to live in Hannington. We usually have a pub lunch after the walk but you can walk without eating or, indeed, eat without walking!

#### **PARKING**

Once again, it has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that there has been an increase in the number of cars being parked on the village pavements and would request that all residents, their visitors and any workmen refrain from doing so. Parking a vehicle on the pavement could lead to an offence of obstruction being committed. This act also causes a danger/nuisance for pedestrians, wheelchair users & those with young children being forced to walk on the road. We would also be grateful if those attending events/services at the Church would also be mindful about parking on the pavement – many thanks.

# **ALLOTMENT VACANCIES**

There are currently six allotment plots available. The price is £20 per year for Hannington village residents or £25 for those outside of the village, subject to a refundable £50 deposit.

If you are interested, please contact Caroline Tel: 01604 781631 or email: jandcmiddleton@gmail.com

## PARISH COUNCILLOR CASUAL VACANCY

Following the Parish Council uncontested election on 1 May, there is ONE vacancy that can be filled by co-option. If you were put off by having to fill out a nomination pack and then deliver to the centre of Northampton, this is no longer required. It is not an onerous job and usually just involves your attendance at one meeting per month (except August) and delivering a small number of Hannington Life's. The length of the meeting is dependent on the agenda items to be discussed and can range from 17 minutes (!) to a maximum of 2 hours – generally they last c1 hour. To qualify, a person must be a Commonwealth citizen, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland, a qualifying EU citizen, or an EU citizen with retained rights, who has attained the age of 18 years and an elector, must reside within the parish of Hannington, or within 4.8km of it, or occupy as owner or tenant any land or premises therein, or have their principal or only place of work there, and must not be disqualified from holding office as a Councillor. Anyone interested in standing, should contact the Clerk or attend the next meeting.

# HANNINGTON QUIZ NIGHT – FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025 @ 7.30PM

Following last year's very successful event, we are pleased to announce another Quiz Night has been organised and invite you to join us for a fun evening of quizzing and support your local Church in Hannington. No experience is required! As in previous years, light refreshments will be provided but remember to bring your own drinks & glasses plus any nibbles. Ticket price is £13 per person (max 6 persons per team)

Tickets / reservations are available from either Andrew or Elaine Greatrex (01604 781969). Cheques made payable to Hannington PCC. Look forward to seeing you then.

# SMALL ELECTRICAL GOODS - COLLECTION SERVICE & NEW CAMPAIGN

HypnoCat, the Recycle Your Electricals pink fluffy cat, will be hypnotising residents to recycle their electricals and he will appear in social media advertising across Northampton.

Small electrical items that have a plug or are battery powered can be recycled. Place the item in a standard sized carrier bag and simply place on the lid of your black rubbish bin on your normal collection week. PLEASE DO NOT PLACE INSIDE THE BIN. The electrical items will be taken to a special facility where they will be safely dismantled & recycled. YES TO: small kitchen appliances, curlers, straighteners, hairdryers, kettle, toasters, irons, digital clocks & watches, clippers, shavers, smoke detectors & thermostats, mobile phones & electrical gadgets, consoles & remotes, audio devices, radios & MP3 players and power tools. NO TO: large electrical items or car batteries.

#### WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS

Download your 2025 bin collection calendar & check your collection day at <a href="www.westnorthants.gov.uk/bincollections">www.westnorthants.gov.uk/bincollections</a> alternatively you can download the West Northants App and set up a notification which reminds you at 4pm on a Thursday which bins are being collected.

In addition to the weekly food bin, these are the following dates for those who do not have the calendar: Friday 5 Sep: Recycling bin Friday 12 Sep: Garden Waste (subscription only)

Friday 19 Sep: Recycling & grey bin Friday 26 Sep: Garden Waste (subscription only)

Friday 3 Oct: Recycling bin Friday 10 Oct: Garden Waste (subscription only) & grey bin

As a reminder, as from 1 April all six Household Waste recycling centres in the county are open seven days a week from 10am to 4pm.

# FIX MY STREET (FORMALLY STREET DOCTOR)

All villagers are reminded that any problems with pot holes, overgrown verges, restricted visibility at road junctions, empty salt bin etc can be reported directly to Fix My Street – WNC would prefer contact to be made online and have advised that "If the problem is categorised as an emergency then the phone number will appear for people to ring instead." **In addition, any problems with overgrown public footpaths etc should be reported in the same manner**. It is also helpful to take a photograph of the problem as this can be uploaded when reporting the problem. Any repairs and all practical work required must be reported via <a href="www.Fixmystreet.northamptonshire.gov.uk">www.Fixmystreet.northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> – this can be done anonymously if you prefer.

Problems with the streetlights however must be reported to the Clerk as these need to be directed to E.on.

# **HANNINGTON LIFE**

If you would like your copy of Hannington Life delivered direct to your e-mail on the Thursday following the PC meeting, then please email the Clerk at <a href="clerk@hanningtonparishcouncil.org">clerk@hanningtonparishcouncil.org</a>

### HANNINGTON VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall is available to hire. The charge is £15.00 for the first hour and then subsequent hours at £7.00 For further details and bookings please contact Caroline Middleton (781631).

# **HANNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on MONDAY 6 OCTOBER at 7.15pm, in the Village Hall. All villagers are welcome to attend the meeting.

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS UPDATE

The following planning applications have been received by the Parish Council and any decisions by West Northants Council: **S119 Public Path Diversion Order 2019** – Public Bridleway CT8 (Part).

Any comments should preferably be online <a href="www.westnorthants.gov.uk/planning-applications-and-enforcement/view-and-comment-planning-application">www.westnorthants.gov.uk/planning-applications-and-enforcement/view-and-comment-planning-application</a> – search by the full application number or can be directed to The Planning Service Place Directorate, The Guildhall, St Giles Square, Northampton NN1 1DE

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