

# News Update

News for the Parishioners of Laughton-en-le-Morthen Parish

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*Welcome to our latest news update*

This newsletter is produced to keep parishioners informed about the activities being undertaken by the Parish Council, for the benefit of the Parish, as well as information on events and activities that you may wish to take part in. We hope that you find it informative.

Since the last issue there has now been a new Vehicle Activate Speed Camera in the village. It is hoped that this will help to slow traffic as it approaches St. John's Road. This camera is able to be moved around the village as needed, so the location will be reviewed again in 12 months' time.

The hanging baskets were installed over the summer, and we are most grateful to Parishioners who contributed to this as it allowed us to put up more baskets than otherwise would have been possible. Feedback was really positive on the colourful display that they made through the centre of the Village and we hope to repeat this again next year.

After the Hanging Baskets came down it was soon time for the Poppies to go up and we once again put these up around the Parish, printed with the names of the fallen soldiers named on the War Memorial. For those that we know lived in Laughton, the poppies were located close to where they once lived.

The Village Hall continues to host various groups and events so please have a look at some of the regular activities overleaf. The Parish Council recently helped the Allotment Society host a Scarecrow Competition and I had the privilege of judging the best Scarecrow. There were some original and creative designs but this one caught my eye, so 'Donald Trump' has won two major contests this year!

The Parish Council will be hosting an event at the Village Hall again next year to commemorate VE day on 8th May 2025. Please save the date and keep an eye out for information nearer the time.

There are a range of issues that the Parish Council continues to work on, we have tried to give a flavor in this newsletter. If you would like to know more then please come along to our monthly meetings.

The Parish Council will be recruiting for administration and play area maintenance staff in January so please keep an eye out on the Parish noticeboards and website.

We always welcome any feedback or new ideas for our newsletter, so please get in touch with either me, or Caroline, our Parish Clerk, if there is anything you would like to raise.

Contact details are included on page 2.

**Simon Johnson**  
Parish Council Chairman



*More Colour in Laughton*



A couple of years ago the Parish Council purchased daffodil bulbs that were planted around Laughton to add some colour. These are looking lovely, so it has been decided to purchase 350 tulips and 500 more daffodils which are being planted, with the help of volunteers, throughout November. Hopefully these will make a colourful display in spring.



## Your Parish Council



### Notice of Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.15pm, Wednesday 11th December 2024 at the Village Hall, Firbeck Avenue, Laughton-en-le-Morthen S25 1YD. The agenda for this meeting will be on the Parish Council website by the Friday preceding the meeting or by request from the clerk. Minutes of previous meetings are also available on the website and are posted when they have been approved at the following months meeting. Please remember that we have a new website [www.laughtonparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.laughtonparishcouncil.gov.uk).

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My working days are

Monday to Thursday 10 am – 12.30 pm



## Regular Activities at Laughton Village Hall

Our newly refurbished Village Hall is available for hire. It is an ideal location for Weddings, Christenings, and parties. If you would like to book,

please contact Ann Mitchell - [anncm@live.co.uk](mailto:anncm@live.co.uk)

**Monday:** Toddler Playgroup 9.30 am to 11 am

Keep Fit - Spin 5.30 pm : Kettlebells 6 pm : Clubbercise 6.30 pm

**Tuesday:** Keep Fit - Spin 6 am : Bowling 5.15 pm to 7.45 pm

Home Schooling Group 10 am to 3 pm

**Wednesday:** Knit and Natter 9.30 am to 12.30 pm

Keep Fit - Spin 5.30 pm : Pilates 6 pm

**Thursday:** Keep Fit - Spin 5/50 6 am

Childrens' Dancing Group 5 pm to 6 pm

Toddler Playgroup 9.30 am to 11 am

**Friday:** Creative Stitiching 9.30 am to 3 pm

Metafit 5.30 pm : Spin 50/50 6 pm

**Saturday:** Keep Fit - Spin 9 am : Pilates 9.30 am



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## Laughton All Saints Church

### News from the Pews!

## All Saints' Church Christmas Services & Events

Friday 6th December 6.30pm

Festive Take-out & Quiz

(more details on website or Facebook)

Sunday 8th December 4pm

Christingle Service

(With gift donation collection for families first)

Sat 14th December 6.30pm

Carols round the tree with Maltby Miners Brass Band

(and possibly a visit from Santa!)

Sunday 22nd December 6pm

Traditional Carol Service

Christmas Eve

Crib service 4pm

Holy Communion 11.30pm

Christmas Day Service 9.30am at

St Bartholomew's Maltby

For more info please email the office

[allsaintslaughton@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintslaughton@gmail.com) or call 07943 222687

Festive Take-out tickets £7.50

Available from **Simon and Karen Johnson 07960 257085**

**Christingle:** If you are able to donate gifts to families in the Rotherham area, please wrap your gift and write on a corner the gender and age.

For any Baptism, Wedding enquires or details of any of the above service and events, please contact Jill: [allsaintslaughton@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintslaughton@gmail.com) or call 07943 222687



## Volunteers Needed Village Hall

We are looking for a new Treasurer at Laughton Village Hall from February. The Hall needs more volunteers so if you have a few hours to spare any help would be appreciated. Please contact the clerk if you would like to get involved.