March Newsletter

Dear Parishioners

**Proposed New Housing Development at Knight’s Hill**

Great news! The Borough Council’s Planning Committee voted unanimously to reject the development by Camland of 600 new homes at Knight’s Hill. I should like to thank the 200 residents who filled the meeting room and the adjacent Stone Hall for their presence and support for the opposition speakers during the debate. Thanks, are also due to those who over the last few weeks delivered leaflets and put up posters along the main traffic routes. South Wootton Parish Council has consistently opposed this, as well as the other major developments, since the Borough Council’s Core Strategy document in 2011highlighted the locations for development in South Wootton. The Parish Council would also like to thank the Parish Councils of North Wootton and Castle Rising for their support during this time.

However, a cautionary note, it is possible that the developer may appeal against the decision. If this does happen, it goes without saying that all three Parish Councils will lend support to the Borough Council to prevent the decision being overturned at any Inquiry.

**Norfolk Community Directory**

The Norfolk Community Directory (www.norfolk.gov.uk/directory) is an online directory that anyone can search for community clubs, groups and services across Norfolk.

People can search using key words or their location. They can narrow the results to get a list of organisations near their postcode or include the whole of Norfolk. With loneliness a big problem, if you know anyone who you think might benefit from using this service, please let them know.

With loneliness in mind, if you are looking for an activity to get you out of the house, why not go along to the Church Café, run every Thursday in St Mary’s Church from 9am till 12 noon, or pop in to the Wootton Crafters, which takes place in the Scouts and Guides HQ at Station Road, North Wootton. Bring your craft to share with others, or just call in for a coffee and a chat, everyone is welcome. The next sessions take place on 1st and 15th April. For more details contact woottoncrafters@gmail.com

**Parish Assembly**

As promised, a reminder that this year’s Parish Assembly will be held on **Friday, 12th April** **in the** **Village Hall commencing at 7 pm.**

Your sincerely

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