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Jack & the Beanstalk
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Your copy for the February/March issue to
David Thornley by Monday 23rd January please.



The Raymond "Bunny" Ware Shield
For best dahlia. Won by Mr. K & Mrs. O. Wareing.



Photo Brian Clarke

The allotments before cultivation



Photo Brian Clarke

After all the work.



Photo Richard Flint

Messrs Buck, Dudzinski, Flint and Boots launch the village website into cyber space on the 1st March using the local missile system.



The Parish Council are hoping that volunteers will come forward for the 'Snow Warden' scheme.

Your copy for the Feb/Mar issue to:
David Thomley, The Dower House, The Green,
Slingsby, York. YO62 4AQ
Tel: 01653 627210
Email: thetriangle@slingsbyvillage.co.uk
By MONDAY, 23rd JANUARY 2012

Happy Seasonal Greetings to you all. Thanks to the team and contributors who have supported The Triangle through its first year. Also to our advertisers, without their financial support we would be scuppered.

Christmas can be a difficult time for some, isolation and loneliness, the loss of a loved one since last Christmas. Broken the odd bridge with friends and neighbours? Get the Christmas Black & Decker out to help mend that bridge.

Keith.

David Thornley is producing the February 2012 issue of The Triangle. Write it, type it or email it to David's contact details.

Our Supermobile Library Service

Fortnightly from 4th November 2011

Slingsby - Fridays 2 - 4pm

The Green, adjacent to Porch House

The Supermobile stops are scheduled for one location, two hours in length, once a fortnight. The visit provides a valuable opportunity to bring together a wide range of community activities. It would be helpful if you were able to encourage other agencies, local groups, etc to work with us to broaden the range of services available to your local community during the afternoon of the Supermobile visit. It is our hope that the Supermobile can become a focal point to the advantage of local communities. The vehicle, which is DDA compliant (access for the disabled) provides around 3,000 items of stock, including books, videos, DVDs and audio books. Public access to the internet is also available via our satellite link which also provides full access to the library management system and council information.

Chrys Mellor Yorkshire Library Services.

Dear Keith,

It was good to meet you on the Supermobile at Slingsby, thanks for the Triangles.

I have been thinking about what we could do to interest people in using the facilities on the Supermobile.

I could arrange and deliver a basic computer course for people who have never used a computer before:

1. An introduction to the computer.
2. An introduction to the internet.
3. An introduction to e-mail.

These would be one and half to two hours sessions at the Slingsby stop. As you suggested these would have to be pre booked to make the best use of stop time.

Regards, *Louise Northrop-Clay*

e-mail: Louise.Northrop-Clay@northyorks.gov.uk

If you live in Fryton, South Holme or Slingsby but can't physically get to The Green to use the library or are interested in the computing lessons, contact me on 628211 or bucksawpit@brinternet.com and we will see what can be arranged.

Next visits: All on Fridays: 2nd Dec. 16th Dec. *No visit on the 30th Dec.* Jan 27th Jan. 10th Feb.

Your Delivery Crew

Fryton: Mick Singleton. South Holme: Fiona Farnell.

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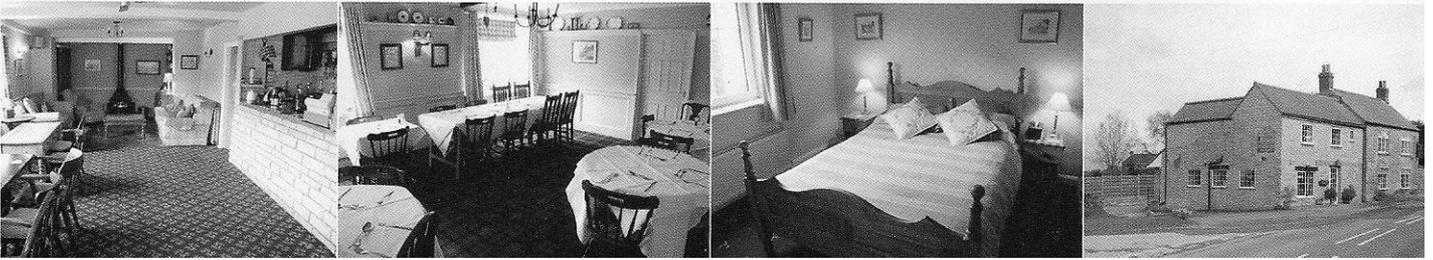
Railway Street (west side), Sue Birkbeck. Railway Street (east side), Pat Thompson.

Production Team: Keith Buck, Gwyn Green, **David Thornley** and Pat Thompson,

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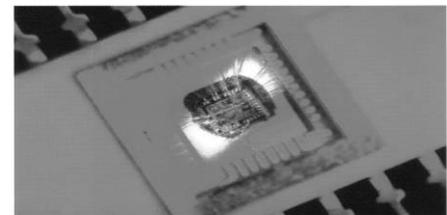
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Yorkshire Country Women's Association

The monthly meeting was held at the village hall on 11th Oct. The meeting was taken by Sue Birkbeck who welcomed 16 members and one guest. Shelagh Richards read the minutes of the previous meeting. Sue gave out all notices to members and the New Year lunch was discussed.

Sue Goodwill gave a talk on the Ampleforth Library and how she has spent 20 years sorting the books and told us about some of the aspects of being a Benedictine Monk.

Beryl Bramall gave the thanks and said how interesting and enjoyable the talk had been.

Shelagh and Beryl Queen were the hostesses for the evening.

The November meeting held in the village hall was attended by 20 members Pat Smurthwaite welcomed the members and Pat Ellener read the minutes of the last meeting. We then discussed topics from the newsletter i.e.- the YCA carol concert in December at the York Minster, we also decided on the venue for our New Year's meal.

Keith Goodchild gave a talk on life of the Lifeguards and The Household Cavalry. He gave a very good insight to this life explaining about the history and uniforms etc and how much work goes into looking after the horses, we all found it rather fascinating and could have listened to Keith for much longer. Sue Birkbeck gave the vote of thanks.

Hostesses were Nancy Coates and Beryl Bramall, who served us with coffee tea and biscuits. The next meeting will be held on the **13th December at 7.15pm** in the Village Hall. This will be our Christmas Party - a Beetle Drive no less. So do come along, members old and new, for a fun evening, contact Sue 627293 or Shelagh 628363.

Sue Birkbeck

Pins and Needles

Change of meeting and times:

The handicraft group is now getting together on the **first** and **third** Tuesday of the month, 2pm till 4pm.

Pat Smurthwaite (627272) is pleased meet all those who do enjoy practising their skills with others and those who wish to learn something new.

How the seasons are changing

At the end of August I planted some daffodil bulbs in troughs near my back door. In the middle of September they were showing green shoots and then, to my surprise, on 20th September I had one daffodil in full flower. This was followed by another beautiful daffodil and 2 buds on 1st October. I was not dreaming as Pat, Sheila, Sue and Beryl were called on to marvel at these 'spring' flowers.

What next I wonder?

Peggy Bagley

Important Changes to your Yellow Pages.

Dinah Farley, Parish Clerk

New email address:

slingsbypc@aol.co.uk

Village Hall

New secretary: **Christine Crouch**, 7, The Green Crescent,

Slingsby, York. YO62 4AB

Tel: 01653 628470

The Village Hall email address *is discontinued* at this time.

To your bios and amend, post haste!

SLINGSBY, SOUTH HOLME AND FRYTON PARISH COUNCIL

SNOW CLEARING

The Parish Council will be clearing snow, and gritting the main footpaths of the village this winter. This *may not* include Aspen Way and Sycamore Close.

If you live in these areas and would be willing to volunteer to help clear the footpaths during snowy weather, please contact the clerk for more details.

All equipment and insurance will be supplied.

Contact your Parish Clerk **Dinah Farley**, 48 Sycamore Close, Slingsby, York. YO62 4BG 01653 628858

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Saturday 3rd December 'Christmas Family Event' at the Methodist Church 3.30pm to 5.30pm. Games and carol singing etc followed by a bring and share tea.

Sunday 11th December 'A Christingle Service' at 4pm led by Jenny Boxwell and Louise Hayes. This will be followed by tea in the schoolroom.

Sunday 18th December Advent Service at 10.30am led by Rev Graham Sellars

Sunday 25th December. Christmas Day Family Service at 10.30am led by Stephen Prest

OTHER NEWS:

Children's and Young People's groups are now in full swing and going very well.

The following groups meet every Thursday in **term time**...

LITTLE ADVENTURERS led by Tamsin Smurthwaite 1.3-3.30pm. For children aged 0-4years. For more information contact Tamsin on 627176.

ADVENTURE CLUB. At the Chapel from 6 - 7pm. For children aged 4-11 years. Led by Rachel Prest (628277), Louise Hayes and Becky Ward. Over 20 children are attending from quite a wide area. They have a great time with games, singing and Bible stories.

YAZ (Youth Adventure Zone) for young people in years 6-9. This now meets weekly in the schoolroom and numbers are growing! Led by Linda and Ruth Stannard who can be contacted on 01653-691068.

Stephen Prest

Christmas Fayre

Friends of Slingsby School

Fill up your Christmas stockings at Slingsby's Christmas Fayre taking place *from 2pm in Slingsby Village Hall on Saturday, 3rd December.* It will be a great afternoon to get your Christmas shopping started (or indeed finished) and a craft stall will ensure your kids can make a festive treat for their loved ones. Teas, coffees and mince pies will be available.

Committee. Currently there are only three serving members on the FOSS Committee. Anyone who wishes to attend further meetings is very welcome - it is open to all residents of the village, *not only* those with children at the school. Anyone who wishes to attend further meetings is very welcome. We are committed to continue to raise funds for the children of Slingsby School. New thoughts and fresh ideas will help us continue to do this. Future meetings are scheduled for:

1st Dec, 11th Jan, 2nd Feb, 5th April, 3rd May, 7th June
Please contact:

friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk

For further information contact:

Rebecca Palmer-Bunting
01653 628298

Councillor Christine Crouch

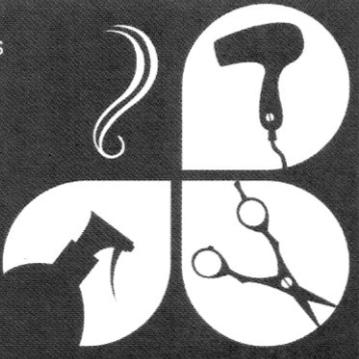
I came with my husband to live in Slingsby in 1999 from Leeds. After living in a city, I thought it would take a long time to be accepted in a village. That was not the case. We were immediately accepted. The people of Slingsby are lovely and when my husband died they gave me a lot of support. I love the village and the community and I feel that to be a Parish Councillor gives me the opportunity to be involved in helping to bring about beneficial changes (no matter how small some may be).

I became a Parish Councillor in May of this year, 2011. I have been on a couple of training sessions and am willing to learn everything I can. When I look back over the last few months, it is quite surprising how much I have learned already.

The Parish Council represents the community as a whole, acting where necessary as a link with other bodies etc. It becomes involved in improvement schemes through local projects. It works to bring about improvements to the quality of life and the environment by influencing long term developmental policies. The council helps to look after the village and community not only now but it helps to preserve the village for generations to come.

Thanks to Pat Thompson for organising this piece from Christine who is also Secretary for the Village Hall committee.

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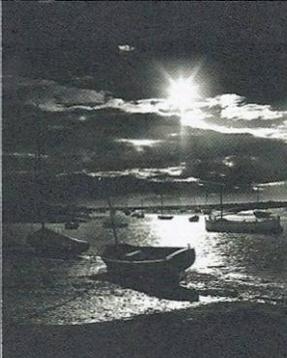
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Website News

The Slingsby Village Website continues to improve as the months go by. At the time of writing, the Slingsby website has had over 15,500 page views since it launched on 1st March – a remarkable achievement for any website. Visitors to the website are mainly from the UK but also from the USA, Australia, Turkey, Germany, Norway, Malaysia and Dubai, South Korea, Canada, China, and India. This month the team launched the 'Photo of the Month' feature on the website. On the 8th of every month, the website will publish a photograph taken in or around the Parish. Best of all, we'd like the photographs to come from the community itself. So if you are a bit of a photographer, why not send a picture to us. Maybe you have a great photograph that you'd like to share with everyone. You could even shoot something especially for the 'Photo of the Month' feature. Photographs can be sent to:

slingsbyphoto@gmail.com.

We are also looking for photography submissions to help build a community based photographic archive using the village's Flickr account. The archive, at the time of writing, has 77 images to view but we want to add many more. Photographs from the recently digitised Wormald Collection are going to be added to our Flickr page over the coming weeks and months. We are indebted to Rosemary Wormald for releasing many photographs, so that they could be digitised.

We would also like your help! If you have ANY interesting images of the parish that you would like to contribute to this growing archive then you can send them to the e-mail address given above. We are especially looking for any old photographs of the parish that may be out there. We have an opportunity to build a unique, community based, photographic archive that will cover all aspects of village and parish life throughout the years. Further submission details can be found on the photo gallery page of the website.

Finally, the website comments function has been enabled, as part of a trial lasting until the end of 2011, so that website viewers can have their say. At the moment we've limited this function to the news and events section (new posts only) but if the comment boxes prove popular, we will extend them into other areas of the website.

Richard Flint for the website team

Visit your website at:

www.slingsbyvillage.co.uk

Sports Club Harvest Festival boosts Yorkshire Air Ambulance

The annual Harvest Festival held in the Sports Club on 8th October was enjoyed by over 50 people. As well as harvest hymn singing and slightly irreverent readings from once a year 'vicar' Mike Coates, there was bingo, a raffle, a pie and pea supper and an auction of baking and produce.

All proceeds were for the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and as usual people were extremely generous and almost £450 was raised. The Sports Club added a donation to make the total up to £500 for the night.

Thanks to all who contributed financially or donated prizes to the event.

The staff at Yorkshire Air Ambulance was notified of the sum raised and in turn advised us that this money will bring the total amount raised and donated to the charity by the Sports Club to just over **£7000**.

A representative from the charity will be coming to Slingsby in mid November to formally receive the cheque and acknowledge the contributions made by Club Members.

Bonfire night yet again was a big success. The bonfire was lit at 6.30pm and fireworks at 7pm. Thanks go to all who donated in the buckets at the gate where we collected just under £1000. The tombola raised £134. The BBQ was served all night. A big thank you to everyone who helped in anyway. All money raised goes towards next years display.

Sports Club Committee

Carol Concert.
Slingsby Sports Club
December 24th at 9pm

Slingsby Sports and Social Club

Dave Calvert
01653 628268

Slingsby Football Club
Sec. Sarah Bradshaw
01653 628334

Training every Wednesday & Thursday

Village Hall

To celebrate the 80th anniversary of the Slingsby Village Hall an Irish Night (Shilleleagh) was held on 22nd October. The event proved a great success and £619.78 was made towards the Village Hall funds.

The Village Hall Committee worked hard to make the evening a success and prepared a delicious meal which everybody enjoyed.

A big thank you goes to Paddy Morrow and his friends for providing the entertainment. Thanks also to Jayne Goldsmith from Slingsby and Adam Wright from Fryton. They all gave brilliant performances.

Thanks go to Debbie Firby of Fryton for very kindly providing the bunting for the evening and to David and Linda Wright for their help with the cleaning up and washing up.

With a building this size, there is always something to be done. The main hall floor requires specialist work to be carried out every ten years and that time is coming shortly. One of the boundary fences is in need of replacing so the Committee has to constantly raise funds.

This year £200 was donated by the Produce Show Committee which was gratefully received.

Fund raising events which are up and coming are:

Christmas home baked produce delivered to your home on 10th December. (Forms have been distributed and should be returned by 26th November).

Bingo evening on 17th December 2011 at 7.15pm.

Panto - Jack and the Beanstalk - 8th January 2012 at 4pm. £6 to include tea and mince pies.

The Village Hall is there for everyone to use and enjoy and it is important to look after it and preserve it for generations to come.

The Committee would welcome new members so if you are interested please get in touch.

*Christine Crouch, Secretary,
Slingsby Village Hall Committee -
Tel: 01653 628470*

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those wishing to improve their skills.

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Works to Mediaeval Cross slab In All Saints Church.

At the Slingsby Local history weekend early this year Dr Alex McLain from York University gave a short illustrated talk on Medieval Cross slabs in the North of England. Cross slabs are ancient grave covers or memorials marked with crosses, some dating back to Celtic times. Slingsby Church has a number, mostly embedded in the church walls at the base of the tower, taken from the original church before it was rebuilt. The largest and most important though is to be found inside the church alongside the gravestone and effigy of the Wyvill Knight. It is not clear whose grave it marks. Some think it may be Sir John Fons, a 16th Century rector of all Saints but there is no definite evidence for this and the slab itself, which is in two parts, dates from much earlier, probably the 13th Century.

In his 1905 book 'Slingsby and Slingsby Castle', Arthur St Clair Brooke, the then Rector of Slingsby describes this ancient slab in some detail and says "*...When the church was being rebuilt a skeleton was found underneath the slab enclosed in a stone coffin, also a massive gold ring having a death's head and cross bones in solid gold set in white enamel in the middle with blue enamel at the sides. A portion of the white enamel crumbled away on being exposed to the air. The ring was not re-interred, but given to Lord Lanerton for the museum at Castle Howard but where it is now no one seems to know....*"

Parts of the large cross slab have now deteriorated through dampness and LEADER funding for Small Scale Heritage Enhancements has enabled us to put in a special lead tray to protect the stone from rising damp and to carry out limestone shelter coating to protect the damaged surfaces from further damage. To do this, it was necessary to lift the slab. Underneath it a high quality medieval stone coffin was found, with a few remaining bones in it bearing out Mr Brooke's account. The cross slab is now restored in its original position, thanks to Burrows Davies, Stonemasons. Next time you are in the church please take a look at it. It is undoubtedly about the oldest known item on view in Slingsby.

The PCC has plans to make more of the rest of this area of the church with information for visitors, for register signings at weddings and for those who would like a quiet area for contemplation at other times.

Renovation of the Slingsby Funeral Bier.

With the help of LEADER funding for Small Scale Heritage Enhancements and John Apps at JRA Woodworking we have been able to restore the village bier which will be on display in the church very soon. The Slingsby bier is a Victorian model of high quality design, *very comfortably sprung*. The use of village biers declined with cremation becoming more widespread and people no longer being taken straight from their home to their funeral service and burial. There are still a number of people in the village who will remember the bier being used in the 1950s and 60s. The bier, which belongs to the Parish Council, is to be on display in the church very soon, with more information about its history.

Margaret Mackinder

OPEN MORNING AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH SLINGSBY.

Saturday 10th December 10 - 11.30am. .

With coffee and mince pies.

All members of the congregation and village residents are invited to attend. With all members of the PCC to attend who are able please. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss proposed minor changes and improvements inside the church, and outside in the churchyard. The outside changes include: the establishment of an additional memorial ashes area, as the present dedicated area is now full, and the continuing problem of the collapsed boundary wall. The PCC would like to hear your views.

Christmas Eve

4.15pm Candle Service at All Saints', Slingsby.

9.00pm 'Anticipated' Midnight Mass at All Saints, Hovingham

Christmas Day

10.30am Family Worship followed by short Holy Communion at All Saints' Slingsby

Slingsby School

Wednesday 7th December the school will be hosting an open morning for parents, relatives and friends to come and see the children at work. To complete the morning we are inviting all visitors to come and share a finger buffet, lunch held in the Reading Rooms that adjoin the school. We would love to welcome neighbours and residents of the village to join us. In order to have an idea of numbers we would like anyone who is interested to collect a ticket from school free of charge. Tickets will be available in school from the 18th November.

Local History Group

Dates booked for local history meetings in the Village Hall Committee Room are for 7.30pm - 9pm Tuesday 17th January, and Tuesday 21st February.

Saturday 10th December 1 - 3 pm. A map session in the Village Hall. All residents are welcome. Bring along any historical maps you may have so that we can all look at them, and share the information on them. Don't worry if you have no maps, please come along anyway and see what we have. Your memories are the most valuable asset the village has. This will be particularly useful for John's work on field boundary patterns and for our planned Farming History weekend in March.

Also bring along any photos or perhaps newspaper cuttings about the war years in Slingsby. I've just found out that the area round the castle was all huts and tents. Where Green Crescent is now was an army field kitchen and the Village Hall, the canteen. The Dower House (then Southcott) a billet for Canadian Air Force officers.

The Hall is also booked for the proposed local history weekend on farming on the 17th/18th March 2012. Keith Group Leader: margaret@mackinders.demon.co.uk

Ryedale War Memorials

The Ryedale Family History Group is in receipt of a Heritage Lottery Grant, some of which is to be spent on researching War Memorials. The idea is to produce a booklet for each parish or community which provides information about how the memorial was designed, built and funded, and to give a pen picture of each individual listed on the memorial. This will include information about where, when and how they died, where they are buried, about the family they left behind and their circumstances. As far as possible, photos will be included.

If anyone has ancestors on a memorial that they are willing to share information about, please make contact as below. Even better, if anyone is interested in helping with the research, contact me: by e-mail at pab37@btinternet.com or telephone at 01904492712. Thank you.

Peter Braithwaite



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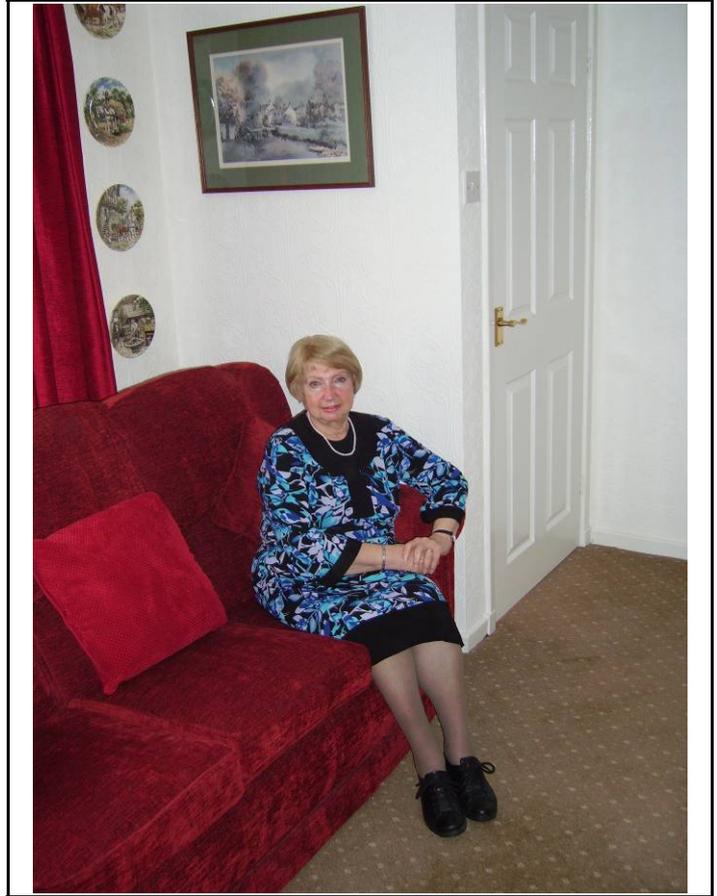


The audience enjoy the interval meal prepared by Trudy Carr and her team.

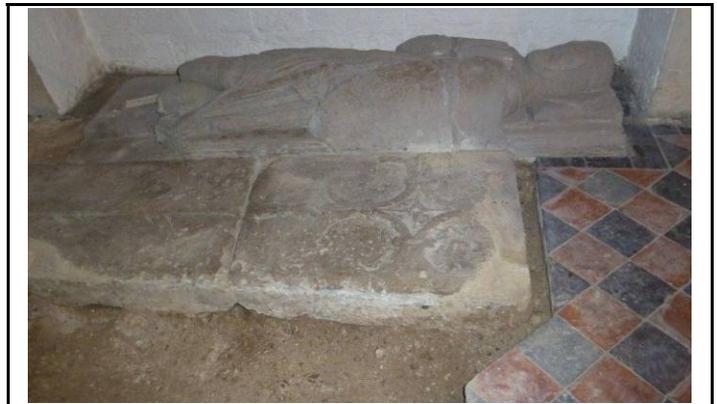


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Christine Crouch



Our newest Parish Councillor; Christine is also Secretary for the Village Hall. (See page 6)



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