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## Editor's note

Whether you've been visiting the coast, exploring the countryside or staying close to home, we hope that you've been able to enjoy the summer months.

While *Roundabout* may have taken a short seasonal break, life in the parish certainly hasn't come to a halt. One of our highlights was the Woodhouse Eaves Yard Sale, organised by Jo and the team at the Good Neighbour Scheme. While the morning's weather was *mostly* fine, the day itself was an all-out success – read more about it below – and we truly hope it becomes a regular village fixture.

Speaking of annual events, September brings two more community favourites: The Woodhouse Eaves Horticultural and Craft Show opens its doors once again on Saturday, 7th September, while the Community Picnic – another Good Neighbour Scheme event – takes place on Sunday, 15th September. We hope to see you at those!

This month's *Roundabout* features news from MOD Garats Hay about its current operation and longer-term future; we say a fond farewell to a popular village shop and its proprietor, and we learn how 'edimentals' may make your flower beds tastier than ever.

Do get in touch with your news, reviews and events – we'd love to hear from you: [roundabout@woodhouse-eaves.co.uk](mailto:roundabout@woodhouse-eaves.co.uk)

David McClelland

## Parish council news

### Dog fouling

There seems to be an incredible increase in dog fouling around the villages. Please can we reiterate for you to pick it up and bin it. Please stop leaving your bags around to pick up on your return as they are being forgotten. Dog fouling laws are in place first and foremost because dog faeces are unsightly and unpleasant; not only does it look nasty and smell nasty, but it also causes a nasty mess if you step in it, cycle through it, push a wheelchair through it, drive a mobility scooter through it or even worse fall in it. Also, it is very dangerous to children.

### Little Libraries – calling book lovers

We are looking for a volunteer to monitor and replenish the books every now and again in the Little Library in Woodhouse by the entrance of Beaumanor Hall. We have two super volunteer librarians in Woodhouse Eaves who will be happy to support you in the role. Please do get in touch if you would be interested.

## **Quarterly meetings to be held in Woodhouse Community Hall**

In July, we held the first of the quarterly meetings that Woodhouse Parish Council is holding at Woodhouse Community Hall. It was well attended by Woodhouse residents – and, as was publicly stated at the meeting, very much appreciated.

Concerns were raised about the fatal and non-fatal accidents in the village during the last 12 months or so. Reports of the regular use of excessive speed were received. The parish council has written to our county councillor to voice the concerns of parishioners to highways, together with a request that a traffic-speed monitoring system be put in place through the village in order to ascertain the extent of the problem.

The following points were also raised as matters needing attention:

1. On the approach from Quorn to Woodhouse, there is an illuminated sign on the left warning of a bad bend. This has been out of action for approximately one year.
2. Road markings along Woodhouse/Forest Road are wearing thin and in need of remarking.
3. Roadside signage is poorly positioned and overgrown with shrubbery.
4. More safety features to show the curvature of the road should be given consideration. An excellent example would be the good work by Leicestershire County Council where they have positioned recycled, reflective plastic posts; these appear on Woodhouse Lane where it becomes Breakback at the bottom of Deans Lane.
5. A pedestrian crossing sited at St Marys Church should be considered. This area is used extensively by pedestrians, particularly when there are weddings, funerals and church services, and at weekends by younger people involved in Duke of Edinburgh award schemes.
6. Also, a pedestrian crossing located near the mini roundabout would allow pedestrians to cross safely to Beaumanor Hall from the pavement. In addition to providing access to Beaumanor Hall, it would also provide safe access to the bus stop and other footpaths. As there is no pavement on the Beaumanor Hall side when walking through Woodhouse, it is necessary to cross the road at this location.

Needless to say, pedestrian crossings would improve safety for walking and crossing the road as well as ensuring a reduction in the speed of traffic.

## **Broombriggs Windmill**

Thank you to everyone who has completed the questionnaire about the Windmill at Broombriggs. We have had a very good response. The parish council working group is reading through the responses and looking at the next steps. As soon as we have further information, we will communicate it here in Roundabout.

## **Pavilion storage**

Installation of the pre-sectioned building adjacent to the K6 footpath has been completed. We are now using it for storage.

## **Charnwood Police Beat Surgery**

Don't forget to put the next beat surgery in your diary to meet our local PCSO Jade Martin.

- Tuesday, 22nd October at 2:00pm at the Village Hall, Woodhouse Eaves

This is such a good opportunity to discuss your neighbourhood concerns and any parking issues. We hope to see you there!

## **Community Café**

Don't forget to pop along to the Community Café every Tuesday from 2.00pm to 4:30pm in the Village Hall, Woodhouse Eaves. Meet other villagers over a cuppa. This is for all ages, babies and children are welcome too.

## **Facebook page**

Please keep in touch and visit our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/WoodhousePC/](http://www.facebook.com/WoodhousePC/)

## **Parish council meetings**

Please note the next parish council meeting is to be held on Monday, 2nd September 2024 at 6.45pm at the Village Hall, Main Street, Woodhouse Eaves. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please contact me with any news or issues at [clerk@woodhouseparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@woodhouseparishcouncil.org.uk) You can also phone the office on (01509) 891 299.

If you wish to book one of the halls for a group activity or a weekend party/event, please visit our website:

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# Charnwood Borough Council news

## Charnwood Local Plan

A consultation is underway over proposed changes to the draft Charnwood Local Plan 2021-37 as the process to develop it reaches an advanced stage. The draft local plan provides a robust strategy for growth in Charnwood and identifies how the borough will meet government targets for new homes, as well as providing employment land and critical infrastructure. It will also help safeguard the environment.

Several phases of consultation have been carried out in recent years and the plan is currently being scrutinised by planning inspectors in the examination phase. Following a series of public hearings, there is now a consultation on some proposed changes, or main modifications. The closing date for the consultation is 5pm on Wednesday, 4th September.

When the consultation ends, the planning inspectors will consider any comments made, before writing a report to the council. The council can then consider adopting it.

For more information about the consultation and details of how to take part, please visit [www.charnwood.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.charnwood.gov.uk/localplan)

## Woodhouse Eaves fly-tipping: fines issued

Two fines totalling £800 have been issued following reports of fly-tipping in Charnwood. The borough council is continuing to act against those illegally dumping waste in the area. People are also being encouraged to reporting issues to Charnwood Borough Council. If you spot a fly-tip in Charnwood or fly-tipping taking place, please report it using the council's online form.

For me, it was particularly pleasing to see one of the people fined was for fly-tipping domestic waste on Deans Lane, Woodhouse Eaves. This was reported to the council on June 10th, 2024; the fly-tip of black bags and cardboard boxes also contained evidence linking it to an individual from Loughborough who admitted the offence, leading to a £400 fixed penalty notice.

People have a legal duty of care to take all reasonable steps to ensure their waste is disposed of in the correct way. This includes using authorised waste carriers to dispose of waste and making sure the carrier has a license from the Environment Agency. You can find out more details on the council's website about authorised waste carriers. From July 1st 2024 the fixed penalty notice rates for fly-tipping have increased from £400 to £1000.

## **Charnwood Small Community Grants**

A quick reminder that Charnwood Small Community Grants are now available from Charnwood Borough Council. These have replaced the Member Grant Scheme. In the past, I was able to help local groups obtain funding for different types of projects that benefitted local communities within my ward.

The new Charnwood Small Community Grants programme can provide up to £750 for the activities of properly constituted Voluntary and Community organisations and projects in Charnwood, including organisational running costs and projects (for up to one year) and one-off contributions for equipment costs for projects with community benefit.

## **Herrick Almshouses**

One of my responsibilities since elected as the borough councillor for Forest Bradgate is being the council's representative as a trustee at the Herrick Almshouses, Forest Road, Woodhouse. The building has four separate cottages, built in 1856 at the request of Miss Perry Herrick, and still fully occupied today.

Along with my fellow trustees, we face the challenges of keeping this Grade II listed building in good condition, within the constraints of limited resources. Recently, one of these challenges has been dealing with the consequences of subsidence due to the roots of adjacent trees causing cracks in the walls and ceiling of two of the cottages. You may have noticed two trees have been felled at the side of the building, remedial works continue to repair the damage caused to the cottages.

If any resident is interested in learning more about the Almshouses, or in joining the trustees as a community trustee, please get in touch.

David Snartt, Borough Councillor, Forest Bradgate.

## **Leicestershire County Council news**

### **Ofsted**

Children and Family Services in Leicestershire have been rated as Outstanding by Ofsted. In a report published on 12th July, inspectors praised the work to build 'strong and long-lasting relationships' with children and families which leads to many families achieving 'positive changes' in their lives. They also said a culture has been created by Leicestershire County Council's Children and Family Services which puts the 'experiences and progress of children at the heart of social work practice.'

Their report follows a three-week in-depth inspection in April. The deep dive included inspectors speaking to some children and their parents and carers and interviewing staff across the department. They also looked at the work to protect and safeguard children, work that enables families to stay together, and the experiences and progress of both children in care and care leavers.

The impact of leaders on social work and practice of all front-line staff who work directly with children, young people and their families was also put under the spotlight.

As lead member for the service at the county council, I am absolutely delighted to have received an outstanding rating. This judgement is testament to the incredible efforts of staff, managers, and partners who work tirelessly to improve outcomes for children and families here in Leicestershire.

I am also grateful for the support and feedback families have given us which has helped shape the way we do things.

## **Nick Rushton**

The leader of Leicestershire County Council, Nick Rushton, informed the county council at the meeting on 10th July, that he had been diagnosed with cancer and will soon be undergoing treatment.

Nick will be taking a step back as leader whilst he has his treatment and to take some time to recover. During this period, as deputy leader, I will be stepping up to be acting leader of the county council.

*If you have any issues or concerns, I'm here to help. My new number for all residents to contact me directly is (0116) 305 4859.*

Deborah Taylor  
County Councillor, Bradgate Division  
Acting Leader, Leicestershire County Council

## **News in brief**

### **The Inaugural Woodhouse Eaves Yard Sale**

Sunday, 7th July saw the first village-wide Woodhouse Eaves Yard Sale. Run in conjunction with the Good Neighbour Scheme and Woodhouse Eaves Plastic Free, its aim was to run a fun village event to get people together, and to promote re-use, up-cycling and re-distribution of all of those items that are clogging up our garages and lofts. There are things in my garage that haven't come out of the moving box – and we've lived here 13 years now!



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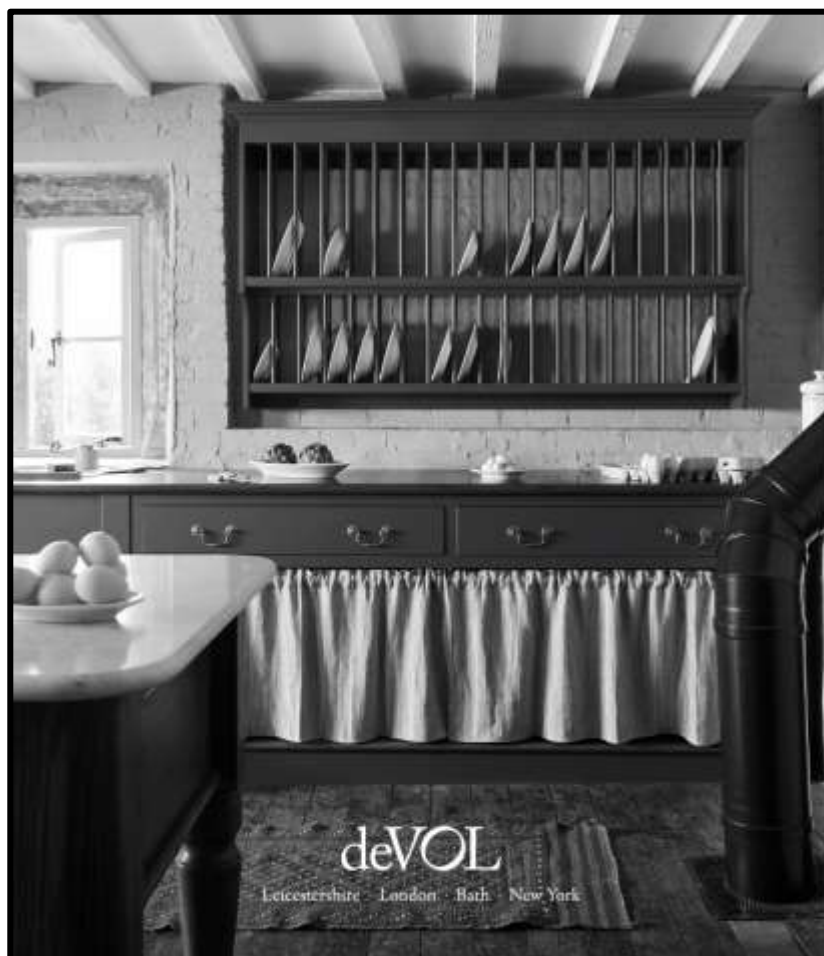
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I am pleased to say that the day was a great success. The village was a hive of activity all morning; 48 households took place and were delivered a large beanpole and flag to mark them out along the road. First came the car-boot sale traders and professionals (hoping that arriving early would grab them a bargain) then the local families browsing, buying and chatting to neighbours.

There were a couple of cake stalls along the way, keeping people fuelled for more shopping and walking, proceeds of which went to raise funds for the Good Neighbour Scheme for our running costs throughout the year. The day raised over £500 for the scheme from entrance fees from stall holders, cake sales and a couple of generous donations, which is really wonderful and will be a great help to fund the scheme for the following year.



Cakes, collectables and community: the village yard sale had all three in spades.

Thank you to everyone who was involved – being willing to have a stall, helping to organise the day, making cakes, and coming along to make it a great success. Discussions have already been held about Yard Sale 2025 so please get in touch if you would like to get involved or if you have any suggestions for improvements next year.

Jo Atkinson

### **A fond farewell to Fiona at Agora**

On July 20th, Woodhouse Eaves residents bid goodbye to general store owner, Fiona Gregson. She closed Agora for the final time with sadness but also with optimism for future adventures that lay ahead.

Fiona opened Agora on 14th July 2019, a year after making the bold decision to buy the village newsagent and general store from Martin Clark on his retirement. She set about developing the store into a place where the local community could find quality products focusing on taste, small producers, and locally grown goods wherever possible.

Within a few weeks the shelves were filling up with new ranges which were enjoyed by many. Then, Covid and the pandemic struck, and Fiona's plans

had to be put on hold. In collaboration with other groups, such as the Good Neighbour Scheme, Fiona continued to supply local households with groceries, delivering them personally throughout that challenging period. As things slowly improved, she was able to continue to develop Agora. Throughout her five years at Agora, Fiona was also a great community supporter, among other things selling tickets for The Beacon Players and Woodhouse Open Gardens, and running special, seasonal 'gourmet fairs' encouraging other local businesses to publicise and sell their wares.

Sadly, in February this year, Fiona made the difficult decision to close Agora. In her time running the shop she has enjoyed the support and encouragement of many local friends. However, she recognises that it's time to focus on new horizons and confidently tells me that she is considering a range of new business opportunities yet to come to fruition.



Fiona Gregson with farewell card.

You may not know that the shop name of 'Agora' translates from Greek as 'meeting or gathering place.' So, with happy memories of good chats and jollity, we send Fiona our thanks and our best wishes certain that we will meet again in the future.

Jane Futcher for *Roundabout*

## **MOD Garats Hay update**

It has been a while since we have been able to give you an update from MOD Garats Hay. As you may know, the current operation has extended well beyond the dates we first communicated to you last November. We are still seeing a flow of Afghan families and individuals come through the site, and current planning suggests that it is likely our support to the Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy will continue for up to 18 months. The numbers onsite are expected to remain at the current level of circa 250 individuals plus approximately 50 supporting staff consisting of service personnel and contractors.

We are aware that there have been concerns locally about some behaviours of individuals when they are out and about in the local area. The team onsite work hard to give the education and cultural awareness training needed to support their integration into UK society, but if you do have any concerns, we would ask that you report these to us immediately so that they can be addressed.

Looking beyond the current operation, I can confirm that Strategic Command are retaining use of Garats Hay in the future, with specific timings still to be confirmed.

In other news, we have a new member of our team, Sergeant Kev Hanbury, who has come to us from 299 Signal Squadron at Bletchley Park. Heather Neep will be stepping down as head of establishment on 1st September as she has been given the opportunity to undertake the Advance Command and Staff Course at the Defence Academy. In her absence Major Wayne Fielding will become the head of establishment.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support over the past 10 months. Your kind donations of clothing and toys have brought much joy to those passing through the site, and the ladies particularly enjoyed their coffee and knitting mornings up at the village hall. We would welcome further donations – we always need trainers, warm coats, wool, knitting needles and children's toys.



Heather, Wayne and Kev  
Strategic Command, MOD Garats Hay

A thank you card made by  
one of the children onsite.

### **Beware: car thieves are operating in our villages**

You may be aware that there have been a number of car thefts and thefts from cars over the last few months.

PCSO 6144 Jade Martin has advised us that there was no sign of forced entry. This means that the vehicles may have been left unlocked, or some of the newer vehicles with keyless entry fobs can have the key codes downloaded onto a device used by criminals.

The recommendations for preventing vehicle related thefts are:

- Keep your car locked
- Ring 999 if you observe individuals trying door handles.
- Don't leave valuables obvious in your vehicle.
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## Little Library by the pharmacy

We have finally managed to get the Little Library by the pharmacy in Woodhouse Eaves refurbished and back in situ. It was a windy day and the sails were whizzing round, which was great to see.

Its design is based on the original Post Mill on Windmill Hill, circa 1830; this ground wheat to make flour used to bake bread which would have been the locals' staple diet. The sacks of flour would have been carried down the hill by horse and cart along tracks that are still in evidence today.

If you're up there look for the large pointed stone with two holes in it. This enabled a rope to be used as a pulley to help with the heavy loads and allowed the horse and cart to descend safely.

I would like to thank John and Joan Bertram for dismantling the Little Library and bringing it up to my house, then subsequently re-installing it. I would also like to thank my neighbour Chris Brown for doing the artwork, including the Girl Guide emblem.

Janet Whitmore, Little Library by the pharmacy  
Joan Bertram, Little Library by the village hall  
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For one night only, the Beacon Players gave a performance of Gothic murder-mystery, *Deadly Deeds at Dithering Depths*. Dowager, Lady Dithering, has been found brutally slain just before the gong sounds for dinner. Local GP Dr Mclew (Mark Temple) suspects foul play (along with some cringing puns), but who could have committed the heinous crime?



Whodunnit? The Beacon Players.

Suspects abound: there's the dowager's wastrel of a son, Wilberforce (Andy Stowell) who is always short of the readies; the dowager's ward, Emily Cringe (Louise Stowell) who is poised to make a disastrous engagement to wealthy bounder, Sir Clifford Richardson (Mark Blatherwick) – not if the stern and po-faced

governess, Jane Eyrie (Jenny Hargreaves) has anything to do with things, however. But she's being mithered by the 'oh too pious' Rev. Obadiah Brethren (Mick Swinfield) who wants to save her from sin. Then there is the dowager's oldest friend, Lady Caroline Mouton (Sian Mollart) – *Ewe* can't imagine how distraught she is by the murder. Finally, we have two mysterious guests in good time girl, Priscilla Blackchuck (Hilary Ayling) and the mysterious Spanish Count Carlos de Feites (David Fuller).

Motives abound with greed, hatred, jealousy and the desire to get hold of the fabulous Dithering diamonds. But, by the end of the evening, justice prevails. After much deliberation with the audience, the doctor was able to hand the guilty party over to the authorities before slander and innuendo destroyed everyone's reputation completely.

Oh, and who dunnit ? Ahh well, that would be telling...

Mark Temple

## Forthcoming events

### Little Owls Preschool Coffee Morning Fundraiser

We are holding a coffee morning fund raiser on Friday, 6th September at 10.30am at the Royal Oak, High Street Quorn in aid of Little Owl Preschool. Unlimited tea, coffee and cake! £10 per person on entry.

## **The Arts Society Charnwood: 'Treasures of the Black Tent – Antique Tribal Rugs and Dowry Weavings of the Persian Asian Nomads'.**

The Arts Society Charnwood's exciting new programme for 2024/25 begins with specialist presenter: Brian MacDonald. Thursday, 12th September, 7.15pm for 7.45pm at Woodhouse Eaves Village Hall. New members welcome, visitors £10 at the door.

## **Community Picnic – Sunday, 15th September, 12.00 to 4.00pm**

Run by the Good Neighbour Scheme, the Community Picnic is back for its fourth year. Come and join us on the King George V playing field for an afternoon of food and fun together. Bring your own picnic. Live music, cake stall, games and craft activities provided to enjoy.

## **Community Café – Access Group Afternoon, Tuesday, 24th September**

In September, the Community Café is moving back to the Village Hall, Woodhouse Eaves, and will be open every Tuesday afternoon from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Tuesday, 24th September at the café will be a special afternoon, with activities organised by the Access Group based in Loughborough. Come along with a friend – children are welcome too – and make sure you don't miss the fun!

## **Coffee Morning – Wednesday, 25th September, 10.00am to 12.00pm**

In aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, at St Leonard's Church, Swithland. Stalls featuring greetings cards and books, pre-loved costume jewellery and scarves, and a raffle. Plus Hathern Coffee Roasters, Janice Ramsay's handmade cakes and chocolates.

## **Fish 'n' Chip 'Quiz Nite' – Saturday, 12th October, 7.00pm**

It's almost time for the annual St Paul's Church 'Quiz Nite' at the Village Hall, Woodhouse Eaves. Fish 'n' chip supper, bring your own drinks, glasses, knives and forks. Teams of 4 to 6 people. Need a team? Don't worry – we'll match you up! Tickets £15 from Oakwood Pharmacy.

## **Woodhouse Bingo and Supper Night – Friday, 23rd November, 7.00pm**

All welcome to the Woodhouse pre-Christmas Bingo and supper night; chilli and rice, or veggie and non-chilli options. Bingo prizes and a raffle with profits towards our proposed children's play area. Bring your own drinks.

Woodhouse Community Hall, doors open 7.00pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Tickets £15 in advance from Alison: 07920 727626 or [alisonmichalska@icloud.com](mailto:alisonmichalska@icloud.com)

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## September in the cottage garden

As regular readers will know, I always write one month ahead. So, as I write this at the beginning of August, it's a hot sunny day outside and we have a summer at last! It has been a challenging one to say the least. Persistent, often heavy rain and cool temperatures in late spring/early summer meant that many plants were late flowering and some struggled to exist at all. On the vegetable patch things were worse – not only were things slow, but when plants did attempt to put on some growth, they were quickly gobbled up by what at times seemed like an ever-multiplying army of slugs and snails!

Thankfully, the garden is almost back to normal for the time of year and I am harvesting a good crop of tomatoes, beans and courgettes. The sweet peas (which like plenty of water) have produced a bumper crop, so too have soft fruits like raspberries and gooseberries. My freezer is almost full! The roses, having bloomed magnificently in June, are on their second flush of flowers, and the new gravel garden is coming on nicely, planted up with some lovely new plant finds from the RHS shows and plant fairs I have been lucky enough to visit this summer.

### In the cottage garden

The beginning of autumn is probably the best time to lift, divide and replant clumps of perennials, after flowering has finished and while the soil is still warm. Before you do, collect ripe seed from your favourite varieties and store in paper envelopes ready to sow in the spring. If you still have any gaps in your borders, fill with some late-flowering perennials such as sedum and rudbeckia to provide nectar for pollinating insects into autumn.

It is a good time to sow hardy annuals for early flowers next year. I find those varieties that do particularly well when sown at this time are varieties of ammi, cerinthes, and cornflower. You can also start to plant spring bulbs now such as crocus, daffodils, hyacinths and bluebells. Take cuttings from half-hardy annuals such as salvias in case they don't survive the winter. Alternatively, you can lift them into a pot and overwinter them in a greenhouse. Finally, keep summer bedding in pots and hanging baskets going until the first frosts by regularly dead heading and feeding. This also applies to annuals in the borders such as cosmos and dahlias.

### In the vegetable garden

Prune out all the fruiting canes of summer raspberries, cutting down to the base and tie-in new canes to supports. Pot up non-hardy herbs, such as parsley and chives, and place on a sunny windowsill to use during the

winter. Lift maincrop potatoes, dry them off and store in hessian or paper sacks. Start sowing hardy varieties of broad bean and plant shallot and onion sets in a sunny spot so as the tip just shows above the soil. Pick apples and pears before the autumn winds blow them off. And cut off trusses of unripe tomatoes to ripen indoors. Alternatively, make green tomato chutney (my friend makes a delicious one).

## Edimentals

'Edimentals' is a new and fashionable term for growing flowers and vegetables together in your garden. Although to many this may seem a new and innovative way of growing food, particularly if you don't have the room for a separate vegetable patch or access to an allotment, it is actually a return to the old way of vegetable growing, typical of the traditional cottage garden.

Here are some tips if you fancy having a go mixing edible with ornamental:

Grow more perennial or cut-and-come-again varieties of vegetable like lettuce, rhubarb, artichokes and some kales. This way you can continue to harvest them without having to dig them up or replace them with something else. Harvest the value of self-seeders such as herbs like coriander, parsley and borage and some varieties of onion. You can also make use of any

vertical space with edibles such as peas and climbing beans. Instead of herbaceous shrubs, plant soft fruit shrubs such as gooseberries and blueberries. You can also fill pots with edibles, which often make quite attractive plants as well.

Even if you add only one or two edible plants to your garden it has benefits. Not only do many varieties of edibles look attractive and provide added food for pollinators, they can encourage a pleasure many of us no longer indulge in, that of foraging. What could be better than walking around the garden of an evening picking and savouring a pod of peas or a leaf or two of spicy coriander!

Enjoy!

Jo Poultney

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# Quiz Nite

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October, 7.00 pm  
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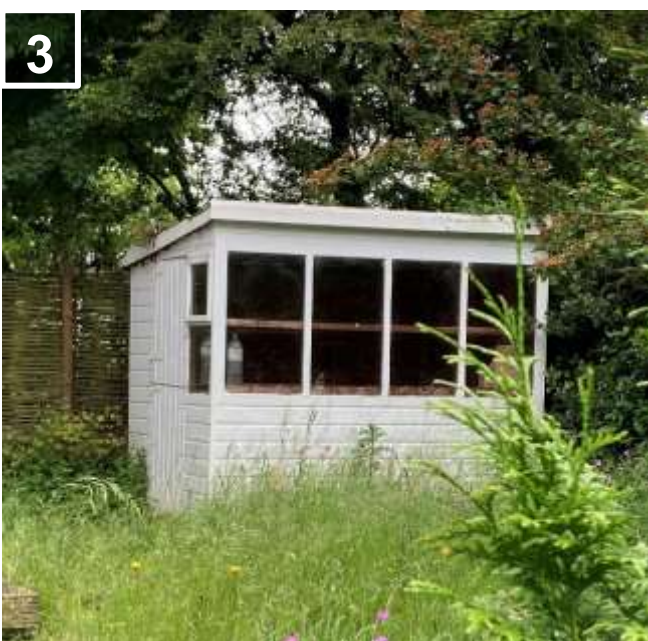
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# How well do you know your village?

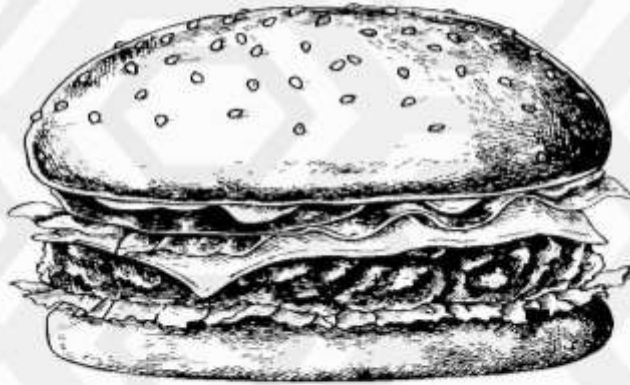
This month's pictures are for Woodhouse readers (I'm sorry, I do tend to favour Woodhouse Eaves – that's because I know it better!). I expect some places will be familiar to everyone, others not so. Do you know where they are? Answers inside the back cover as usual.

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### Answers to 'How well do you know your village?' quiz

Picture 1: The Little Free Library, built and sponsored by the 1st Woodhouse Guides in 2017. It stands next to the bus stop at the entrance to Beaumanor Hall.

Picture 2: Still hanging on to life – just! This tree is on the east side of the road from Quorn, coming into the village.

Picture 3: Hiding in the bushes, this little white shed is in the garden behind the post box.

Picture 4: On Forest Road, opposite Home Farm Close.

### Codeword Solution

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## What's on in September

Sat Sun	31st 1st	10.00 –4.00	Summer Fair with handmade crafts and gifts.	Beaumanor Hall, £3 (children under 12 free)
Mon	2nd	6.45	Woodhouse Parish Council meeting	Village Hall
Tues	3rd 10th 17th 24th	2.00– 4.00	Every Tuesday: Woodhouse Eaves Community Café. Everybody welcome!	Village Hall
Sat	7th	All day	Woodhouse Eaves Horticultural and Craft Show. See parish council website for classes and timings	Village Hall
Wed	11th	7.30	Leicestershire & Rutland Wildlife Trust: A Year of Conservation Volunteering in Africa, with Sharon Leahy	Village Hall, members £3, visitors £3.50, children free
Thu	12th	7.15 for 7.45	The Arts Society Charnwood: 'Treasures of the Black Tent: Antique Tribal Rugs and Dowry Weavings of the Persian Asian Nomads'	Village Hall, visitors £10
Sun	15th	12.00 –4.00	Good Neighbour Scheme Community Picnic. Live music, cake stall, games	King George V Playing Field
Wed	18th	7.30	Woodhouse Eaves WI: The Buddhist Robes with Yung Tsang	Village Hall
Tue	24th	2.00– 4.00	Woodhouse Eaves Community Café: Access Group afternoon. See Forthcoming events, page 19.	Village Hall
Wed	25th	10.00– 12.00	Coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support	St Leonard's Church, Swithland

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