Two new members were co-opted to the Parish Council at the September 6th meeting. Tommy Cooper from Grange Farm who has been in the role before and Bob Smith from the Green who has been supporting Mick Bell with the playground area with some maintenance tasks. It was suggested at the last meeting a small team should get together to do some of the jobs required to ensure the area is fit for purpose so if you think you can help please get in touch with Mick to arrange. Welcome to both gentlemen. Their tenure of course is up to the next full election in 2019.

Nobody can deny the lovely village of Exton has a real problem with dog fouling, along the roads, verges and footpaths – nowhere is exempt – not even the School. I have written on the subject before in this newsletter and as a former multi dog owner, championship show judge, retired Kennel Club board member, championship show organiser, I feel
ashamed that so many owners are letting the side down and not ‘picking up’. It was the Kennel Club [the governing body of dog shows/events/Field Trials etc.] who many years ago began the campaign to get people to care about this side of pet ownership and assisted by Pedigree Petfoods, handed out poo bags and special bins began to appear.

The law is clear, "It is the responsibility of the dog owner or the person in charge of the dog to clear up any dog foul left by their dog." And simply being oblivious - or pretending that you are - is not an excuse. "The regulations state specifically, that being unaware that the dog has fouled, or not having a suitable means of removing the faeces is not a reasonable excuse for failing to clean up after your dog."

Apart from the obvious plastic bags so readily and cheaply available there are also some very unusual inventions to be found on the internet!

- "Ashpoopie" - a device that supposedly vaporises dog poo, turning it into sterilised ash
- "Poop-Freeze" - a freeze spray that "frosts" waste with the aim of eliminating smell and making it easier to pick up
- "Poop-up" - a contraption that apparently "mimics your hand movements without touching the stuff"
- "Clean-Pick" - a two-in-one dog lead and faeces-collecting contraption
- A dog DNA database could quickly solve the problem, the leader of the Isle of Wight's council suggested earlier this year.

"We could test samples against the database and trace it to the dog's owner," said Cllr David Pugh. "I imagine we would see an immediate cessation to the problem."

At a recent Parish Council Meeting a member of the public brought this to our attention once again. The many visitors to Exton who wish to enjoy the lovely walks, parkland, views and general ambience of the place often are accompanied by their pets and sometimes in quite large groups. They use the Tourist guide published by Rutland County Council and the Clerk has been in touch with the RCC to ask them to ensure there is some mention of the issue on these leaflets. They have agreed to also add
something on the Tourism web page. I am led to believe it is a problem across the whole of Rutland. It certainly is a shame that this is price we pay to live in such a beautiful spot.

Below is part of the correspondence with the RCC:

“With regard to the legal position, the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 came into force on 20 October 2014. This Act allows authorities to designate public spaces where certain activities are prohibited. Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs) can be made to prevent persistent or continuing activities that have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the area, such as dog fouling. This Act repealed the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 under which Dog control orders used to be made by local authorities.....”

There are we know several professional dog walkers in the area who visit here – let us hope they do the right thing with all their several charges. One owner in the village who has several dogs of her own actually picked up for somebody else the other day because it was right outside the school and outside 1 Campden place, this is one of the ‘goodies’ trying to protect the name of all selfless dog owners. But outside the school? The owner must know who they are.

Why do some owners throw their plastic bags when they have picked up into the hedge? sometimes into the trees? It is often noticed that some of the fouling is done late at night when presumeably the dog/s is/are walked as the last pre bedtime trip and no doubt some are off leads and the owners will not have seen the accident.

There are new signs around the village – so let us hope that some of this article is taken to heart by the offenders.

Apologies for taking up such a large portion of this Newsletter on this subject but it is really causing a great deal of distress to many people.
This year's 'Feel Alive from 65' campaign week launches on **Monday 25th September** and will be an amazing time to take part in a programme of physical activity across Rutland. Sport and physical activity is an important part of all our lives and keeping active is especially important as we get older. The campaign week will see sessions available for our older adults including falls prevention, archery, walking football and many more - there's something for everyone to try.

To view all of the activities taking place across Rutland, please download the individual Rutland timetable below. Alternatively, if you live on the border of Rutland and would like to attend sessions in another area, please download the overall campaign booklet below for all of the sessions taking place across Leicestershire and Rutland.

**Feel Alive From 65 Week Rutland Timetable 2017** (PDF, 137 Kb)

**Danielle Adams**  
Active Rutland Officer  
Rutland County Council

1st Cottesmore Brownies invite you to a Coffee Evening on **Thursday 12 October. 6.15-7.30pm** in the Community Centre. Raising money for MenCap Melton Mowbray. There will be refreshments, homemade cakes, raffle and Brownie Entertainment!  
Please come along and support us.

*Bernie Wallace – Unit Leader. 01572 12956/07858484918*
HARVEST SUPPER

Will take place in the Village Hall

21st October 2017

Enquiries: Ann Bell 812594

Thanks to the School for printing the Newsletter

Contributions to the November edition should be with the Editor by 26th October 2017

Anyone wishing to read the Newsletter in colour should go to the website exton.org [Paul Taylor is webmaster]

Or ensure the Editor has your email address and it will be sent directly.
ROAD WORKS are taking place in Newfield Road and Stamford End **Monday November 6th** and Newfield Road will be closed while this is happening.

**Ladies Circle News.**

**October meeting** - Thursday, **October 5th**. at 7.30 p.m. - Exton Village Hall Slide Show to be given by Irene Kettle. Irene has lived in Exton all her life, so knows the village better than most, and local scenes are among the slides she will be showing, along with some of The Lake District and Burghley House. She is a qualified photographer, so her slides are well worth coming to see.

The competition is for a black and white picture of Exton. Refreshments will be served.

**On November 2nd.** Camilla Saunders of Empingham, Chelsea Flower Show winner in flower arranging, will be giving a demonstration of Christmas Flowers.

We hope you will be able to come to these meetings, as both promise to be interesting and enjoyable............................Meryl Hart

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**EXTON & HORN** Parish Council have donated £30 to purchase some **Lampost poppies** which will be seen around the Village. The organisers are hoping this will become a national trend. Clerk
RUTLAND FOODBANK
HELPING LOCAL PEOPLE IN CRISIS

Rutland’s Foodbank first opened in September 2013 and is affiliated to the Trussell Trust. The Foodbank is a registered charity and everybody who works on its behalf, from churches to the general public, is a volunteer.

The Foodbank has a small group of Trustees, responsible to the Charity Commission and for the day to day running of Foodbank operations. This group has a Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, a person responsible for Voucher Holder Liaison (with CAB, Social Workers, Spire Housing Trust, Clergy, Schools and other organisations who request red Vouchers), plus two other Trustees who support in many ways.

Food is donated to the Foodbank at Supermarkets, Churches, shops, and by individuals, and businesses. It also receives financial support from individuals, churches and businesses.

The day to day operations of the Foodbank are as follows:

1. The Warehouse where the donated food is weighed, sorted, dated and packed ready to go to Distribution Centres in Oakham (Unit 3, Melton Road) and in Uppingham at the Parish Church.

2. The two Distribution Centres benefit from a large team of volunteers. Each team has a Supervisor who meets and chats with clients, and four other volunteers who also meet clients, make teas and coffees. Others pack the Food parcels. The parcels (packed in Supermarket bags) are given according to the size of the family or to a single person. These parcels last for three days, but are always very generous. Toiletries and other personal items are also added.

3. Clients need a red voucher to access the food parcels. These vouchers are first issued to Voucher holders (there are presently 92, but only 28 of these issued in 2016 – 2017). The voucher holders then mark on each voucher issued the client’s details and the reason for the crisis suffered. These are for various reasons – Benefit changes/delays, Delayed wages, Debt, Homelessness, low income, Unemployment, Domestic Violence, Sickness, Child holiday meals.

Life for a client is often difficult. Just having to go a Foodbank is not easy. Not having enough food to feed a family is hard. The Rutland Foodbank aims to meet these needs with a warm welcome, a smile of encouragement, a listening ear, and a willingness to enter clients’ lives to help them along.

New volunteers/donations are always welcome and you can find out more about how to help by visiting:
rutland.foodbank.org.uk
Exton and Greetham CE Primary School  
Serving the communities of Greetham and Exton

We are EPIC learners!
This year we are focussing on making all the learning at Exton & Greetham CE Primary School EPIC!

EPIC Learning is all about putting our children first!
It means shaping teaching around the way different children learn.
It means taking the care to nurture the unique talents of every pupil.
It means developing the intrinsic motivation of succeeding – pupils working at the very edge of their ability- the struggle, the challenge and the love of learning.
It means making sure our teaching and learning is the best it can possibly be.
It means that we remove barriers to learning, and help children get better at getting better!

E  njoying learning – engaging with learning opportunities
P  rogress – making visible progress – What do we want children to get better at?
I  nclusive Learning – building on strengths – providing support and challenge
C  reative learning – learning in different ways – developing independence

Explore & Grow

School website: www.extonschool.co.uk
Phone: 01572 812380 to arrange a visit.
SPOT AND STOP FRAUDSTERS

Fraudsters target you in many ways:
- Cold-calling, scam mail/post, emails and texts
- Through pushy sales techniques e.g. demanding money up-front
- Over promising i.e. if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is

You can protect yourself and help stop them by:
- Taking your time and saying no to offers if unsure
- Never sending money to claim a prize
- Protecting your personal information

Report all fraud and get advice from Action Fraud

CALL 0300 123 2040

All calls are charged at your normal network rate. Phone lines are open Mon to Fri - 8am - 8pm

Or use the online fraud reporting tool at:

WWW.ACTIONFRAUD.POLICE.UK
EMPINGHAM VILLAGE AUDIT HALL

Upholstery classes
Come and join us

Held Twice Monthly
Thursday Afternoons 12.30 – 16.30
For further details please contact
Ulla (landline): 01604 406369
Ulla (mobile): 07941 622190
Or, Ann (landline) 01780 460106
October Services
8th  11.15 am Morning Prayer

22nd  11.15am Holy Communion

The new service of Morning Prayer was held for the first time on the 2\textsuperscript{nd} Sunday of September. Feedback has been positive so far.

Weekday Morning Prayer will be said every Wednesday in the church. Everyone is welcome and the short service is about 15 minutes long. Congratulations and love to baby Alyssa Rita-Marie Owen who was baptized in the church last month. Her parents Mark and Charlotte were married in the church a few years ago and they brought a large group of family and friends to join in Alyssa’s special day.

Martin Randall Holidays recently stayed at Barnsdale Lodge during a holiday entitled Tudor England and as part of their lecture tour they visited Exton Church, as well as far more prestigious places. The group was made up of British, Americans and Australians, all very impressed by the monuments.

Looking ahead to early November: on \textbf{Sunday November 5\textsuperscript{th}} at 3pm there will be a \textbf{Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving} in the church. This will be a simple service to remember those we have loved and to give thanks for all that they have meant to us. We will light candles in their memory.

\textbf{A Service of Remembrance will be held at the Village War Memorial at 11am on Saturday November 11\textsuperscript{th} at which the names of the men from Exton who died in the World Wars will be read out. Wreaths will be laid on behalf of the village, the British Legion and the children.}

\textit{Sally Miller}

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY – Holy Mass
Sunday 9 am
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EXTON INDOOR BOWLS in the Village Hall
Recommences **Sunday 8th October 2017 at 7.00 pm**
Enquiries to 01572 812233/813413/813148

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**STRETCH AND TONE CLASS**

**EVERY TUESDAY MORNING AT 9.30 AM**

**EXTON VILLAGE HALL - EVERYONE WELCOME**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND TO BOOK A PLACE PLEASE CALL SUE ON 07507088164/ suepegelow@hotmail.co.uk**

(please bring an exercise mat and a bottle of water)
(Sue Pegelow is a qualified PEA, RSA Exercise to Music, Zumba and Power Chi Yoga Instructor)
How does she do it? Once again Ann Bell has come up trumps together with husband Mick, and supported by all her family and many friends manning the entrance, stalls etc. supplying coffee etc at the coffee morning held at her home on Saturday 23rd September.

There was a good turnout of villagers and a swift service with refreshments. The weather was very kind and it was great to see people having time to sit and chat in the Bell’s attractive garden.

Ann sends a huge thanks to everyone who donated goods or purchased or helped in any way. The grand total raised was £650 to be split between the two organisations, Rutland For Rutland and MacMillan.