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The Wintringham Newsletter

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Welcome to the fourth issue of the Wintringham Wagtail

Welcome to the latest issue of our resident newsletter – the Wintringham Wagtail – with all our latest development and community news, as well as insights and features from our partners and neighbouring communities.



I'm the Community Development Lead for Wintringham, based in the Urban&Civic office opposite the school on Nuffield Road. I'm here to support new residents as they move in and help create and shape a vibrant community. It'd be great to hear how you're settling in and listen to any feedback you'd like to share.

There are lots of ways you can get involved. We have wellness, ecology and heritage events taking place throughout the year, as well as socials involving some fantastic local food and drink vendors!

If you fancy some fresh air, a break from your screen or want to meet some of your neighbours, join us for a walk around Wintringham. We meet every Monday at 12.30pm at Bret Pond. All ages and abilities are welcome.

We've held some great events recently and, in this edition, we share some of the highlights. It was wonderful to see the community come together for Diwali, which was led by our Residents Association, and we look forward to supporting more cultural events next year. The passing of Queen Elizabeth II added poignancy to the Platinum Jubilee activities the community enjoyed, and later this year we will open areas of the Queen's Green Canopy planted over the course of this unprecedented year.

Plans are starting to take shape for the District Centre and we will continue to seek your views and provide updates on key planning milestones as the development progresses.

Nearly 160 homes are now occupied, so our neighbourhood is growing fast. Durkan and Barratt/David Wilson (BDW) have opened their sales suites and we have started to welcome Durkan residents. BDW residents are due to start moving in early next year.

To keep abreast of what's happening at and around Wintringham, ask questions and raise issues you'd like us to cover, come along to our Community Forum, which takes place from 7.30pm to 9.00pm on the last Thursday of each month (see page 14 for details).

I look forward to seeing you soon!

With very best wishes,

Christine

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St Neots Council Representatives

Meet your local councillors

There are three tiers of local government responsible for different services at Wintringham.

Cambridgeshire County Council

For education, transport, fire and public safety, social care, libraries, waste management and trading standards.

Wintringham is in the St Neots East and Gransden division, which is represented by:

- **Councillor Stephen Ferguson** (Independent)
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Huntingdonshire District Council

For waste collection, recycling, Council Tax collections, housing and planning applications.

Wintringham is in St Neots East ward, which is represented by:

- **Councillor Lara Davenport-Ray** (Green)
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St Neots Town Council

For allotments, grass cutting, floral displays, cemeteries bus shelters, community centres and play areas.

Wintringham is represented by St Neots East Ward councillors:

- **Councillor Ben Pitt**
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- **Councillor Anna Crompton**
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The Town Council tends to meet monthly on a Tuesday evening at The Priory Centre, Priory Lane, St Neots PE19 2BH.

Great to see our first resident councillor - Councillor Kumar - representing local residents on St Neots Town Council.

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Future phases

Extension to leisure trail coming soon!

1 Durkan

Durkan Homes is bringing forward 293 new homes within easy walking distance of Wintringham Primary Academy and the future District Centre. Welcome to the first residents who moved in October!

2 Barratt/ David Wilson Homes

Barrett & David Wilson Homes are busy onsite and will deliver 336 homes, with their sales suite now open.

3 Stonebond Properties

Stonebond Properties is bringing forward 127 new homes with the sales suite due to open in Spring 2023.

4 Future District Centre

Wintringham's first local hub will bring together some key facilities and spaces. It will include a shop, café/ restaurant, nursery, gym, library and community centre as well as a public square area for community gatherings. The second phase of the District Centre will also include a health centre, and space for new businesses. A planning application is due to be submitted in early 2023.

New leisure trail

The leisure trail will provide a 4km walking and cycling loop around Wintringham. It broadly follows the perimeter of the development, and in time, a second longer route will cover the later phases. This current route takes in growing woodland, the stunning lakes and natural habitats being created in the middle of the development as well as historic brooks and Rights of Way.

These routes are not only key to our health and wellbeing focus, but as more people walk and cycle as part of their everyday lives, we hope it will also influence wider travel choices: leaving the car at home, to get about on your bike or by bus.

The route will be opened in phases through Autumn/Winter, with the whole route due to open in the New Year.

- Outdoor exercise equipment will be clustered in green open spaces along the route, for those wanting to shake up their activity levels or try something new.
- Wintringham Brook has undergone an extensive refurbishment opening it up to support more vegetation and habitats for nature.
- Three large lakes provide important sustainable drainage for the development, as well as crucial climate resilience for the wider area. As they mature, they will fast become a haven for nature.
- A large bird/wildlife hide will enable people to immerse themselves in nature without disturbing it and watch as the local wildlife starts to flourish and thrive.
- Wayfinding boards will continue throughout the trail to encourage exploration and discovery of some of our hero species and habitats, which are part of Wintringham's biodiversity strategy.
- The new Jubilee Woodland - planted in the year of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and commemorating a lifetime of service - includes 500 new trees. Once complete, this woodland will have over 3,000 trees including Oak, Beech, Silver Birch, Pines, Wild Cherry, Bird Cherry, Whitebeam and Small Leaved Lime.
- The route connects to the Cambridge Road linear park, which provides a safe and green walk to school route for our first residents, including orchard trees to pick an apple a day on your way to school.



An update from our local partners

Tracy Bryden
Headteacher of Wintringham Primary Academy



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Wintringham Primary Academy is continuing to grow and we now have children in all year groups. In addition, the Pre-school is still proving very popular and we are in the process of recruiting new staff so that we can increase our capacity.

As a school, we were deeply saddened by the vandalism to the windows at the front of the school. We would ask everyone to be vigilant if they are passing the school and if they see anything suspicious to report it to 101.

On a happier note, we have been very busy in school. Over the Summer, Morgan Sindall staff volunteered to create a pond at the school. They did a marvellous job and everyone is enjoying using this area.

We recently held a Diwali Day in school, where a parent came in and delivered a talk about Rama and Sita and then all the year groups worked together to make Rangoli patterns, designed and made Diwa lamps and made traditional sweets called Laddu. The children were also very excited to hold sparklers. It was a fantastic day.



Ben Pitt
New Mayor of St Neots and Town & County Councillor for St Neots East Ward



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Hello, I'm Ben Pitt and I'm delighted to have been appointed as Mayor of St Neots by my fellow councillors at St Neots Town Council. I moved from London to Love's Farm in 2012 and have seen the town grow over the last decade — not just in size with the new housing in the eastern expansion, but also in the facilities that this growth has supported, such as the cinema and lots of new restaurants and cafés. It's an exciting time for our town.

I've also seen how important community is to St Neots, especially in new developments such as Love's Farm and Wintringham. When people choose where to live, they look for a home they want to move into, but just as important is the local environment — the facilities, what's going on, how people interact with each other. Back in 2012, this felt like a blank canvas in Love's Farm, which was still very much a building site. Over the years, I and others have got involved and created the community we wanted on our doorsteps.

It's wonderful to see the same thing happening in Wintringham. St Neots Town Council exists to support residents, and I'll do what I can to make our town a rewarding, friendly and safe place to live. I also want to invite you all to get involved in shaping your local environment and community.

If you have any ideas or concerns, I'd love to hear from you. Please get in touch at ben.pitt@stneots-tc.gov.uk

Helene Tame
Community Chaplain
Love's Farm



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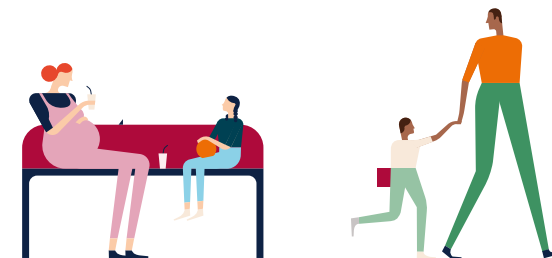
The death of Queen Elizabeth II has released a sea of memories both public and personal. How glad we are that the Wintringham and Love's Farm communities had the opportunity to come together during the Jubilee weekend to be together and dance in celebration of her reign and her commitment to communities - regional, national and international.

Much has been said and written about Queen Elizabeth's reign, her faithful service, diplomacy, faith, humility, humour and many other qualities besides, played out across decades of change and challenge.

Beginnings and endings are deeply important, and it seems to me that Queen Elizabeth did her best to take care of both. On the day she formally began her adult life, her 21st birthday, she vowed to serve us her whole life long and asked for both God's help and 'ours' in fulfilling that vow. There are few who wouldn't join me in saying, 'box ticked'. With regard to endings, as her life drew to a close she put important things in place, continued to serve, and gently said her goodbyes. It was her suggestion that the proposed Platinum Jubilee Paddington sketch should include her in person and by so doing, in the gentlest of ways, she both received her nation's thanks and left us with the enduring image of the marmalade sandwich in her handbag, 'for later', and then tapping her teacup in time to 'We Will Rock You.'

And then her final goodbye to us, said with her eyes and a warm smile, as she stood beside a roaring fire in her favourite family home and resting place, Balmoral. The late Queen may inspire us in any number of ways, whether we count ourselves a monarchist or republican, but for all of us her attention to beginnings and endings, to hellos and goodbyes, are truly worthy of reflection. They matter deeply and, like the covers of a treasured book, do much to hold the content and chapters of our lives securely together.

Rest in peace Queen Elizabeth. God save the King, who it seems to me, has started well...



Wintringham Residents Association update

The Wintringham Residents Association (WRA) is formed of residents just like you, who graciously volunteer whatever time they can spare from their busy lives, to help with activities to support the betterment of the community.

Events: The WRA has helped coordinate several community events in 2022. The summer new-residents welcome on Wilcox Green was a great opportunity to meet many new faces and catch up with old ones too.

Our collaboration with Loves Farm Community Association helped put on a truly excellent Jubilee celebration, with hundreds of pounds raised for charity at the same time as the community getting the chance to eat cake and learn a few new dance moves; what's not to like?! We also ran a Diwali celebration with Urban&Civic at the school, which was filled with lights, laughter and dancing and have just finished a spooktacular Halloween trick or treat coordinated event to make sure everyone had fun. Work is underway for a final Christmas event for the year, but if you have ideas or suggestions for events in 2023, the WRA events lead (Scott) would love to hear your ideas at scott@ourwintringham.org.uk

Escalations: Unauthorised HGV construction traffic on Pelham Road has reduced significantly, thanks to the intervention of Urban&Civic and support from developers' project teams. There is still work to be done on repeat offenders, but a big thank you to the team for their work so far!



Community Jubilee celebrations



A big thank you to Helene, Matt, Jan and the organising committee!



Happy Diwali!

East West Rail has published dates and locations for local residents to find more information about the proposed railway line running alongside Wintringham. The WRA and Cllr Ferguson have acted as the voice of the community raising concern about the lack of engagement with Wintringham (and wider St Neots) residents, requesting better consultation and more information.

The WRA is also working with local councillors, Highways Agency, Urban&Civic and other partners on the safety issues caused by traffic along Cambridge Road, but also on maintaining the stability of electricity and water after several outages in recent months.

If you want to get involved or hear more, get in touch at scott@ourwintringham.org.uk or come along to our regular community meetings both online and in person.

We are also now registered for the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, which residents can join at: [BIT.LY/WintringhamNHW](https://bit.ly/WintringhamNHW)

If you are new to the community and have questions about living in Wintringham (broadband is a hot topic) then check out the WRA website: www.ourwintringham.org.uk for more information. This is also where we highlight upcoming events.

Recent events and activities

'Little Wagtails' Baby and Toddler Sessions

We ran three free sessions with our local National Childbirth Trust (NCT) team and Toddler Sense to gauge interest from new and expectant families at Wintringham and the local community. The sessions were a great way for new families to meet each other, find out how the NCT can support and give our toddlers free rein on the soft play provided! They were well attended, and more sessions are planned. Hopefully we will see 'Little Wagtails' flourish at Wintringham.



Wintringham on Wheels

In partnership with Rutland Cycling and Go Travel, this event gave the local community an opportunity to try a range of e-bikes and standard bikes, including tandems, to cycle round Wintringham on a sunny Sunday! See page 19.



Street Food Saturday

Back by popular demand, our Street Food Saturday summer special gave families the chance to pull up a deckchair in the sun and sample a delicious selection of food and drink from local vendors. This included wood fired pizza, scrumptious Japanese street food and vegan cakes and treats as well as a choice of cocktails, craft beers and ciders to enjoy! We hope to host more, regular food truck options from next Spring and look forward to sharing details of these events soon.

St Neots Dragon Boat Race

Urban&Civic formed a team - The Wintringham Wagtails - and had lots of fun taking on the St Neots Dragon Boat challenge to help raise money for local charities.



Wild Wintringham

The community enjoyed a wildlife day in Wintringham's Ripple Park, with local families taking part in hedgehog inspired activities to learn more about one of the UK's favourite garden visitors from The Wildlife Trust's experts.

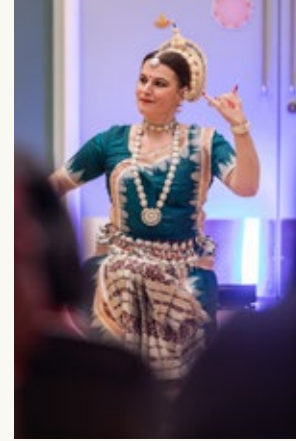


Archaeology Day

The Urban&Civic Wintringham project team teamed up with Oxford Archaeology East, Museum of London Archaeology and St Neots Museum to bring the history of Wintringham and the local area to life through interactive activities, displays, presentations and Iron Age reenactors.



Diwali Celebration



Wintringham is a culturally diverse community and this October family, friends and neighbours joined together to celebrate Diwali, the Festival of Lights.

Working with the Residents Association, the Urban&Civic team coordinated an inclusive event that provided the opportunity for the local community to share traditions for this important religious festival. The event in Wintringham was a great opportunity for the local community to celebrate and enjoy traditional music, dance, sweet bakes and crafts.

The event, which took place on Saturday, 22 October - the start of Diwali and half term - was held at the heart of the community, at Wintringham Primary Academy. Pupils from the school have been learning about Diwali as part of their curriculum and got involved by showcasing their Diwali clay Diyas, paper-based lanterns and colourings of fireworks, which were displayed in the main hall and admired by those who attended the event.

Over 250 people came along to enjoy the day and families were invited to take part in traditional crafts including making lanterns, rangoli patterns and colourful plate

decorations. A traditional dance was performed by students of Natyaveda School of Dance, Cambourne and Swara Nritya School of Arts, Cambridge.

A Diwali celebration is not complete without sweet treats and traditional bakes including Jalebi, Besan ladoo and Galub Jamun cupcakes were supplied by a local Indian bakery, while The Chai Stall food truck provided delicious Indian street food.

Jan from Wintringham Residents Association said: *“Diwali is celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs, Jains and Buddhists across the world and marks the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness. It was fantastic to come together and share an important event like this with the wider Wintringham community (and beyond!) and has heightened my sense of belonging in this community.*

“This celebration represents the diverse and inclusive neighbourhood that I am so happy to be part of. What started as a small idea to bring neighbours together morphed into a grand event thanks to the support from Urban&Civic. Something tells me we may have just started something very special here in Wintringham!”

Christmas at Wintringham Save the Date!

Christmas Festivities
6.30pm to 8.30pm
Wintringham School Plaza

Get festive to the sounds of 'St Neots Big Band' and enjoy a warming drink and food under the Wintringham Christmas tree!

Wave to Santa
From 7pm
Around Wintringham

Santa will be visiting Wintringham, so come and give him a wave!

DECEMBER 14

DECEMBER 15



Resident Forum update

Our Resident Forum is hosted by Urban&Civic as master developer for Wintringham and the Wintringham Residents Association. It takes place from 7.30-9pm on the last Thursday of each month and alternates between online (via Zoom) and in person (location to be confirmed).

The Forum is a great way to keep abreast of what's happening in and around Wintringham, ask questions and raise any issues you'd like us to investigate.

Highlights from recent meetings:

- Forthcoming community events (see page 13).
- The new route for school drop-off is via Brett Road, but we're hoping to see many children walking or cycling in with their parents/carers.
- The next new homes coming forward will be from Barratt/David Wilson's (336 homes) and Stonebond (127 homes). We are pleased to welcome 11 new Durkan residents by the end of the year, and will see more new residents join Wintringham from January.
- Residents are keen to see the extension to the leisure trail open soon. Health and safety precautions were explained, and information provided about the temporary ramp being installed to enable wheelchair users, cyclists and buggies to access the southern route. For more information on the leisure trail (see page 6).
- Update following the District Centre consultation (see page 16).
- Unfortunately, the grass seed sown in the pop up green area didn't take due to the hot summer but the team is working to green up this area as soon as we can. We are working with the landscape and play team, as well as local environmental charity Groundwork East, to explore creating planters, seating and community growing areas for the community to enjoy. If you would like to get involved with the Community Team planning and delivering this area, please let us know.
- The team provided an update on Pelham Road junction improvements, which have increased visibility, and the next step of plans to install a roundabout as part of Cambridge Road upgrades and enabling the development on the other side of the road as part of the second phase of Loves Farm.

- Wintringham had some great events in 2022 and plans are underway for another great community offering next year. We are pleased to support the WRA with events such as Diwali in October, which was a wonderful event bringing the community together (see page 12).

The Forum welcomed Jonathan Wood, a landscape architect from Bradley Murphy Design, who explained how biodiversity lies at the heart of Wintringham's design and the importance of getting the right balance between preserving and enhancing habitats for wildlife and providing people with access to nature so they can enjoy and understand it more.

Taking the leisure trail route, he described the work being done to the Eastern Green Corridor to create a mosaic of microhabitats for nature: catering for a wide range of different species. He went on to provide details on some of the improvements made to Wintringham Brook to enhance its ecological value. The work has already yielded success with the route being used for foraging and commuting by kingfishers and is likely to become a breeding habitat for them in time.

The next Resident Forum will take place from 7.30-9pm on Thursday, 26 January. Look out for more details coming soon.

If you have any queries or there are any elements of the development you would like to know more about, please let us know so we can include it as a future agenda item and arrange a guest speaker if appropriate.



Art&Soul café

Whether you are visiting for a quick cuppa or a leisurely lunch, setting up the laptop to fire out some quick emails or need headspace to work on a chunky document, enjoying the work of local artists or learning new skills, Art&Soul is a great place to relax and be inspired.

Located in New Street, St Neots, Art&Soul boasts a dog-friendly café, gallery and creative hub with regular workshops, exhibitions and space to hire.

Tim Richardson, who runs Art&Soul with his wife Caroline, said: "We hope Wintringham residents who haven't discovered us yet come along to find out about all the amazing things we have on offer. Art&Soul is an ethically responsible place that fosters connection, creativity and imagination. A place of the possible and optimistic when times are tough for many folks.

"Community is really important to us, and at Art&Soul there are plenty of opportunities to escape, relax and make new friends. Whether a fleeting visit or you are finding working from a home a bit isolating or just looking for a change of scenery, we have time and space for everyone.

"The creative hub supports local artists, whether they exhibit in the gallery, run workshops to share their talents and expertise, or sell their creations in the shop. We also have a range of games available to our customers, and simple creative activity packs that can be purchased. It's all part of being a community together."

The café caters for all tastes and dietary requirements, with fresh food prepared daily and cakes baked in its kitchen. The monthly vegan tasting menu is proving particularly popular and you can buy their vegan and vegetarian dishes in a handy frozen ready meal format to takeaway and cook in the comfort of your own home.

The café also transforms for Friday evening cocktails, with a quiz once a month and a vinyl record club launching soon.

To find out more, visit www.artandsoul.cafe



District Centre consultation

Within the first phase of Wintringham will be a local hub, the ‘District Centre’, which will bring together some key facilities and spaces for people living in and visiting Wintringham. This will include places to eat, drink, shop, work and relax.

A number of key elements, such as shops and cafes/eateries, a community centre, health centre, gym and a public square, are set out in Wintringham’s Planning Framework.

To help inform our plans for the District Centre, we held a public drop-in session at Wintringham Primary Academy for local residents in April and carried out an online survey in May/June 2022.

Over 2,000 people participated in the engagement and shared their thoughts on the services and amenities that should be prioritised, as well as the type of spaces and activities they wanted to see, in Wintringham’s District Centre.

Feedback on the current plans was largely positive, with 88% being positive to neutral responses.

There was a strong feeling that services and amenities in the District Centre should be accessible, inclusive and family-friendly.

“The design of Wintringham has to make access easy and safe for ALL users – young, old, mobile and those with mobility issues.”



KEY THEMES

MEDICAL/HEALTH CENTRE: the highest number of responses were in relation to the need for additional doctors, dentists and medical services, with a particular focus of mental health and wellbeing. Some respondents expressed frustration getting medical appointments and were keen to see the health centre brought as soon as possible.

67% of respondents wanted to see a GP surgery and 46% dentists for Wintringham and wider St Neots.

SHOPS/RETAIL: this was the second most discussed topic with a high percentage of respondents wanting to see a range of shops in Wintringham’s District Centre including a supermarket.

Clothes shops were most in demand, with some people suggesting the District Centre should be an out-of-town retail park, whilst others would prefer to see small independent stores including a bakery and deli as well as a post office.

56% of respondents wanted places to shop in the District Centre.

EATERIES: a family-friendly pub, serving food and with outdoor seating, was the most popular suggestion, with a café bar/restaurant running a close second. Other suggestions included coffee shops, a burger place and culturally diverse cuisines. Some respondents specified no chain restaurants, whilst others felt there were enough coffee shops in the area and did not want to see more at Wintringham.

“A place to socialise in the evening would be great and bring much more of the community together - a good pub or wine bar would be good choices.”

52% of respondents wanted places to eat in the District Centre.

EDUCATION: there was a lot of support for additional school provision, with many respondents submitting comments on this topic suggesting a secondary school, with a sixth form and SEND provision, should be delivered as part of a future stage of Wintringham.

SPORT AND FITNESS: in relation to proposals for a gym at Wintringham, respondents suggested this should be a leisure centre with a swimming pool, sports clubs, fitness classes and a climbing wall. Sports pitches were also suggested, along with AstroTurf for sporting activities, athletics track and basketball court.

COMMUNITY SPACE, FACILITIES AND ACTIVITIES: many people commenting on community events, activities and facilities at Wintringham stressed the importance of developing complementary amenities that do not compete with St Neots’ town centre.

The most popular suggestions were:

- Meeting places with flexible space for events to help promote a sense of community.
- Activities and facilities for older children and teenagers, to encourage a sense of pride and ownership in their community.
- Open, green space with mature trees and wildlife.
- Play areas.
- Dog walking areas.

64% of respondents said that activities for youth groups should be the top priority for the community centre.

Other suggestions included: faith space; skate/scooter park, community centre; splash park; cinema; theatre/performance space; allotments; BMX/pump track, farmers market, gallery space to showcase work of local creatives; more litter bins; robust and accessible seating.

“A place where we can meet the people who live locally will be a massive change in a positive way in the community.”

MOVING AROUND:

WALKING/CYCLING: nature trails were particularly popular and cycle hubs/bike hire were suggested to encourage people to make the most of Wintringham’s cycle paths and to access the wider area.

72% selected interesting nature trails as a key factor to encourage exploration of the St Neots area by walking/cycling.



PUBLIC TRANSPORT: respondents wanted to see better, more regular, affordable bus services linking to the train station, Loves Farm and the local villages.

INFRASTRUCTURE: the need to ensure Wintringham has the infrastructure needed to support the new development – from roads to water and sewerage – was stressed by a number of respondents.

PARKING: the need for adequate, free parking was requested, not just at the District Centre but also outside the school, in the residential areas and at the train station.

OTHER ISSUES:

EMPLOYMENT: opportunities for local businesses was encouraged, along with flexible office space/hot desking opportunities and jobs for local people.

SAFETY/SECURITY: concern was expressed about the potential for anti-social behaviour, especially in the main square, with some respondent suggesting passive surveillance, CCTV or security to discourage crime and increase safety. A couple of people suggested Wintringham could be a good location for a police station.

Rachel Arnold, Communications, Communities and Partnerships, said: *“We really appreciate the high level of response and support we have received for the emerging proposals for Wintringham’s District Centre. We’ve had lots of great suggestions and will be taking some time to consider how we can incorporate as many of them as possible in the final proposals.”*

Responses to key issues summarised in this article will be outlined in the next edition of The Wagtail.

Wintringham on Wheels

With 9km of footpaths and cycleways being provided around Wintringham to explore and connect to the wider area, pedal power is a great way to get around!

To help those living locally – in Wintringham and surrounding communities get on their bikes – we teamed up with Rutland Cycling and Go Travel, to give the local community an opportunity to try a range of e-bikes and standard bikes, including tandems, to cycle round Wintringham on a sunny Sunday!

There was also a chance to use pedal power to make smoothies and enjoy refreshments with bubble teas and milkshakes from local vendors!



LocalGo promotion

Making small changes, daily, can have a real impact. If you commute to work by car, why not try the train or bus? By walking to the station or bus stop, this can improve your health and fitness, and you could also save money by using the travel offers available to you from LocalGo.

You can have access to a wide range of offers including:

- 15% off Railcards
- 10% off with Commuter Club
- £50 Stagecoach voucher

Urban&Civic has setup a LocalGo scheme for Wintringham residents that is free to join. It provides simple and easy access to various sustainable and active travel offers, such as a £50 cycle or bus voucher, 20% off home electric car chargers and 10% off parts and servicing at Broken Spoke Cycles, St Neots.

To redeem any of the available offers, all you need to do is register for LocalGo.

For instructions on how to register please email info@localgo.co.uk



Local go



Key Contacts

Hopefully you have had a chance to look through the *Welcome Pack* you received, and this should have a wealth of information about local facilities and amenities. Below is a handy summary of the key contacts you might find useful:

General maintenance

Including: grass cutting; clearing drains; gritting roads in winter; repairing street lighting; trimming hedges; and ensuring play area safety.

Managed by Encore Estate Management
01223 866980
info@encoreestates.co.uk

Housebuilders

Please contact your house builder with any queries about the new homes you have moved into, including outside lighting, electricity, water and network connections.

Wintringham community development and events

Including: community events; activities, facilities and new resident information.

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Employment and training

Support with recruitment, employment and training opportunities in the local area.

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sharpperskills.co.uk

Health

Lakeside St Neots provides GP services for 24,000 patients in and around St Neots. Please contact Reception to register as a new patient. If you have moved locally and are already registered at the practice, please remember to update your new address. If you are looking to register we urge all residents to do so in good time, as it can take some time to update and transfer medical records, and it is better to have this sorted out before you need to see a doctor.

01480 406677
lakeside.stneots@nhs.net

Please also refer to your *Resident Welcome Pack* for further information and contact details on local hospitals, dentists and healthcare providers, and a range of other facilities and services.

Supporting St Neots Food Bank



Urban&Civic, our housebuilder partners, contractors and The Wintringham Residents Association are pleased to be supporting St Neots Food Bank this Christmas.

Many thanks to local residents who also dropped off donations to our Wintringham office.

The collection has now been donated for a 1 December delivery, with advent calendars included.

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