



Flag Flying Dates

8th September:
Accession of HM the King

HALAM NEWS

September 2025

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Bin Collection Dates

Green (Mon): 8th, 22nd,
Brown (Fri): 12th, 26th
Silver (Mon): 1st, 15th, 29th
Teal (Tues): 2nd



Parish Pump



Music at Halam Court

The organ recital at Halam Court on Sunday 14th September has had to be postponed until the following weekend, Sunday 21 September, commencing at 3pm. Once more, a variety of music to suit all tastes. Free admission and light refreshments available as per usual. All most welcome.

Harvest Celebration

The Parish Council will be hosting a 'Harvest Celebration Afternoon Tea' in the village hall between 2pm and 5pm on Sunday 12th October, with a cash bar, every-one invited.

Halam's Flower Displays

There have been lovely colourful displays in the new planters over the summer, but we would now like to ask for volunteers to help with planning for autumn/winter planting to keep displays looking good in future. If you would be interested in helping, please let me know. Chris Denyer (chris.deny47@btinternet.com)

Halam WI

After a lovely evening back in August for our summer social we are looking forward to the next few months of meetings. This month (on the 2nd) we are going on a tour of Strickland Farm and looking ahead to October we will be hosting a fireworks themed baking demonstration with Halam's own Fran Critchley. Finally all are welcome to come along to our Autumn Fair on 11th October in the Village Hall - more info on the ad below. New members are always very welcome and if you would like to find out more please follow us on social media @HalamWI or contact halamvillagewi@gmail.com



Save the Date

HALAM WI AUTUMN FAIR

Saturday 11th October


Halam Village Hall

10am - Midday

Cakes Jams Chutneys Plants Crafts Tea & Coffee




Southwell Theatre Club presents



BLITHE SPIRIT

by Noël Coward

Directed by Ann Tyler

The Classic Spirited Comedy!

Thu 11, Fri 12 & Sat 13 September 2025


at 7:30pm
(doors open at 7pm)

at Southwell Library, King Street, Southwell NG25 0EH

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd on behalf of Samuel French Ltd | www.concordtheatricals.co.uk

Tickets £10 each
Available from Southwell Library
Online www.ticketsource.co.uk/southwelltheatreclub
01636 812148
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St Michael the Archangel



After the summer holidays September is a busier month as children return to school and we prepare to celebrate all the good things we have at Harvest. We would like as many people and organisations connected to the village to take part, if you would be able to do a reading during the service or would like to help with decorating the church, donate produce from your garden or allotment, flowers, an arrangement or something representing harvest please let one of the churchwardens know by the 16th September to enable an allocation of space for gifts, all produce will be donated to our food bank with the perishables going to Framework Russel House in Newark.

This year's Ride and Stride event is on 13th September, if you would like to take part sponsor forms can be collected from the back of church or you can agree to sponsor someone all money raised will be shared between our beautiful church and Notts Historic Churches Trust.

September services everyone is welcome.

7th September - 12th Sunday After Trinity: 11.00am Morning Worship

13th September: Ride and Stride

14th September - Holy Cross Day: 11.00am Holy Communion

21st September - St. Matthew the Apostle: 11.00am Informal Service with Baptism

28th September - 6.00pm: Harvest Thanksgiving

Contacts: Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens – Penni Wells 01636 813491 – Briony Dickinson 01636 812569

Food Bank: There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

Message from Rev. Mary

The other day I saw a farmer harvesting his corn. It reminded me of the poet Keats' poem 'Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness.' There are certainly plenty of wasps about!

September is a month of new beginnings. We think of children starting new schools and students going to college or starting work.

On September 28th at 6pm we have our Harvest Thanksgiving at St. Michaels when we celebrate the bounty God has blessed us with. A special prayer for harvest: 'Eternal God, we crown the year with your goodness as you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own wellbeing.'

On Saturday 13th September there is the annual Ride and Stride, which raises funds to keep the church in good repair. On Wednesday September 17th at 9.15 we have our school assembly at Halam. We thank God for all who are involved in our lovely church school.

On St. Matthew's day, 21st September we welcome Penelope for her baptism. We pray for her and all her family.

September 29th is our patronal festival of St. Michael and all angels.

We remember Ethan's family in their loss.

Thank you for all you do for our food bank and for one another.

Every blessing, Rev. Mary

Dingbats

Last month: "Spicy" / "Shrinking Violet"

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Report for Halam News: Halam Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm on Thursday 14th August 2025 held at Halam Village Hall



Please Note: Official parish council minutes will be available after they have been approved at the next parish council meeting. Scan the QR code to link to the website.

Present: Catherine Blackburn, Chris Denyer, Simon Bust and Andrew Paris and Ganesh Subramanian

Apologies: Chris Bevans, and Charlie Wright

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

- A. alterations to Standing Orders – adopted
- B. alterations to HR Standing Committee Terms of reference – adopted
- C. first aid training – awaiting information from W.I.
- D. churchyard bench – cost of brass plaque agreed

Finance

Agreed to pay:

- 1. village hall cleaner
- 2. backpay for clerk
- 3. Cost of NALC meeting – biodiversity

The quarterly budget information was circulated.

Village Hall

Clerk to check the cleaner's public liability insurance.

Allotments

The new allotment holder is clearing and cleaning up the two allotments they have taken on. Agreed not to charge them this year. Some old tyres are being used as planters; these must be removed if the holder gives up the allotment. Clerk to write to holders to confirm this.

Clerk to check allotment agreement and amend to cover any future tyre removal requirements.

The title claim is in progress.

Roads & Hedges

Crossroads fingerpost – previous decision (to have a concrete post for the sign) was taken in April. This will stand until November (six months); to be discussed again at that time.

Parking on School Lane – a letter has been received from the Head of Halam School. The staff and parents will be asked to park more considerately. Clerk will speak to Halam Salon to ensure that any of their cars do not create obstruction as well.

The trees overhanging Halam Hill still require cutting back – Clerk to pursue with County Council Highways.

Harvest Supper

After further discussion it was felt that trying to arrange some sort of joint celebration with the church, W.I. and Young Farmers wasn't workable.

A Harvest Celebration Afternoon Tea was proposed on **Sunday 12th October from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.** in the village hall, with a cash bar.

Andrew Paris to produce a flyer.

Arrangements to be discussed at the next meeting.

Village Christmas Tree

Putting a Christmas tree on the verge outside the church will be problematic as County Council Highways will need plans and details for approval. After discussion it was decided that the church verge was not really suitable and a larger tree outside the village hall was proposed.

Community Protection Officer

The area's CPO will be attending the 11th September parish council meeting to discuss local policing matters. He will answer questions from the public.

Tours of Britain

There seems to be some confusion over the route of this in September, but it appears that they will NOT be coming through Halam.

Website Review

On transfer of the website to Halam parish council the domain name will change, but that should not affect any searches for "Halam village".

Correspondence

The NALC AGM will be on 15th October – Chris Denyer to attend as Halam parish council's voting representative.

Lengthsman Scheme

The quote received to clear the weeds under, and then paint the railings along Halam Beck on the Turnpike was discussed. It was agreed that the brief given for the work needed revisiting – the soil and silt needs removing as well as the weeds. The quality and cost of paint to be used was also discussed. It was also essential that anyone undertaking the work should be insured. The Clerk to discuss further with the individual who had sent in the quote.

Biodiversity: Nothing to report this month

Planning

1. Pepperbox Cottage, School Lane

Variation of Condition 2, Condition 3 & Condition 4 of PP 20/00311/FUL Householder application for erection of a two-storey extension with single-storey projection at the back, creation of a new main entrance with a porch and internal associated works, relocation of the drive to the north-west corner of the site and replacement of single garage with a double garage.

The applicant has applied to increase the size of a double garage (already approved) by adding a carport: approved unanimously.

2. Land Off St Michael's Close, Halam

Application for permission in principle for residential development of four or nine dwellings

This application was received too late for the agenda this month. As the deadline for comments is 29th August, although comments may be considered if received before the decision date of 6th September. This application will be discussed at an additional parish council meeting on Thursday 28th August.

Planning Decisions

1. Littledale Cottage Farm, Mansfield Road

Application to determine if prior approval is required for demolition of portal frame open barn and 2 No. Nissen huts as per Schedule 2 Part 11 Class B.

Application approved by Newark & Sherwood district council

2. Land Adjacent The Old Vicarage, Halam Hill

Application for variation of conditions 02 to move dwelling north west away from apple tree and remove internal steps to provide level ground floor and discharge of conditions 03 (Materials), 04 (Hard and Soft Landscaping) and 08 (Biodiversity Management Plan) attached to planning permission

Application approved by Newark & Sherwood district council

Date of next meeting

Additional meeting to discuss planning application for St Michael's Close – Thursday 28th August at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall.

Next regular parish council meeting with Community Protection Officer – Thursday 11th September, 2025 in the village hall at 7.30 p.m.

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Apologies: Catherine Blackburn, Chris Bevans, and Ganesh Subramanian

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

1. The Clerk reported that his back-pay had not been received. He asked that this be put on next meeting's agenda.
2. Andrew Paris showed the new V.E. commemoration plaque for the new churchyard bench. He will fit this and the old plaque in place shortly.

Open Meeting

A number of parishioners attended the meeting and expressed their concerns about, and objections to the Application for permission in principle for residential development on land off St Michaels Close.

Planning

Land Off St Michaels Close: Application for permission in principle for residential development of four or nine dwellings

The clerk reported that a number of written objections had been received. Councillors agreed on a form of wording to be sent to NSDC Planning department in response to the application for permission in principle, including concerns about road safety, increased flood risk, biodiversity and non-compliance with NSDC's own policies and core strategies.

Lengthsman Scheme

Councillors were updated on progress with securing contractors, and it was agreed to employ specialist contractors for clearing weeds and silt and then painting the roadside railings.

Harvest Celebration - Sunday 12th October from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the village hall

Andrew Paris has had the flyers printed and these will be distributed to each household. A traditional 'Afternoon Tea' menu will be circulated to councillors for agreement and budgeting. It was agreed to ask for volunteers to make apple pies and crumbles to be included on the menu. This will be a free tea with a cash bar to be organised.

Date of next meeting

The Community Protection Officer will attend the next parish council meeting – Thursday 11th September, 2025 in the village hall at 7.30 p.m.

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