

CRANSLEY CHRONICLE

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ANGEL FESTIVAL

The Angel Festival in Church was absolutely brilliant. Nearly 30 angels were handmade and exhibited round the church. Each one had a theme and had been painstakingly made. The winner in the Adult category was the Talking Books Angels made by Ann Slade, and in the Children's category the angels made by the children at Little Andy's. The church looked stunning, so many thanks to all those who contributed and attended. The event raised a much needed £350 for church funds.



GREAT CRANSLEY MILLENNIUM SCULPTURE

Many of you will remember that the village decided to commemorate the Millennium by commissioning a sculpture from George James, Blacksmiths of Broughton.

Over the years we have received favourable comments about its design and the story of our Parish that it represents.

However, we have been made aware that many new residents and the visitors to the village do not realise the significance of some of the panels.

The Parish Council has therefore decided to commission a notice board which will give a brief background and direct the reader to our village website, which gives full details.

The Parish Council has applied for a grant to do this and will receive £790.63 from the Community Grant Scheme of Kettering Borough Council towards the cost of the project.

The proposed notice is set out below and the Parish Council would welcome any comments to the Clerk by February 8th before the sign is ordered from the foundry.

Richard Barnwell

Chairman Great Cransley Parish Council

GREAT CRANSLEY MILLENNIUM SCULPTURE

This Sculpture was erected by public subscription to commemorate the year 2000.

It illustrates the story of our Village in 7 panels representing different aspects of the life of the parish over the centuries.

Top: The De Craneslea family Arms from the 13th Century, which give rise to the name of our village Public House.

Second Row: Cransley Reservoir constructed in 1891. Wheat and Oats representing Farming

Third Row: St Andrew's Church, founded 800 years ago. A plan of the village showing the roads and houses.

Bottom Row: The Oaks of the village woodland, which was part of Rockingham Forest
Cransley Ironstone Furnaces opened in 1875 and closed in 1959

For further details on each of the plaques and more links to our Parish history, please visit our Village Website

www.greatcransleyparishcouncil.co.uk

Do you need help to manage your Finances?



**Pop along to Andy's Café,
Cransley Village Hall on
20th February 2016
10.00 am to 11.30 am**

**Have an informal chat with an
advisor over a cup of tea and
a bacon roll.**

For further information on household budgeting, debts, loans, opening a credit union account, savings tips, low cost recipes and benefit advice.

budgetsupport@kettering.gov.uk
01536 535 773

JOIN THE TERMITE SOCIETY

The termite, on its own, is very small, and is not much good at getting anything done, but when it gets together with anything from a couple of hundred to enormous societies of several million individuals, is the most successful insect on earth.

I believe that we, the residents of Great Cransley, have got to act like the termite, to put a stop to the continued Noise, Mud, Dust and the speeding of 10-wheel earth-moving lorries going through OUR village, five days a week, from dawn till dusk. We have put up with it long enough. They are coming from construction sites from all over, which is why we are sometimes getting convoys of three or more lorries at a time. Where is it going to end? When the loam works is full to capacity? Where is the waste going to go from the construction of Cransley Park? Or Gipsy Lane in Kettering? What about the waste from the development at Barton Seagrave?

That is why I am asking every householder in our village to act as a Termite to act as one. It will (maybe) only work if we are all in it together. Would you please spend an hour this weekend and write a letter of complaint to Northamptonshire County Council.

If every house holder in the Post Code 1PY sends in a complaint, that will be around 67 letters, and if the residents of Bridle Way and Church Lane also complain that will add approximately another 40 letters.

If we do not make ourselves heard, chances are the person to whom we are complaining will simply ignore us. Be clear about what is happening and how you want the situation to be resolved. It will be easier for the person to correct the situation, if you are upfront about what you want. You know it is not the County Council's fault, but you would greatly appreciate their help in resolving it. Don't go on about how angry this situation has made you, and if you start making threats, then the person is less likely to want to help you. Include your contact information and if you email your complaint, then please follow it up with a posted letter.

A lot of residents of the village have asked me what the Parish Council is doing about the lorries going through the village. The Parish Council have spent hours trying to solve this issue, along with Councillor Mr James Hakewill, and have not managed to get very far. An alternative route has been suggested ... "A14 – Junction 6 Rothwell - Three Chimneys - Right turn into Harrington Road - Left into Cransley Road ...". So now it is up to you, please get your letter in the post to ...

- Northamptonshire County Council, Guildhall, St Giles Square, Northampton, NN1 1DE.

While you are at it, why not send a copy of your complaint along with a covering note to the news media ...

- Anglia News, ITV Anglia, Norwich, NR1 3JG. Email: anglianews@itv.com
- Northamptonshire Telegraph, Newspaper House, Ise Park, Rothwell Road, Kettering NN16 8GA. Email: newsdesk@northantsnews.co.uk

Or why not contact your M.P. ...

- Mr Philip Hollobone MP, Parliamentary House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA. Email: philip.hollobone.mp@parliament.uk

Written for and on behalf of Great Cransley Parish Council by Councillor Mr P. M. Appleby.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - FEBRUARY 2016

Monday 1 st Feb	Quiz Night at The Three Cranes
Sunday 7 th Feb	8.00 am Spoken Holy Communion in St Andrews Church
Wednesday 10 th Feb	7.30 am Ash Wednesday, Holy Communion, St Andrews
Thursday 11 th Feb	Parish Council Meeting, 7 pm in the Village Hall
Sunday 14 th Feb	10.30 am sung Holy Communion in St Andrews Church followed by refreshments
Sunday 14 th Feb	Cransley Mobile Library, Village Hall 4 pm - 4.25 pm
Friday 19 th Feb.	CVMHC Meeting 7.00 pm in the Village Hall
Saturday 20 th Feb	Andy's Café 10.00 - 11.30 am in the Village Hall
Saturday 20 th Feb	Little Andy's Messy Church 2 pm - 3.30 pm
Sunday 21 st Feb	8.00 am spoken Holy Communion in St Andrews Church
Tuesday 23 rd Feb	Street cleaning by Kettering Borough Council
Sunday 28 th Feb	10.30 am Cransley Family Praise in St Andrews Church, followed by refreshments
February 2016	Bus Shelter Cleaning Cllr P Appleby. All volunteers please note that this also involves checking the War Memorial and the bus shelter outside the Village Hall.

The Absolute Final Date for inclusion in the next month's Cransley Chronicle is at **5pm** **on the 24th of each month** (though December often earlier in the month, due to Christmas shut down). It is very much appreciated, if articles could be submitted as early as possible please, rather than right on the deadline, in order to avoid a last minute rush. You can send in your articles to Thelma Lacy, Parish Clerk, at greatcransleypc@gmail.com.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN GREAT CRANSLEY

Keep Fit	KFA Moves every Tuesday 6.30 - 7.30 pm. For information ring Pat Heed on 01933 674263.
The Cransley Bowls Club	Village Hall every Wednesday 2 - 4 pm. If you wish to go bowling, please check with Pat Appleby on 790607.
Church Opening	The Church will be open on 2 nd , 4 th and 5 th Saturdays of each month between 10 am and 5 pm.
Rainbows, Brownies, Guides	Meet each Monday in the Village Hall.
Studio A Patchshe Sewing Group	Every Tuesday and Thursday 10 am - 4 pm. For information ring 01536 790699.

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