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CENSUS 2021

As I am sure we will all remember from our schooldays, the first English census was held by William the Conqueror in 1086, and was known as "The Domesday Book". (Domesday...The day of Judgement).

From 1841 the modern style of Census has been taken on a regular basis every 10 years (with the exception of 1941 because of WW11) and the information gathered informs the government, and helps plan for future needs, particularly in education, healthcare and transport.

The information gathered is not made "Public" for 100 years, so at present the 1911 census details can be searched, and of course gives valuable assistance to family history enthusiasts.

The 2021 Census will be the first to be taken "Online", and the hope is that at least 75% of the respondents will be able to do this. There will still be the option to complete a hard copy, as in former years, and return this in a freepost envelope.

There will be the usual questions for the Householder to complete. There are then Individual questions which must be completed by each person living in the household, also any Visitors to the Household on Census day.

I must point out that it is crime to ignore the Census, and you can be prosecuted if you fail to complete it, and make sure the information given by the Householder and the individuals agree with each other!

The Census must be completed to represent your Household, on Sunday 21st March 2021. My advice is to read the whole form and the notes through BEFORE you start to complete it. There are helplines available with any queries.

What happens next? During the week commencing 22nd February you will receive an advance warning Postcard. Then during the Week commencing 3rd March information packs will be sent to every household with your unique digital access code and full instructions.

For full information and advice visit: www.census.gov.uk/census2021

All good wishes, Richard Barnwell

VILLAGE LOTTERY

For anyone who may have forgotten, and for those new to our village, this lottery is for the benefit of Village Hall improvements. Cost is £1 per number per month, or £10 for the year. It runs from February to December and can be joined at any time. For more details, and if you wish to join, ring Julie on 01536 799860.

Parish Council Elections In May 6th

Ever thought of being a Parish Councillor? We are holding elections!

Expressions of interest are welcomed from anyone who is over 18 years old.

As a Councillor representing your community you will help keep it a great place to live and work. You will be supported in your role and will be expected to undertake training. You should be comfortable working electronically. You should have a positive outlook, a can-do attitude, and be willing to work as part of a team.

If you are interested in joining the Parish Council, please contact The Clerk, Thelma Lacy, by 31 March 2021 for more information, by either ringing 01536 790997, or by e-mailing at greatcransleypc@gmail.com. Any Parish Councillors can be contacted for information - their details are on the Parish Council notice board and on the Parish Council Website.

Great Cransley Parish Council usually meets in the evening on the second Thursday of the month in the Village Memorial Hall. In the present situation the meeting is held on Zoom.

If you care about your community, and would like to help make a real difference, then why not... Become a Parish Councillor!

Why become a Great Cransley Parish Councillor now?

Cllr. Richard Barnwell wrote an article in the October edition of the Cransley Chronicle pointing out that within the next couple of years the Parish Council may have to manage and fund some services that were previously provided by Kettering Borough Council.

Decisions made regarding the provision of these services will impact on every household, because they will have to be paid for from the precept.

The Planning White Paper introducing new Planning Legislation, and the Great Cransley Neighbourhood Plan will both have an impact on Planning Applications within the next 2 to 3 years. The Parish Council will need to be very robust when commenting on such applications. Decisions made could have a major impact on the Parish.

Stand for the Council and help shape the future for all residents.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - MARCH 2021

Thursday 11th March Virtual Parish Council meeting 7pm

March 2021 Stone Bus Shelter Cleaning, Peter Greenall. All helpers please

note that this also involves brushing the War Memorial, dealing

with the leaves and checking the Village Hall bus shelter.

For more information on Church matters call 01536 799522 or www.churchesbmc.org

REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN GREAT CRANSLEY

All activities are suspended until further notice.

CRANSLEY VILLAGE MEMORIAL HALL

For information and booking the Village Hall, call Pat Appleby on 01536 790607.

LOTTERY FEBRUARY 2021

Prize Name

1ST PRIZE REG WOODBRIDGE

2ND PRIZE KEITH LACY
3RD PRIZE JANE COLEMAN

CRANSLEY CHRONICLE DEADLINE

The absolute final date for inclusion in the next month's Cransley Chronicle is at

5pm on the 24th of each month

(though December is often earlier due to Christmas shut down).

Please email your article, if you can, to Thelma Lacy on the following email: greatcransleypc@gmail.com or if you can't, please ring her on 790997.

All articles must have a <u>Title</u>, and Posters must be <u>A5 size</u>, <u>Portrait</u>.

STREET DOCTOR

Don't forget to use the Street Doctor on telephone number 0300 126 1000 or www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor for any problems with Highways.

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