

DECEMBER 2019 - LATEST NEWS

Christmas Carol Singing – Wednesday 11 December 2019 at 6.30 pm.

This will take place on the above date at **Kilham Hall**, Kilham Lane, Branton DN3 3PF with Branton St Wilfrid's School choir in attendance. Festive refreshments including soft drinks for children provided by Branton Coffee Club and mince pies provided by the local WI will be available at a small charge. A raffle will be held and the proceeds raised will be donated to charity.

Christmas Lighting Displays

As in previous years arrangements have been made for festive lighting to be displayed on the Christmas tree on the corner of Glen Road and Doncaster Road. An order had been placed with DMBC to replace the existing tree for a more suitable one.

Much work has been undertaken to explore the possibility of providing illuminated Christmas decorations from some of the lampposts along Doncaster Road and in other areas of the parish. Unfortunately due to changes in electrical regulations some lampposts are now deemed unsuitable and DMBC are still awaiting approval from Northern Power Grid. On this basis regrettably it will not be possible for any new decorations to be provided this year.

Provision of a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) for Kilham Hall Park

Following consultation with residents at the October parish council meeting a final specification has been submitted to DMBC to obtain the necessary approval to progress the work, obtain formal planning consent and seek contractors. It is expected that the project will be completed in the autumn of 2020.

Storage extension for Kilham Hall

Planning consent is being sought and once this has been obtained work will commence on seeking a contractor to undertake the work. It is hoped that this will be completed in late spring/summer in preparation for the MUGA to house the additional equipment for tennis etc.

Road Safety Issues

The parish council is mindful of the concerns raised by residents following a number of road traffic incidents in Branton and Old Cantley. A meeting has been requested with DMBC Highway Officers but this has been declined at the present time. Notification has been received that a survey is being undertaken on the road surface at Old Cantley to ensure its suitability and an update is awaited. Finningley Ward Councillors are aware of the concerns and will continue to press for improvements to be made.

Keeping Branton Tidy – Next Litter Pick Saturday 30 November 2019

Volunteers in Branton have arranged a further litter pick subject to fine weather on the day and will meet at Kilham Hall Meeting Rooms at 9.30 am.

Grateful thanks are extended to those offering to take part for the benefit of the village.

Provision of a Wreath and Donation to the Royal British Legion

A poppy wreath has again been purchased by the parish council for the local school use and a donation made to the Royal British Legion to mark Remembrance Day.

Wifi Facility at Kilham Hall Meeting Rooms

Anyone hiring the parish council meeting room or Kilham Hall can now make use of free wifi. For bookings please contact the Kilham Hall Booking Clerk details can be found on the parish council website.

The parish council would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

