

Cotgrave Connections Newsletter

A Newsletter produced by Cotgrave Town Council for the residents and businesses of Cotgrave. News, updates on the Town Council, community news and support.



Friday 28th November
1pm to 6pm

**COTGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL'S
Christmas Market**

fun for the whole family

Craft and food stalls, Music, Entertainment.

- Christmas Tree Lights Switch on.

Plus visit Santa in his Grotto in Cotgrave Library between 2.30pm and 5pm

COTGRAVE SHOPPING CENTRE
www.cotgrave-tc.gov.uk

SUPPORT A LOCAL CHARITY
BECOME A TRUSTEE
at Cotgrave Futures



Cotgrave Futures is a purpose built community building which opened in September 2002.

It is managed by a small group of committed local people (the Trust) to promote healthy living, educational and recreational needs and maintaining a space for childcare provision within the local community.

Are you able to give a small amount of time?

The committee meets bi monthly for approximately an hour and a half.

For more information please contact Cotgrave Futures on 0115 9899208 or email info@cotgravefutures.org.uk.

www.cotgravefutures.org.uk



35 Years of Our Lady of Grace - Join the Celebration!

This year marks **35 years since the opening of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church** on Candleby Lane, Cotgrave. Join us on **Sunday 23 November** for a **Thanksgiving Mass** and a **community celebration** with music, refreshments, children's artwork, a memory board and a shared meal.

We'll be celebrating the church's history and the local families - particularly the miners - whose faith, hard work, and determination made **Our Lady of Grace** possible.

From early Masses in a small miners' hut to the opening of the church building in 1990, this celebration pays tribute to the generations who built and sustained our parish and the strong community spirit that continues today.

Everyone is warmly invited to take part or share memories and old photos.

For further information, email us at: socialmedia.NW@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

Mass is celebrated every Sunday at 11am at our Lady of Grace. Follow us on Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, Cotgrave



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Support your Community Newsletter by sending us your items in time for the next edition (Spring 2026) before :-

Friday 13th February 2026

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Plastic Free Cotgrave – Working Together for a Cleaner, Greener Community

Have you noticed how much brighter Cotgrave looks when our streets, parks and green spaces are free of litter? That's the mission of *Plastic Free Cotgrave* – a community group dedicated to reducing single-use plastics and helping everyone take small steps towards a more sustainable way of living.

Our aim is simple: cut down on single-use plastics in our everyday lives and keep Cotgrave a cleaner, healthier place to live. Whether it's saying no to unnecessary packaging, bringing a reusable water bottle, or joining one of our regular litter picks, every action makes a difference. By reducing plastic waste, we're not only protecting wildlife and the environment, but also building a stronger sense of pride in our town.

The results are already showing. Thanks to our volunteers and to the support of *Streetwise*, Cotgrave's streets and public spaces are noticeably tidier, and there's a growing awareness of how small changes can have a big impact. It's not just about picking up litter – it's about inspiring each other to think differently about the waste we create.

We'd like to say a heartfelt **thank you** to the wonderful community groups and organisations that support us. The *Community Garden* and the *Library* have been brilliant partners, helping us spread the word and encouraging positive habits. Their enthusiasm and commitment remind us that change is always possible when we work together.

A special **thank you also goes to the families who come along to our litter picks**, the most recent being 27th September. It's fantastic to see young people getting involved and learning to care for the environment – they are, after all, the future guardians of the planet. Their energy and enthusiasm brings a real buzz to our events.

Cotgrave is a great place to live, and by reducing our reliance on single-use plastics and keeping our shared spaces clean, we can make it even better. So, whether you've joined us already or are thinking about getting involved, we'd love to welcome you. Together, we can keep Cotgrave clean, green and proud.



New 11 bus replaces the 33

I have previously reported that the 33 bus service, which was operated by Nottinghamshire County Council, was proving to be popular, especially for residents of parts of Cotgrave where the Cotgrave Connection didn't pass.

This service and route has been taken over by Nottingham City Transport, who being a full time dedicated bus operator, probably have the resources and staff to ensure a more reliable and frequent service. The service number has changed to 11 and broadly follows the same route through Cotgrave and onto West Bridgford and Nottingham as the 33.

There are a couple of differences and changes, though. Firstly, the 11 does not go to Central Avenue. You can still get to Central Avenue but will need to change to another services at Morrisons. However, the ticket that you get for the 11 will cover you for this part of the route. Also, the new 11 goes further into Nottingham, up to Parliament Street which is handy for the Victoria Centre.



At the time of writing this report, the new service has only just started, but hopefully by now, it is well established and, importantly, being used.

Glass/bottle home collection



If you haven't already received one, you will soon receive a new wheelie bin from Rushcliffe Borough Council (slightly smaller than the existing wheelie bins).

This is because kerbside glass collection is to be introduced before the end of the year.

Many people have often said that they would like such a service, to save trips to the bottle banks here and there. As well as being convenient, you can put any colour mixture of glass bottles into the bin. Rushcliffe Borough Council have/will be giving collections date details to all households.

You can opt out of having a bin if you feel that you don't want or need the service. Just let Rushcliffe know.

The number of glass bottle recycling "bring sites" will be reduced, but we should still have one at the leisure centre car park, should you still prefer to take your bottles to a bottle bank.

Councillor Richard Butler



Cotgrave

Advice Centre

Over 30 Years of Caring

**Free, Confidential & Impartial Advice Sessions
Tuesday & Thursday mornings: 9.00am to 12.00 noon**

**Get specialist advice on a range of issues, including: Debt - Benefits - Employment -
Tax - Legal - Family - Form Filling - Housing - Consumer - General Advice**

Plus free appointment with solicitor - first Thursday of every month

Find us in All Saints' Church, Plumtree Road, Cotgrave, NG12 3HT

Tel: 0115 8501851 cotgraveadvicecentre@gmail.com www.cotgraveadvicecentre.org.uk

Member of





Bingham Road, Cotgrave. NG12 3JR
Minister: Revd. Mark Roberts 0115 9331926

Cotgrave Methodist Church

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Bingham Road , Cotgrave

Minister Revd. Mark Roberts - Tel: 0115 9331926

**We meet for Sunday Worship and Junior Church
10.30 every Sunday.**

Holy Communion Monthly

Coffee and tea served after the service.

Toddler Café

Every Thursday from 9.15 to 11.15am. Donation of
£1 per family. Term time only.

Warm & Welcoming Spaces

Tuesday 12 noon to 2pm

Saturday 10am to 1pm

You are very welcome to join us!

In terms time there is a full range of **youth and
children's activities** (see our website for details).

**Christmas Fair Saturday
6th December 10am to 1pm**

**Christmas Tree Festival
6th & 13th December**

More information about church activities can be
found on our website :

cotgravemethodist.wixsite.com/cotgrave-methodist



Cotgrave Health Walk

Join us every Friday for a free and friendly
short walk in the Country Park. Meet at 2pm
outside the Rose and Crown, Main Road,
Cotgrave.

<https://tinyurl.com/RushcliffeWFH> or contact Dun-
can on 07969 330846.



Notts in Mind

Notts in Mind: Women

Notts in Mind: Women offers mental health
support through a variety of wellbeing and
physical activities in a social setting.

Sessions run every Thursday 10.30am to 12.00pm at
Cotgrave Leisure Centre.

For more information, contact:

Aaron.Taylor-Penycate@trentbridge.co.uk or visit
<https://www.trentbridge.co.uk/trust/notts-in-mind.html>



Cotgrave Crafters at Cotgrave Library

Bring a project or make something
with the materials we have here.

Free to attend.

Every Wednesday afternoon 2pm - 4pm

Tea/Coffee 50p



Meeting Room Hire

Looking for a venue for your next meeting, seminar or business meeting?

- Comfortable space, fully air conditioned
- Flexible/Block Booking Options
- Good Location with good access
- On Site Parking
- Flip Charts, Monitor and WiFi available
- Drink making facilities
- Disabled Toilets



Contact Cotgrave Futures for availability and prices.

 www.cotgravefutures.org.uk 

 0115 9899208



It costs around **£740,000** to run our hospice services for one year.

All profits that are generated through sales from our charity shops help to support the amazing services and care provided at your local day hospice.



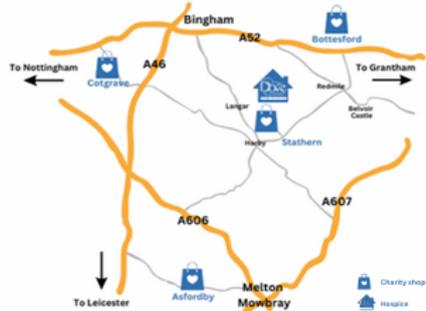
REMEMBER US FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING REQUIREMENTS!

Please consider shopping preloved this festive season from one of your local Dove Cottage charity shops. All our shops have a great range of festive cards & wrap, stocking fillers, toys, jigsaws, books and more - perfect for gifting!

The last day of trading for all of our shops before Christmas is **Tuesday 23rd Dec, re-opening on Monday 5th Jan.**

Dove Cottage shops opening hours:

- Stathern** (Canal Lane, LE14 4EX)
Monday - Saturday: 10.30-4.30
- Bottesford** (Market St, NG13 0BW)
Monday - Saturday: 9.00-4.00
- Cotgrave** (Main Street, NG12 3HQ)
Monday - Saturday 9.00-4.00
- Asfordby** (9 Bradgate Lane, LE14 3YD)
Monday - Friday: 9.30-4.30
Saturday: 10.00-4.00



Enjoy a hot drink whilst visiting our Stathern shop!

'Cups & Go' Coffee trailer now serving a selection of hot and cold drinks & snacks from Dove Cottage Stathern Shop car park.
(Serving every Weds - Sat, 10.30 - 2.30pm - follow FB for updates to opening times)



Have you ever thought of becoming a local Councillor?

Cotgrave Town Council currently has casual vacancies on Council.

To be eligible to become a Councillor you need to be aged over 18, registered to vote in the area you live, work or own property there.

Full eligibility criteria is available from the Electoral Commission : www.electoralcommission.org.uk

You can express an interest in being co-opted by contacting the Town Clerk at :

clerk@cotgrave-tc.gov.uk
or calling **0115 9893876**.

You can talk to us about domestic abuse.



Telephone: 0115 9893876



Cotgrave Police

A report from PC 153 Matt Pooley



As we head into Autumn I am hoping to get back to normal duties and be a more visible presence in and around Cotgrave again. During late spring summer period due to unprecedented demand, abstractions and personal circumstances I have not been much of a visible presence as I had hoped to be. For the time being the demand and associated abstractions and personal circumstances have abated which should result being out and about more often.

During recent visits to the country park and the surrounding building sites evidence of anti-social behavior (ASB) and property damage have been observed. There are indications of gatherings at night. No individuals have been seen at the time of the incidents occurring, but the damage suggests repeated unauthorised use of the areas in the evenings.

The vandalism and littering at the country park have been negatively affected: The safety of park users, especially families and children. The natural environment and wildlife and the park's visual appeal. The impact of the vandalism on the building sites have affected the safety and the ability for the workman to go about their daily business.

There will be Increased patrols by police and security measures are in place on the building sites.

Parents and guardians have important legal and moral responsibilities when it comes to preventing and addressing anti-social behaviour (ASB) by their children. Parents and guardians are expected to supervise and guide their children's behaviour. When a child (under 18) engages in ASB parents can be **formally warned** by police or local authorities. Parents can be held responsible for their child's actions, especially if they fail to take reasonable steps to prevent further incidents. Parents can be required to attend parenting programs or accept parenting contracts designed to improve their behaviour. In some cases, parents are fined or ordered to pay compensation for any damage caused.

Parents should monitor where their children are, who they are with, and what they are doing. Set clear boundaries and consequences for unacceptable behaviour. Work with schools, police, and community organisations to address any concerns. Encourage positive activities such as sports, volunteering, youth groups to reduce the risk of ASB.

The consequences of ASB can be eviction from council housing and impacts on the child's criminal record, public reputation, education and future job and housing prospects.

There is support available, parents can seek help from Local councils' ASB teams or Family Support services. There is also support available through schools and social services, parenting classes and community programmes.

You can keep up to date with Policing issues in your area by signing up to Notts Alert. This is your local community alert system. It provides free timely updates from organisations you can trust as well as an easy way to have your say about policing where you live. Please visit www.nottsalerts.co.uk for more information.

If you need to report anything, please call 101 or visit www.notts.police.uk to report online.

Thanks for taking the time to read this article and I hope it may be of some use.

PC 153 MATT POOLEY – matthew.pooley@notts.police.uk



SAVING ENERGY Keeping you warm & wise

The energy price cap for October to December 2025 has been announced by Ofgem, with energy bills for typical homes in Great Britain set to go up by 2%. This will make annual energy bills for a typical dual-fuel home paying by direct debit £1,755. So with autumn on its way, it's a good time to take control of your energy and save money.



If you are aged 50+ and would like to be warmer and wiser about energy, we are here to help.

Find out more by contacting our friendly team:

t: 0115 8599 209

e: warmandwise@ageuknotts.org.uk



ENERGY SAVING TIPS

These quick and easy tips from the Energy trust can help you save up to £351 a year

- £85** INSTALL DRAUGHT PROOFING
- £50** AVOID USING THE TUMBLE DRYER
- £45** TAKE A FOUR-MINUTE SHOWER
- £30** DON'T OVERFILL THE KETTLE, USE A TAP AERATOR
- £40** TOP UP YOUR HOT WATER INSULATION
- £45** SWITCH OFF STANDBY
- £27** FEWER, COLDER LAUNDRY CYCLES
- £11** ALWAYS FILL YOUR DISHWASHER
- £45** SWAP YOUR BATH FOR A SHOWER
- £8** TURN OFF THE LIGHTS

Figures correct as of July 2025 based on a typical 3-bedroom semi-detached house in England, Wales or Scotland on a standard energy tariff and paying by direct debit.



COTGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

**Pensioners' Christmas Celebration meal
is being held at
THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB,
MAIN ROAD, COTGRAVE**

on
Thursday 18th December, 12 Noon until 4.00pm.

Tickets £5 per person to include:

Soft Drinks reception.
Traditional 3 course Christmas meal.
Tea/Coffee and mince pies.
Free raffle.
Ample Free Parking on-site.
Free coach transport available, if required.

Tickets available from:

**COTGRAVE LEISURE CENTRE, WOODVIEW
MAIN HALL, COURT 3**

ON TUESDAY 2nd DECEMBER 9.30am – 11.30am

{At ticket point, we will gather all information:
Personal details, Meal choice, Travel etc.}

THIS EVENT IS PURELY FOR OUR PENSIONERS HERE IN COTGRAVE

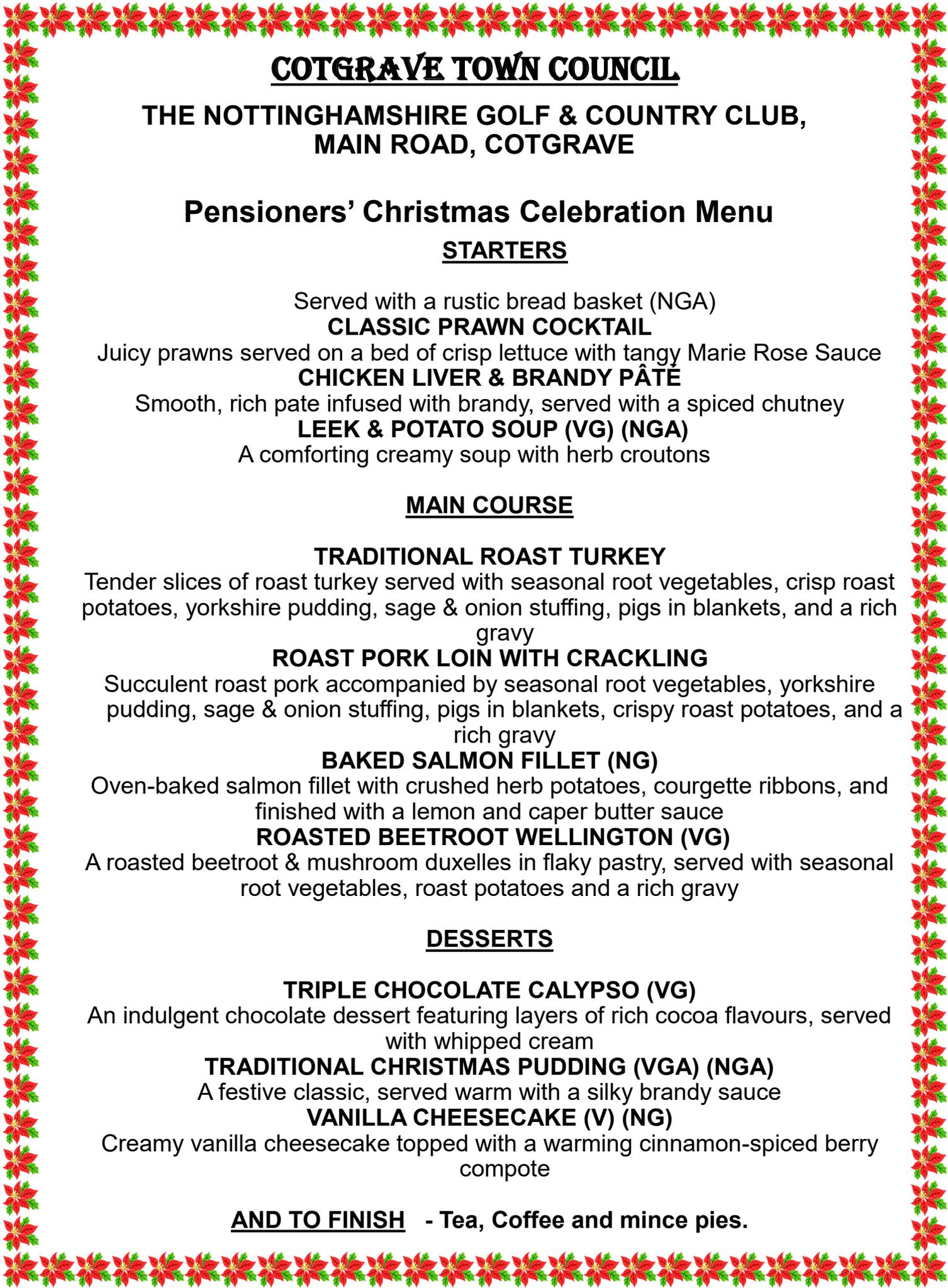
**To be eligible you must be in receipt of a State Pension and we will
require some means of identification i.e. utility bill etc.**

Tickets issued on a first come, first served basis. No reservation of tickets
permitted.

If you need to sit as a group, you will need to present and purchase tickets as a
group

PLEASE BRING CORRECT PAYMENT

Any questions/queries please contact:
Cotgrave Town Council 0115 9893876 or email: clerk@cotgrave-tc.gov.uk



COTGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

**THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB,
MAIN ROAD, COTGRAVE**

Pensioners' Christmas Celebration Menu

STARTERS

Served with a rustic bread basket (NGA)

CLASSIC PRAWN COCKTAIL

Juicy prawns served on a bed of crisp lettuce with tangy Marie Rose Sauce

CHICKEN LIVER & BRANDY PÂTE

Smooth, rich pate infused with brandy, served with a spiced chutney

LEEK & POTATO SOUP (VG) (NGA)

A comforting creamy soup with herb croutons

MAIN COURSE

TRADITIONAL ROAST TURKEY

Tender slices of roast turkey served with seasonal root vegetables, crisp roast potatoes, yorkshire pudding, sage & onion stuffing, pigs in blankets, and a rich
gravy

ROAST PORK LOIN WITH CRACKLING

Succulent roast pork accompanied by seasonal root vegetables, yorkshire pudding, sage & onion stuffing, pigs in blankets, crispy roast potatoes, and a
rich gravy

BAKED SALMON FILLET (NG)

Oven-baked salmon fillet with crushed herb potatoes, courgette ribbons, and finished with a lemon and caper butter sauce

ROASTED BEETROOT WELLINGTON (VG)

A roasted beetroot & mushroom duxelles in flaky pastry, served with seasonal root vegetables, roast potatoes and a rich gravy

DESSERTS

TRIPLE CHOCOLATE CALYPSO (VG)

An indulgent chocolate dessert featuring layers of rich cocoa flavours, served with whipped cream

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS PUDDING (VGA) (NGA)

A festive classic, served warm with a silky brandy sauce

VANILLA CHEESECAKE (V) (NG)

Creamy vanilla cheesecake topped with a warming cinnamon-spiced berry compote

AND TO FINISH - Tea, Coffee and mince pies.

NO NEED TO BOOK

FREE SESSION

JUST TURN UP

Do you have a Long Term Health Condition or care for someone who has?

If so, come along and join us at the Cotgrave's Long Term Health Conditions Support Group!

Our dates for 2025:



9th October
13th November
4th December



2pm - 3.30pm
at The Cotgrave Methodist Church

These sessions will have a hot topic to try and support and help you to manage your Long-Term Health Condition.

We will have some time for peer support – **cuppa and chat** with other people living with a long-term condition

Finished with some **chair based yoga exercises** to help build strength and improve your mobility

For further information please email us: nnicb-nn.cotgrave-inw@nhs.net

* These sessions are being established as part of the Cotgrave Integrated Neighbourhood Working project in partnership with the South Notts NHS Place Based Partnership, The Cotgrave Surgery, Rushcliffe Primary Care Network and the Rushcliffe Community & Voluntary Service

* These sessions will be fully funded for the first year by the South Notts NHS Place Based Partnership.



You don't have to quit alone

Free stop smoking support at Cotgrave Surgery



Scan to sign up!



What to expect:

You'll receive 12 weeks **FREE** supply of Nicotine Replacement including vapes, patches, gum and lozenges



Delivered by qualified NCSCT Tobacco Practitioners



Cotgrave Surgery, NG12 3UQ



It's easy! Call Your Health Notts on 0115 772 2515 to book your appointment



WHAT'S ON IN COTGRAVE WITH YOUR HEALTH NOTTS



FREE Strength and Balance sessions Cotgrave Welfare Scheme Thursday morning - Cotgrave residents only.

A 12-week intervention designed to improve strength and balance for those at risk of falls or have had a fall. Sessions are delivered by qualified Otago Strength and Balance Instructors.

“The sessions have increased my confidence and motivated me to get out walking more, socialise again and feeling more mobile”

FREE Adult Weight Management sessions Cotgrave Welfare Scheme Thursday afternoon

A 12-week programme combining 45 minutes of moderate, ability based exercise with educational nutrition sessions. Each session supports achievable goal-setting to support healthy habit formation and long-term weight management.

“My prediabetic level dropped from 43 to 38! It's hard work, but I look forward to coming every week”

How to refer: Call 0115 772 2515 www.yourhealthnotts.co.uk



NHS Blood Pressure Check Service

Providing NHS services



40 years or over? Do you know your blood pressure?

The NHS Community Pharmacy Blood Pressure Check Service supports risk identification and prevention of cardiovascular disease (CVD).

High blood pressure significantly increases the risk of having a heart attack or stroke, but early detection and treatment can help people live longer, healthier lives.

IF YOU ARE

- Over the age of 40
- Have not previously been identified as having hypertension or a related condition* and
- Have not had your blood pressure measured by a health professional within the last six months

Have yours checked today and receive a free gym/swim pass for one of the Lex Leisure Facilities which include Cotgrave Leisure Centre, Bingham Leisure Centre, Keyworth Leisure Centre and Rushcliffe Arena.



The Cotgrave Club

Looking for a place with something for everyone? We're a vibrant, welcoming community club that offers great entertainment, top facilities, and a friendly atmosphere for all ages.

Catch all the live action on Sky Sports and TNT Sports, shown across multiple screens, so you never miss a moment.

Join us for Cash Bingo every Wednesday and Saturday at 8pm, plus Sunday at 1pm and 8pm. Fancy a challenge? Take part in our Quiz Night with cash prizes on the first Friday of every month.

Every weekend, we bring the vibes with live music every Saturday and Sunday evening—perfect for a night out with friends or family.

We're home to 37 football teams for all ages and abilities, so whether you want to play or support, there's a team for you.

Families are more than welcome! There's a safe outdoor play area for kids, and a family room available to hire for smaller events.

We're also proudly dog-friendly, so your furry friends don't have to miss out.

Enjoy our two full-size snooker tables and free pool available all day, every day.

Planning a party or event? Our main hall holds up to 500 people, and we also have smaller rooms available to suit your needs.

Become a member and enjoy discounts on all drinks and snacks with our membership card—just one of the many perks of being part of our club.

Come along and see why we're known as one of the most welcoming community spots around. Whether you're here to watch, play, relax or celebrate — you're always welcome.



Contact:

Tel: 0115 9892409

Email: Office@cotgraveclub.co.uk

Web: www.cotgraveclub.co.uk



Belvoir Health Patient Participation Group (PPG)

The PPG Membership has grown steadily this year, and we have representatives from Cotgrave, Cropwell and Bingham at each meeting. New members are welcome, and we know we need to represent the different members of our communities. Currently we are interested in input from younger people and families with children.

Each meeting is minuted and these minutes are published on the practice website:
<https://www.belvoirhealthgroup.co.uk/>

Flu and Covid clinics: the autumn vaccinations have now been scheduled. Members have supported the clinics and helped eligible patients to gain their "jabs" in an orderly and efficient manner.

Dementia and and/or Carers event: we were pleased to coordinate a free event that gave advice to those who are living with dementia. This included legal, financial, and practical support. Additionally, a friendly cuppa and a chat.

Use of technology - we all recognise the changing world where important services require an understanding of technology. Examples include the new appointment system and use of the NHS app. For some it can be challenging, and sessions have been provided to learn how to use technology, including, websites more easily. These are constantly reviewed to give everyone a chance to understand them.

<https://www.rushcliffehealth.org/nhsapp>
There are many opportunities to improve health in Cotgrave and hopefully people take up what is on offer.
<http://www.yourhealthnotts.co.uk/>

ADHD SUPPORT GROUP

Adults, Parents and Carers

Join us on the 2nd Friday of every month

Drop-in 11am-13:00pm

Manvers Arms
The Cross
Cotgrave
NG12 3HS

My support group is a great opportunity to meet new people and gain support and advice from an ADHD Specialist Family Practitioner

ADHD GOLD *Caroline Ementon Gould - ADHD coach / Specialist Family Practitioner.*

Tel: 07445 374113
caroline@adhdgold.co.uk
www.adhdgold.co.uk



Cotgrave WI had a fun time in September, celebrating 100 years since its formation. At an event held in All Saints' Church, members were joined by special guests, James Naish MP, the Mayor of Rushcliffe and his wife and Councillor Richard Butler and all enjoyed a cuppa and a piece of fabulous birthday cake. Another guest of honor was Mary Gadd, who has been a member of Cotgrave WI for 70 years. She has lots of stories about the WI over the years and will be sharing them with us at our annual meeting in November.



In October, members will be improving their macrame skills and making a Christmas decoration.

November is the annual meeting where the new committee and president are elected. Volunteers are most definitely welcome! There's the usual fish and chip supper to look forward to after the business has been concluded.

In December, members will be celebrating Christmas with a meal and then the new programme of speakers and activities for 2026 will be available. Look out for details on Facebook or our website. As always, visitors and new members are very welcome.

Cotgrave WI meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7.15 in the Methodist Church Hall. For more information, see the website cotgravewi.weebly.com or email cotgravewi@yahoo.co.uk or find and message us on Facebook.

COTGRAVE COMMUNITY KITCHEN NEWSLETTER



At our sustainable market we believe in empowering our community by providing high-quality surplus food. Join us in our mission to promote sustainability while enjoying fresh produce.



Our Festive Plans

We will be enjoying the Christmas festivities at the light switch on at the precinct on Friday 28th November, serving jacket potatoes, mushy peas and sausage cobs. Our ever-popular tombola will also be returning; we hope to see you there!

We have a long-standing relationship with residents at Thurlbeck and will be hosting a Christmas lunch, which we are all looking forward to.

We also have plans in the pipeline to work with Metropolitan housing to produce Christmas hampers and are currently working through what this will look like!

Harvest Festival

We had the pleasure of visiting Cotgrave Candleby Lane School to celebrate Harvest with them. It was wonderful to feel the energy and excitement of the children in the room. We have a BIG thank you for the following schools who collected food for us to distribute:

Cotgrave Candleby Lane
South Wolds School
Kinouton Primary School
Cropwell Bishop Scheel



Our Cooking Continues!

We have served some great meals over the last few months. Not only do we continue to cook for residents at Thurlbeck, but we provide surplus food to the Cotgrave Warm Space and Barnstone & Langar Warm Space.

Did you know we support over 210 people each week? We work with other groups to ensure nothing goes to waste.

New Container

We are hugely grateful to have received a community grant which has been used for a brand new storage container to help us to save even more food from waste,

The principal contractor for Cotgrave Leisure Centre, Leisure Energy, awarded the grant to us as a part of their initiative to give back to the local community. Thank you.



Summer Party

We hosted our bi-annual summer party in July as a way of thanking all our volunteers, suppliers and supporters. It really was a wonderful afternoon where we were joined by over 70 wonderful people, all of whom help bring CCK to life.

We are open to all every Thursday and Saturday from 10:30-12:00 and have fresh, frozen and tinned produce, along with toiletries, flower and cleaning products.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH CHURCH, COTGRAVE

Plumtree Road, Cotgrave,
Nottingham, NG12 3HT



www.allsaintscotgrave.co.uk



<https://en-gb.facebook.com/allsaintscotgrave/>

The Rector (The Revd Paul Massey) may be contacted on 0115 9892223 or email : rector@allsaintscotgrave.co.uk

**Church Wardens:
Gordon Marsh 0115 9899930
Sheila Astill 0115 9892844**

The activities of All Saints' Church here in our community of Cotgrave, and matters relating to the services and events held in our church building can be found on the pages of our Website and are also communicated through our regular Facebook page postings. If you would like to be added to our mailing list please send your contact details via email to Revd. Paul.

Sunday Morning Service

We hold a service of Holy Communion in church every Sunday morning commencing at 10.30am. Information regarding our services of Holy Communion can be found on our website.

Wednesday Services

9.15am Cotgrave Church of England Primary School
Service in church (term time only)
10.30am Eucharist

Reflections / Messages

Recorded video messages, reflecting on our present times from the perspective of faith, produced by our local clergy and lay ministers, can also be found on the Website / Facebook.

'Little Lights' Children's Group

Our 'Little Lights' children's group is active in church on Sundays in school term for the 10.30am service.

Ladies Fellowship

1st Tuesday of the month, 2.00 pm in All Saints' Church.
Speaker, fellowship and fun.

Memory Café

Last Thursday of every month, 2-4pm in church.

Bellringing Practice

Friday evenings in church beginning at 7.45pm. Open to all, with a warm welcome to those who wish to try ringing for the first time.

Weddings, Baptisms & Funerals

Please contact us via Revd. Paul's email address or telephone number to enquire regarding any of these services.

Seasonal Events & Services

**Service of Remembrance
All Saints' Church,
Sunday 9th November 10.30am**

We gather together as a community to remember with gratitude those who have served our country in times of conflict and in the preservation of peace, and those who have given their lives in this service.

**Christmas Coffee Morning
Saturday 13th December 10am to 12 noon in
Church**

Coffee, tea and homemade cakes and raffle.

**Christingle Service
Sunday 7th December 10.30am**

We celebrate the 'light of Christ'; in this service when children and adults alike gather to remember the meaning at the heart of every Christmas through the making of the Christingle.

**Cotgrave's Carols by Candlelight
Sunday 14th December 6pm**

A service of readings and carols for Christmas chosen by the people of Cotgrave in the setting of a church wonderfully illuminated by the soft glow of candlelight. Stay afterwards and enjoy a cup of mulled wine and a mince pie.

Christmas Eve

Wednesday 24th December

Family Nativity Service 3pm

Watch with the shepherds, travel with the wise men and celebrate with the angels as we remember the story of the first Christmas as played out by our children and young people.

Midnight Mass 11.30pm

Capture the wonder of the season in this celebration of the birth of Christ as we greet him early on Christmas morning.

**Christmas Day Service
Thursday 25th December 10.30am**

Bring yourself, and bring a favourite present to show, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

Please refer to our Facebook or Website pages for any later additional to our seasonal services.



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2024-2025

The good weather we experienced in Spring fortunately continued throughout Summer and hopefully it enabled you all to have an enjoyable holiday and (judging by the appetizing smells that were noticeable most weekends) BBQs were high on many families' agendas.

I am sure everyone will be pleased that the majority of the roadworks, which seemed never ending, have been completed and among the most noticeable improvement has been the re-surfacing of Ringleas. The overall repairs that have been carried out will make driving around Cotgrave not a game of 'dodge the potholes' as it has been previously!!

The Summer Event held in June was a great success and one of the main attractions was the Pump Track, which proved to be highly enjoyable for the younger people of Cotgrave, this has led to Council making enquiries about a possible permanent Pump Track in Cotgrave. The event was well attended and many favourable comments were received expressing residents enjoyment.

As we move towards the darker nights through Autumn there are a number of events to look forward to. Firstly, there will be the Fireworks Display at the Welfare Field, this is taking place on 2nd November. Last year saw an increase in the numbers attending and the extra volunteers were on hand to help out at the event.

The Remembrance Service will be held as usual in All Saints' Church on Sunday 9th November and will be followed by the procession from the Church to the War Memorial for the wreath-laying ceremony. As in previous years we will be honoured by the presence of the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire who is HM the King's representative.

The next two events will round off the year in grand style. The first being the switch on of the Christmas Tree Lights together with the Christmas Market. This will be held on Friday 28th November. There will be a number of stalls and additional attractions to be enjoyed by all who attend.

At this point I would like to offer my personal thanks to the Town Clerk and the Administration Manager who undertake all the arrangements for the Summer Event, the Fireworks Display and the Christmas Event. These are no small undertakings and their efforts ensure that everything runs smoothly.

The last event of the year will be the Pensioners' Christmas Lunch, details of which you will find on pages 8 and 9 of this newsletter. The event will take place on Thursday 18th December at the Nottinghamshire Golf and Country Club. Councillor Leo Healy each year makes all the arrangements for this event - this is not a small undertaking for which we are all grateful. Tickets are available from Cotgrave Leisure Centre on Tuesday 2nd December 9.30 - 11.30am.

All that remains is for me to hope you enjoy what has been planned for you between now and the end of the year and to wish you a joyful and peaceful Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

**Councillor Ian Shaw, Chairman,
Cotgrave Town Council**

COTGRAVE ARMED FORCES COVENANT

Cotgrave Town Council signed the Armed Forces Covenant in 2019 and in 2020 were awarded the Silver Award (Employer Recognition Scheme Silver Awards (Employer Recognition Scheme)). The Council has its own dedicated Armed Forces Community Champion.

The champion is able to provide and signpost any personnel, whether regular, reservist, veteran and/or their families and dependents with information that is relevant to the armed forces community, they have a wealth of contacts for agencies that are available to help anyone from the armed forces community. For more information please contact:

Email: cotgravearmedforcescc@gmail.com or telephone 08494 495105.

New Play Equipment

Cotgrave Town Council has been awarded UK Shared Prosperity Funding for the installation of four additional pieces of play equipment across Ringleas and Broadmeer play parks. Each site will receive two new pieces of equipment thanks to the investment from Cotgrave Town Council and Rushcliffe Borough Council.

2025/2026 COTGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

Chair: Councillor Ian Shaw

Vice Chairman: Councillor N Monday

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B Indicates a member of Rushcliffe Borough Council

N Indicates a member of Nottinghamshire County Council

F indicates a member of the Finance Committee

Dates of Meetings 2025-2026

| | JUNE | JULY | AUG | SEPT | OCT | NOV | DEC | JAN | FEB | MARCH | APR | MAY |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------------------|
| Full Council | 16 | 21 | - | 8 | 20 | 17 | 8 | 19 | 16 | 16 | 20 | <u>ATM/ACM & COUNCIL</u> 18 |
| Finance Committee | - | 7 | - | 1 | - | 10 | - | 12 | - | - | 13 | |

ATM -= Annual Town Meeting

ACM = Annual Council Meeting

Notes:

1. Meetings of the Council take place on the third Monday evening of every month (except for the months of August, September and December) at 7.00pm. Finance Committee Meetings are also held on Mondays as agreed by Council and held at Cotgrave Futures Meeting Room, Candleby Lane, Cotgrave.
2. Agendas are published on the Council's notice boards, Website and Facebook page prior to meetings. Members of the public and press are welcome to observe proceedings and time is allowed for brief participation. Electors are, of course, free to lobby their elected representatives directly at any time other than when they are in meetings to acquaint them with their views and concerns.
3. The Town Clerk, can be reached by telephone on 0115 9893876 or by writing to her at Suite F, Cotgrave Business Hub, Candleby Lane, Cotgrave, Nottingham, NG12 3US

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