

# You've moved into Welton. Welcome to our friendly village.



**Welcome to Welton**, a village and civil parish in Northamptonshire. The village is 2.6 miles north of Daventry. It is 13 miles west-north west of Northampton, 9 miles south east of Rugby and 78 miles north-west of London.

The village is 1 mile along the A361 that runs between Daventry and Crick where the M1 junction 18 gives access to the national motorway network north and south.

The village and parish of Welton had a population of 608 in the 2011 census. For the purposes of local government, the village falls within the district of Daventry.

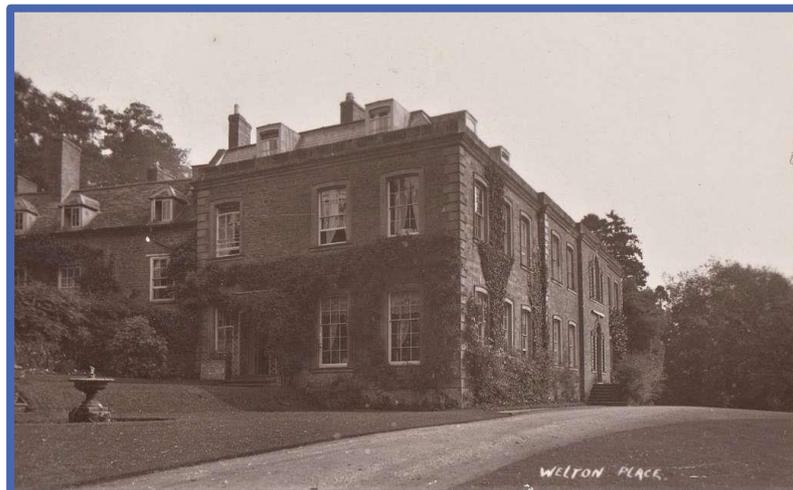
## Village History

The name *Welton* derives from the Old English meaning *Wel* or spring and *Ton* being the Saxon word for a village. Archaeological evidence has shown that the six springs in the parish prompted a Roman encampment.

Welton has an entry in the Domesday Book of 1085 where its population, land ownership and productive resources were extensively detailed. In the survey Welton is recorded by the names of *Waletone*, *Weletone* and *Welintone*. The tenants post-conquest were Wulfrner from the Count of Mortain, Osbern from Hugh de Grandmesnil and Leofric from the Countess Judith. The survey also lists that there was a mill.

The parish church has a prominent position in the centre of the village. The building is constructed from Northamptonshire iron stone. At the western end there is a square tower with corner buttresses. The present building is probably 14<sup>th</sup> century, built on the site of an earlier church.

Welton Place was a large country house which once stood in the village but was demolished in 1972. It was built by Joseph Clarke in 1758. The Clarke family had been associated with the parish of Welton since around 1596. Joseph Clarke had been High Sheriff of Northamptonshire.



Welton Place was converted to flats but ultimately demolished in 1972. The deeds, family and estate papers including household accounts are available at the National Archives covering the Clarke family from 1366 to 1896. Clarke's Way now stands on the site of the house.

Find out more about Welton's history [here](#)

There is a local history group that meets monthly, details can be found in the Welton News and Views.

## Village Hall



Welton Village Hall is owned by the villagers with the day to day running in the hands of the Village Hall Committee.

The recently refurbished, fully accessible building can be hired for private events or regular group sessions.

Ideal for children's parties, barn dances, public meetings or regular community activities.

Rates vary depending on length of hire and type of event.

Find out more [here](#).

## The White Horse Pub

The White Horse is run by Margaret and Simon and has a snug, lounge, restaurant and beer garden.

It's a social hub with events such as fortnightly pub quiz, skittles matches, music events, BBQs and more.



Find out more [here](#)

## Welton Church of England Academy



The first school in the village was established in 1820 and situated near to the present school building. The school moved to its present site in Well Lane in 1910 and it was extended in 1976, 1995 and 2004.

The school's catchment area consists of Welton and Ashby St Ledger but in addition, a number of pupils come from Daventry other surrounding villages. The school is very popular and has been oversubscribed for several years.

The present school consists of five classrooms, a hall, and a library. There are 2 designated activity areas, staff room, administration office and headteacher's study. Outside the school there is a landscaped playground and use of the adjoining recreation field for sports activities.

Find out more [here](#)

## St Martin's Church



Our local vicar is the Rev Nat White who can be contacted on 01788 890298. Find out more about the church [here](#).

## Welton Good Neighbour Scheme

Imagine you're home alone with a young child. You've just dropped your last pint of milk on the floor. Planning to pop to the shop, you find your car battery has died. Or you're a little unsteady on your feet and a light bulb blows. You're tempted to use the step ladder but worried that you might fall. Perhaps you have a friendly neighbour you could call on to give you a hand? Perhaps not.

Well, as a Welton resident you're in luck because help is just a phone call away. The Welton Good Neighbour Scheme (WGNS) is part of a county wide initiative that capitalises on the innate desire of many people to lend a hand if they can. Manned by a team of volunteers, anyone in our village, young or old, can call a hotline and request help.

The call taker then consults the volunteer list to see who has the best skills to help. The range of situations they can help with can be any kind of physical, technical, or practical task – the team are open to all types of request and will always do their best to assist.



It's not just about sorting those annoying problems either. Many of the volunteers can offer friendship visits to any villager who feels isolated. And with a monthly coffee afternoon and regular pub lunch, it's a great way to bring the village together and help people to have a social life right on their doorstep. If you struggle with mobility to get to these events, the WGNS can arrange to transport you to the door.

Anyone in the village who needs the services of WGNS can contact them on 07938 237070 Monday to Friday between 9am and 12 noon.

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month 2pm Village hall – coffee and cake afternoon

Last Friday of month 12.30pm The White Horse – WGNS lunch

## Village Communications

### News and Views

A village newsletter is distributed approx. once a quarter. The editor can be contacted on [WNV\\_editor@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:WNV_editor@yahoo.co.uk).

A copy can be found on the Parish Council website [here](#).

### Welton Voice

Welton Voice is the village Facebook page. Like and follow to receive regular information about things happening in and around the village. Access it [here](#).

## Welton Watch

Welton Watch is a closed WhatsApp group limited to Welton residents to share important messages, requests and offers of help instantly and securely around members of the group. To join please contact [Debby Levison](#).

## What's On

Welton may be a small village but there is plenty going on for a full social life.

Activities in the village hall include:

Rainbows	Thursdays in term time	4.45pm
Brownies	Wednesdays in term time	5.15pm – 6.45pm
Guides & Rangers	Wednesdays in term time	7.00pm – 8.30pm
Parents & Toddlers	Thursdays in term time	9.30am – 11.00am
Parish Council	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday each month	7.30pm
Short Mat Bowls	Wednesdays	2.00pm
WI	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month	7.30pm
Pilates	Tuesdays x 3 sessions	9am, 10.30am & 6pm
Bridge Club	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays	7.15pm
Art Group	Wednesdays in term time	9.30am – 12.30pm
History Group	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	7.30pm
Table Tennis	Occasional Thursdays	7.00pm – 9.00pm
Family Martial Arts	Sundays	10.00am – 11.00am
Feeling good fitness	Friday	1.30pm

Twice yearly village quiz

Yearly panto

Additionally there is a regular pub quiz and a yearly safari supper. To register your interest in the safari supper please email [safarisupper@aol.com](mailto:safarisupper@aol.com).

## Parish Council

The village has an active Parish Council, the noticeboard for the council is outside the village hall. Please see their website [here](#).

There is also a notice board in the playing field. The Parish Council maintains the playing field and St Martin's Spinney and is responsible for putting together our Neighbourhood Plan which can be seen [here](#).

## Neighbourhood Watch

The village has an active Neighbourhood Watch scheme. Contacts are below

### **Ashby Road**

Jeanette Mortimore 871011

Mariann Holloway 311295

### **High Street, Well Lane and Station Road**

Jack Perry 704282

### **Welton Park and Clarkes Way**

Jean Williams 872368

### **Churchill Road and The Paddock**

Looking for a volunteer

### **Kiln Lane, Emery Close and Halford Way**

Looking for a volunteer

### **The bottom of the village**

Bob Somerville 871275

## Welton Recreation Trust

WRC is our village charity that arranges social activities and contributes financially to the village. In recent times the WRC has donated two defibrillators to the village, located at the school car park and inside the village hall. They have also helped to provide new playground equipment in the field.

WRC organise regular walks, if you wish to join the WhatsApp group for this please text 07802 981655.

## Transport Links

Welton formerly had its own railway station, but today, the nearest railway station is at Long Buckby for the West Midlands train services to Birmingham New Street, Northampton and London Euston stations. For inter-city services (Avanti West Coast), passengers should change at Rugby, the next station westbound.

There is a bus station in Daventry. You can find more information on the Stagecoach website [here](#).

### **DACT**

Daventry Area Community Travel or DACT is a service offered by volunteers to provide car transport for people needing assistance with health related appointments. A charge is made to cover driver's costs. Contact 01327 701666

## Fresh Eggs

Freshly laid free range eggs can be bought from Stonepit Farm on Ashby Road.