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Editorial

Dear readers

Welcome to this Festive edition of your local magazine. Firstly, I must thank all the previous team for their involvement in the magazine over the last five years, and wish them a well earned rest (although Rod is very kindly introducing me to distributors over the next few months – I don't think he can keep away!).

Looking through Tracy's opening editorials over the past year, I hope to capture their flavour, and welcome any thoughts and observations that I can include. I'm not the only newbie this month, on page 14 we welcome Marie, the new Wansford Parish Clerk. Also within the pages are important dates for the festive calendar, the Village Men's Club Breakfast Meet (on page 19), plus the regular Parish notices. There are many community events organised in December and dates for diaries going into the new year.

A special mention must go to our advertisers and contributors, without whom Living Villages would not have survived, so thank you for your continued support.

Christmas is on it's way of course and the year seems to have flown by – in what seems like the blink of an eye January was here and we were looking to the future after putting 2020 behind us. 2021 was seen as a year where we could reset ourselves, it has passed in a blur of vaccinations and easing of restrictions with some caution – let us hope that 2022 is where we really do get back to normality and learn from the lessons of the past 24 months.

All the best

Craig

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St Leonard's, Apethorpe		
5 th	11.00am	Holy Communion
12 th	11.00am	Holy Communion
19 th	11.00am	Carol Service
25 th	10.00am	Christmas Communion
26 th	10.00am	BENEFICE HOLY COMMUNION

St Mary's and All Saints, Nassington		
Every Thursday at 9.30am Holy Communion BCP		
5 th	8.15am	Holy Communion BCP
	9.30am	All Age Communion
12 th	4.00pm	Christingle Making and Crafts
19 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
19 th	6.00am	Outdoor Carol Service
24 th	9.30am	Crib Service
25 th	10.00am	Christmas Communion

St Andrew's, Thornhaugh		
5 th	9.30am	Holy Communion for St Andrew
19 th	9.30am	Christmas Songs of Praise
24 th	3.00pm	Christingle
25 th	10.00am	Christmas Communion

St Mary's, Wansford		
Every Wednesday at 10.00am Morning Prayer		
12 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
19 th	6.00pm	Carol Service
24 th	11.30pm	BENEFICE MIDNIGHT MASS

St Mary Magdalene, Yarwell		
12 th	11.00am	Holy Communion
19 th	3.00pm	Carol Service
25 th	10.00am	Christmas Communion

St Mary's, Woodnewton		
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19 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
23 rd	7.00pm	Carol Service
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Everybody Welcome from All our Villages



I am sure that we are all looking forward to a Christmas that is rather different from last year. Although we are still living with Covid 19 around us, we are all hoping that we will be able to share together with family and friends during December without too many restrictions. Certainly in our churches we are planning our some wonderful Christmas events and services, although I anticipate that we will still be wearing masks, particularly when there are more people in church or when we are singing a lot. Still, we won't let that spoil our celebrations!

To begin our Christmas season we have a special **Christmas Coffee Stop on 8th December**. Our morning service at 10.00 a.m. will be Christmas themed with carols and then the Coffee Stop begins at 10.30 a.m.. I think there may be mince pies!!

As we approach Christmas, we have two great carol singing opportunities on **19th; Christmas Songs of Praise at Thornhaugh at 9.30 a.m. and at Wansford, the Carol Service with the choir at 6.00 p.m.** Do join us for one (or both!) of these as we sing and hear of the familiar story of Christ's birth that holds something new for us every time we share it together.

At Thornhaugh on Christmas Eve we celebrate the coming of Christ, the Light of the World, in our lovely Christingle service at 3.00 p.m. Later that night we have the **Midnight Mass** for all the villages in our group at Wansford – **please note the service begins at 11.30 p.m.** so that we can receive Holy Communion at the very beginning of Christmas Day (just after midnight!) Thank you to those at St. Mary's who will be up late, welcoming people from across the area for that service. **On Christmas morning we have our Christmas Communion at Thornhaugh at 10.00 a.m.** with a service which hopefully everyone will be able to join in with – young or old!

You will see that are many other services across the churches of our villages during the month, and everyone is welcome to any of them. Just come along to give thanks for the wonderful gift of God's Son who came to share our human life with us, that we may know his love more fully, as we celebrate with family and friends, old and new.

We know that this has been a challenging year in many ways, and that for some, Christmas may not be the joyful event that so many others are celebrating. Both our churches are open each day to provide a space for quiet reflection, peace and prayer, and please be assured of our prayers if you find this season difficult.

This can also be a very busy season for many, so thank you to all those who give up their time in the church to make all our plans possible, whether decorating, rehearsing with the choir, setting up for services welcoming.....the list goes on – thank you, all!

May this season be blessed for all and may you know the Light of Christ in your hearts.

With every blessing,

Rev. Jane

Advance notice – On 9th January we will be trying out a new family service and craft session at 4.00 pm at Wansford Church. More details in the next magazine, but save the date now!

CASTOR BENEFICE

Castor Benefice Services including Carol Services and Christmas Masses

We are still maintaining the following service pattern every Sunday in each of our **Parish churches** until further notice.

Marholm 9.00am - Holy Communion (Morning Prayer on 4th Sunday)

Castor 8.00am Holy Communion (said service) 10.15am - Sung Eucharist

Sutton 9.00am on 4th Sunday of the month - Holy Communion

Every Wednesday morning at 10am there will be Holy Communion at Castor.

CAROL SERVICES

Castor 4pm 12 December Chringle

Stibbington 6pm 12 December (see separate poster)

Sutton 4pm 19 December

Marholm 6pm 19 December

Castor 4pm 24 December Crib Service

CHRISTMAS EVE 24

December MASSES

Marholm 6pm

Sutton 6pm

Castor 11.30pm Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY 25

December MASSES

Castor 8am Said Communion,
10.15am Festival Eucharist

We still continue to celebrate Evensong via Zoom at 6pm every Sunday, if you wish to join us please contact the Benefice office for the Zoom link and access code - admin.castor@btconnect.com

David Ridgeway

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The Friends of St Mary's and St Andrew's

After a very successful Harvest Lunch in October, by popular demand we are trialling a monthly Coffee Stop over the winter .

The next one will be on Wednesday 8th December in St Mary's Church from 10.30. It will be Christmas themed and everyone is very welcome to join in Morning Prayer with carols at 10 am before enjoying coffee and seasonal treats.

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November meeting saw us channelling our inner crafter; so instead of a speaker at this meeting, we decided to have a more interactive meeting. We invited local crafter and good friend to our WI group Susan Campbell. Susan has been able to support us over a number of years, helping us develop our crafting skills.

So armed with card, Christmas wrapping paper, tape and a sharp pair of scissors we were ready. Under the skilled and patient guidance of Susan, we were all able to produce festive Christmas cards. Some of us even decided to have a go solo and produce more at home ready to give to friends and family.

Although the Book club is not joining to resume in the new year, a number were able to meet informally during November, spending a couple of hours sharing the books that they had read and enjoyed over lockdown. From the extensive list the ladies are now going to produce a list of recommended reads for the group to share on the first formal meeting – 20th January 2022, at 7.30pm The Cross Keys Wansford. This first reading list of the year will also be published with our next article.

On behalf of our WI group, I would like to wish a Happy Christmas to Wansford village, and in particular to those that have continued to support us and our fundraising events supporting MacMillan through out the year

Future events:

Tuesday 7th December 2-4pm, new coffee and craft club, at St Mary's church. To be held first and third Tuesday in the month.

Saturday 11th December, Christmas lunch The Red Lion Warmington

Tuesday 14th December, Christmas WI meeting

Thursday 20th January 2022 7.30pm Book Club meeting, at The Cross Keys Wansford

Both the Coffee & Craft club, and Book Club are open, not just for WI members only, and we look forward to others joining us.

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Footpath Safety Old Leicester Road, Wansford

Because animals are being grazed in the Wansford Pastures at present, the Wildlife Trust has locked the permissive footpath gate, meaning that walkers wanting to go up to Sulehay Woods have to go to the official Public Footpath entrance at the junction of Old Leicester Road and Kings Cliffe Road. If you stay on the footpath on the north side of Old Leicester Road, heading west, you have to cross the road right on the junction and this can be quite hazardous.

To try and make this safer, Wansford Parish Council has cut back the undergrowth on the south side of Old Leicester Road between the Pastures gate and the Public Footpath. The route is shown in red on the attached Google Earth image.

The walking area is approximately 2m wide and it is difficult to make it wider as the ground falls away quite steeply in places. The idea is that people can cross the road at the Pastures gate and then walk along to the Public Footpath in safety. The area has not been surfaced in any way but it drains well and, if plenty of people use it, the brambles should be kept at bay.



Richard Clarke

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SIBSON-CUM-STIBBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Sibson-cum-Stibbington Parish Council met on Thursday the 4th November.

The meeting was held under strict Covid 19 Conditions.

Councillors present – M. Beuttell, I. Turner, M. Riddington, E. Engel, J. Wright

Parish Clerk – Wendy Gray.

Apologies received from Cllr. M. Bradshaw.

There was 1 Declaration of interest from Cllr. J. Wright (Item 8) – Larkfleet forthcoming proposal for building of Houses. No Application in process or details yet received.

The minutes of the PC meeting held on the 2nd September, were approved and duly signed.

All payments were approved and duly signed off. Parish Clerk, Grass cutting, and Dog bins.

There were 3 planning applications discussed. 21/02401/HHFUL Proposed domestic garage at 21 Church Lane Stibbington – No objections raised.

20/01575/LDE - Application withdrawn

21/02054/S73 – PC objected to this application for planning in retrospect.

Newlands industrial site Proposal. All neighbouring PC's attended an exhibition held at Elton Hall. All neighbouring PC's are totally against this proposal, and residents are recommended to write to their MP Shailash Vara to register their objections.

Queens Platinum Jubilee – How should we celebrate – recommendations would be welcome.

There was correspondence from a resident complaining of the odour created by the spreading of slurry on adjoining fields in the Parish. The Farmer involved has given assurances regarding this.

There is a missing sign on Church Lane, which has been reported to Highways. The double Yellow lines along Old Great North Road are due to be installed. NVR have been contacted regarding this.

Cllr. Bradshaw forwarded a report from the Christie Hall Management Committee.

Questions were raised regarding the absence of Remembrance Day poppies and decoration in Stibbington Village – This will be addressed.

The absence of the village sign on entry to Wansford was again discussed and a new sign will be forthcoming. There was also a discussion regarding potholes, which has been reported. It was observed the HDC sent a street sweeper to the village recently. The local traffic sign on the Flyover from the A1 to Stibbington has still not been repaired and it has again been reported to Highways.

The date of the next PC meeting will be held on the 6th January, 2022 in the Christie Hall.



Wansford Parish Council met in the Community Hall on the 8th November with all Councillors present.

Wansford Parish Clerk



The great news is that Wansford Parish Council has a new Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (RFO). Marie Lewis has bravely taken up the job and is rapidly finding her way around the Council's business. Marie has been a resident of the village since 1990 and is well known for editing the Nene Bridge WI Times. She is a very experienced administrator and will no doubt keep the Councillors on the straight and narrow. One of her early tasks will be to bring the Parish Council web site www.wansfordvillage.com up to date as it has fallen into disuse in the last few months with no clerk in place. To contact Marie on WPC business please use the clerk@wansford-pc.gov.uk email address.

Good Neighbours – Rural Peterborough

The meeting started with a presentation by Neil Boyce and Cate Harding about the Good Neighbours - Rural Peterborough organisation. This charity has been set up to expand the area covered by a scheme that has been running in Castor for a while. The charity aims to co-ordinate volunteers to help people in need in the rural community with transport to medical appointments, light gardening, some DIY tasks and other general support. The role of the charity is to match those in need with the volunteers while dealing with safeguarding issues, insurance and the like. Through Cate's links with Peterborough City Council, the charity can also co-ordinate with social services, adult social care and the doctors' surgeries. More details can be found at Home - Good Neighbours (goodneighboursrp.org.uk).

Peterborough Road Wall

The Council has been in touch with PCC about the state of the stone wall on the north side of Peterborough Road. The capping stones have been removed in one place close to the play area and the whole wall is heavily overgrown with ivy which is pulling the mortar out from between the stones. PCC own this wall and hopefully will deal with the problems fairly quickly to avoid further damage.

Planning

The Council considered 3 planning applications:-

The applications to reduce the size of trees at 2 Yarwell Road and build an extension at the back of 8 Swanhill both presented no problems.

The application for approval of reserved matters in relation to the construction of a house on land adjacent to 27 Nene Close (the wooden garages site) was more contentious. The Council has asked PCC to ensure that the window positions and types are clearly defined in any approval to ensure that the neighbours' privacy is not compromised. The plans submitted show the path linking Nene Close and Peterborough Road via the Community Hall being retained for public access. The Council asked for the retention of this path to be made a condition of the approval.

Tree Planting on the Green Space in Nene Close

PCC have written to Wansford Parish Council saying that they intend to plant 5 new trees of an unspecified variety on the green area opposite the houses on Nene Close. The exact location of these trees is not given. WPC have responded that this scale of tree cover would not be welcome but the planting of a single oak to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, in a location agree with the residents, would be more suitable. Gavin Elsey, our City Councillor, supports this approach. We await further developments.

Road Signs in the Village

Following the declassification of the A6118 to become the C340, PCC has agreed to work with the Parish Council to remove the existing decaying direction signs around the main cross roads in the village and replace them with traditional cast iron finger post signs. The signs have been ordered.

A47 Picnic Site River Sports Facility

Following meetings with Wansford Parish Council, Sacrewell has agreed to pursue the creation of a river sports centre on the land to the south of the disused A47 picnic site. The picnic site is in use at present as a working area for developments on the A47 and will remain in this use for several years. This will give time to prepare plans and finance for the river sports facility.

Budget

The Parish Council agreed to hold an Extraordinary Meeting to discuss the Parish Council budget for 2022-23 well before the annuary deadline.

The next WPC meeting is on 13th December 2021 at 7.30pm in the Community Hall and you are most welcome to come along. The agenda will be published on the Council noticeboard and web site at least 4 days before the meeting.

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THORNTAUGH PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Thornhaugh Parish Council took place on 15th November 2021 in St Andrew's Church. It was chaired by Chris Smith and present were Ashleigh Kewney, Louise Molesworth and Adrian Rodgers. In attendance was one Member of the Public. Apologies were given from Martin Lewis, Deirdre McCumiskey, Hannah Joyce and Gavin Elsey, Peterborough City Ward Councillor.

Public Forum

Camilla Plumb introduced herself, having purchased a house in the village recently. She brought with her some of the proposed plans/ideas they have for renovating the house to allay any concerns that residents might have about major building work. She has also volunteered her support for the Jubilee Event next year. Hannah Joyce sent apologies for not being able to attend the meeting but wanted to volunteer her support for the Jubilee Event.

Defibrillator

The following people so far have confirmed interest in the training. Lawrence Hall, Diane Dunlop, Nikki Higgins and Stuart Foreman. Anecdotally others have confirmed to Louise Molesworth that they are interested. Louise will remind people at the Christmas Tree Event to sign up formally so we can assess numbers. The training will likely be held in the Christie Hall.

Footpaths

Contact made with Lindsey Freeman who confirmed she is happy in principle to support a Footpaths' Group to help manage issues. Her thoughts were that the group would cover more than Thornhaugh as part of a wider remit. We have yet to discuss this further with Lindsey, however Peterborough City Council (PCC) will not provide landowners' names and contact addresses so once Lindsey is free to talk further, we can work out how to get that data and how a Footpaths' Group would work.

Living Villages

The November Edition confirmed that a new editorial team had been found to take over the magazine, so we won't have to say goodbye. Our thanks go to the whole Living Villages' team for their support over so many years and we welcome the continuity that the new Editor Craig Bunday, will bring.

Hanging Baskets

Autumn baskets are in place. The old summer baskets have had to be left on the verge under the new ones because PCC are not collecting garden waste until January. If anyone can dispose of them before then the Thornhaugh PC would be grateful, if not they will go in January when the PCC has advised garden waste services should resume.

Christmas Event

The tree once again has been kindly funded by the Bill Rogers' Memorial Fund. Nicky Rogers has produced a flyer and will distribute in due course. The Event is scheduled for 6pm on 12th December 2021 at the triangle on Meadow Lane and the carols will be accompanied by the Wansford Ukulele Group.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Louise Molesworth is leading on the event for the Parish Council, but she can't do it alone. Alongside other Councillors, so far offers of support have come from Joan and Alan Frost, Hannah Joyce and Camilla Plumb. Please let Louise or Deirdre know if you can help and have ideas on what sort of event you might like to have.

Finance

Adrian Rogers confirmed that all was on track with the funds. The second part of the precept has been received and we are still on track to have around £4k in funds at the end of the year. It was agreed that a discussion relating to the setting of an appropriate level of reserves be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

Internet Banking

It was agreed that changes in the operational management of the bank account with Barclays were not necessary since a policy relating to Financial Management is already in place. Adrian Rogers will once again approach Barclays regarding electronic access to the account for him to provide backup for the Clerk.

Insurance

Annual insurance renewed with new provider. 3-year deal in place. Insurance covers any volunteers

working on behalf of the Parish Council (eg litter pickers).

Planning Applications

21/01012 - Front porch & garage extension converting existing garage into home office including dormer window at 5 Home Farm Cottages, Leicester Road, Thornhaugh – Approved; 21/00873 Replacement of 3 metal windows on front elevation and 2 metal windows on rear elevation at Browetts Cottage, 6 Russell Hill, Thornhaugh – Approved; 21/01225 - Construction of a first-floor loft conversion above an existing garage at St Medard House, Russell Hill, Thornhaugh – Awaiting decision

Road Closures

A complaint has been lodged regarding the problem caused by PCC in closing both the A1 and the A47 entrances at the same time, with neither contractor aware of the other works taking place. An e-mail has been received from Peter Tebb of PCC with apologies for the confusion caused by the emergency works. He has acknowledged that more should have been done to inform residents and better communication between the two contractors about an escort service through the A47 works to allow residents to access the village. He is committed to ensuring this does not happen again.

Memorial Wreath

A donation was made by Chris Smith to purchase a Poppy Wreath on behalf of the Parish Council. In the event Stuart Foreman placed a previously purchased wreath on the memorial in order that more of the donation money would go to the British Legion.

Garden Waste

An exchange of emails has taken place with PCC regarding the withdrawal of garden waste collections at a key time of the year without them offering an alternative solution. Despite asking twice they have not taken on board the difficulties caused and are blaming the lack of drivers and the fact that HGV training has a major backlog. There would appear to be nothing more that they are prepared to do. Residents are still awaiting their refunds for the withdrawn service.

Pumpkin

Grateful thanks to whoever disposed of the pumpkin at the end of Meadow Lane.

Parish Council Elections

Parish Council Elections are due to be held in May next year. It was agreed that this will be an agenda item for the next meeting in January to manage the election process appropriately to ensure continuity.

Peterborough City Council Land Transfer

It has been reported that Peterborough City Council has transferred ownership of the turning area in Meadow Lane without following any form of consultation with residents or due process. The Parish Council has concerns about the way Peterborough City Council has handled this and what the repercussions might be both for Meadow Lane residents in terms of the loss of an amenity (turning space for cars, emergency vehicles, etc) that has been in place for many years and what precedent this might set for any other areas of City Council/Highways land. It was agreed that the Chairman would write to PCC to seek an explanation about why due process was not followed, and to seek confirmation of what conditions were attached to the transfer such that the space can continue to be used by residents as it has been for a significant period.

Speeding

There is still a lot of speeding through the village, on many occasions from residents themselves not people passing through. Next Newsletter to ask for support to commit to the speed limits in the village – as a reminder this is 20mph in the village itself, 40mph on the approach from the A47 to the outskirts of the village. Speed signs are in place.

Memorial

It was noted that the Parish Council would like to do something to commemorate Hubert Warren's services to the village following his sad passing. Louise Molesworth confirmed that she will also discuss this with the Burial Ground Committee to ensure no duplication.

Meeting Dates for 2022

17th January, 21st March, 16th May, 18th July, 19th September, 21st November 2022.

Date of Next Meeting

The next Meeting of Thornhaugh Parish Council will take place at 7.00 pm on 17th January 2022 in St Andrew's Church.



Villages Men's Breakfast Group

This popular event, open to men from local villages, is due to run again on **Saturday December 4th meeting at 8.30am** for a cooked breakfast at the Queens Head, Nassington followed by a talk and finishing at 10.00am. Before the first lock down the group was meeting every 2 months with attendances ranging from 18 – 30 drawn from across Yarwell, Nassington, Wansford Thornhaugh, Woodnewton and Apethorpe. There is no formal membership, just an invitation to come each time we meet.

The meetings enable a chance to make new friends and contacts from your own and nearby villages in a relaxed and non pressured way. This has enabled help to be provided during lock down and now we can celebrate the chance to socialise and catch up on local and current events. Our speakers are mostly drawn from within the group talking about business, charitable work or past experiences with a short 20 minute talk and questions.

Breakfast is charged at £10 and any surplus cash is donated to the charity of the speaker's choice.

To register attendance or ask more questions please contact the group leader Ian Scott via **mensbreakfast@tconnect.com**.



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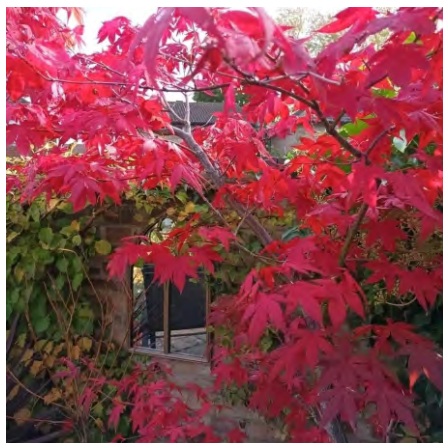
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Wansford Horticultural & Craft Society



It's that time of year for endlessly sweeping up the leaves and just enjoying the calming Autumn colours.

We had a lovely drinks & canapés evening on 12th November to say 'Thank you' to the 70 volunteers who made our Wansford Show such a success. The Show attracted 1000 visitors, made £3000 for charity and local organisations and was just good fun!). Many great ideas shared on the evening, and we have a flying start for our 76th Wansford Show on 27th August 2022.

We also mark the sad passing of Jill Rastall, after a long illness. It was Jill who first introduced Rhona & I to the Society and we all remember her fondly.

Our busy Events Schedule has been updated below. A popular highlight of the year is our Winter Party, which will be in January this year. New members always welcome. Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Gary Punter (Chair) garypunter@aol.com

Date	Event	Location
Fri Nov 12 th	Wansford Show drinks evening -Thank You for Volunteers. (plus 2021 review & look to 2022). <i>Invites to be sent shortly</i>	7.30pm Christie Hall
Sat 4 th Dec	'Christmas at Belton House' (Nat.Trust)	6.45pm Personal travel
Sat 22 nd Jan	AGM and Winter Party (dinner)	7.00pm Christie Hall
Thu 10 th Feb	Talk I: 'Live from the Potting Shed' by Martin Fish	On-line talk at 7.30pm
Tue 24 th March	Talk II: 'Houseplants' by Jane Perrone (former Guardian Garden editor and award winning 'On the Ledge' podcaster)	7.30pm Christie Hall
Thu 28 th Apr	Talk III: 'Auricula's, Theatre's and Plant Sales' by James Smallwood	7.30pm Christie Hall
Sat 14 May	Visit to Coton Manor and afternoon tea at 2.30pm	1pm Personal travel

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