#### Sheriff Hutton

## Village News



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The Parish Council met on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016. Councillors present at the meeting were Douglas Wooles (Chairman), Penny Bean (Vice-Chairman), Brian Parkinson, David Smith, Martin Dodd and Sally Downing. District Councillor Eric Hope (part meeting) and the Clerk was Louise Pink.

#### **Planning Applications for consideration**

16/00020/FUL West Mill House Farm, Stittenham Hill, Bulmer

Alteration to existing vehicular access to include new kerbing for Mr D Rooke. No Objection.

16/00146/HOUSE Box Tree Cottage, Church End, Sheriff Hutton

Erection of timber framed summer house in rear garden for Mrs L Ainley. The Parish Council feel that there is currently insufficient detail in the application to make a decision at this stage. A time extension has been requested and the Parish Council feel that a site meeting may be necessary.

## **Ryedale District Council – Decisions and Appeals** None.

#### 2016/17 Precept

After discussion it was agreed for the 2016/17 precept to be raised by 2% to £15,810. This small increase is due to decreasing grants being given to the Parish Council by North Yorkshire County Council for grass cutting and the filling salt bins. It was agreed that as the Parish Council wish to maintain grass cutting standards and retain the number of salt bins and heaps of salt currently available in the parish the shortfall has to be met from the precept.

#### Essential Maintenance on Sutton-on-the Forest Culvert, Sutton-on-the Forest

North Yorkshire County Council Highways have advised us that they will be carrying out essential maintenance works to Sutton-on-the-Forest Culvert, York Road, Sutton-on-the-Forest from the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2016 for approx. 6 weeks (weather permitting). The works will briefly comprise strengthening the mains sections of the existing culvert, rebuilding the wall at the west end and installing measures to protect the structure. Due to the nature of the works and narrow carriageway it will be necessary to close the road during the construction. A signed diversion route will be installed via Goose Lane, Carr Lane and Main Street. If anyone has any issues surrounding these works or the road closure please contact the Project Manager, Jad El-Khawaja on 01642 334206 or jad.el-khawaja@jacobs.com.

#### **Next Meeting**

The date of the next Parish Council meeting is Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Louise Pink, the Parish Clerk, can be contacted regarding all Parish Council matters at <a href="mailto:sheriffhuttonparishcouncil@gmail.com">sheriffhuttonparishcouncil@gmail.com</a> or on 01904 674552. 1 Sirocco Court, Fossway, York. YO31 8FE.

#### **Health Visitor Drop-in**

The Health Visitor will be next at the Village Hall from 9.30am – 11.30am on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** during the Toddler Session for anyone with pre-school children who would like to see her. Anyone wanting to see the Health Visitor is more than welcome to pop into Toddlers (if not attending anyway) while they are waiting, but consultations with the Health Visitor are confidential and in a separate room.

#### Facts Before Fracks: Sheriff Hutton Village Hall

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 7 - 10pm - please note change of date

Due to the success of the previous talk, a further talk has been organised about the impacts of fracking. Dr Tim Thornton a retired Ryedale GP is returning to talk about the potential health impacts of fracking. Jo and Steve White who have recently returned from Pennsylvania will be showing a film and talking about their trip. There will be refreshments and a Question & Answer session afterwards. Hoping to see lots of people there.

Lynne Blair

#### **Clare Prosser**

It was with great sadness that we received the news of Clare's untimely death in January.

Clare was a valued member of the community first responders (CFR) and dedicated much of her spare time to the support and care of others. Her passion for nature and wildlife shone through and she was frequently to be seen cycling along the lanes in all weathers.

Clare's care and compassion led to her fulfilment of her ambition to be a nurse and she graduated recently. This was but one of many of Clare's achievements in a life that was full and varied. Clare will be sadly missed by all who knew her and we join in expressing our condolences to Phil her husband, and her family.

Christine Parker (CFR), Tom Render, Kiri Frampton and Warren Bostock all Yorkshire Ambulance Service

Clare's Motto - 'Cycle to work and smell the seasons: cut hay, damp earth, roses and honeysuckle.'

#### **Sheriff Hutton Field Naturalists**

Field Nats held their AGM this month to review the year and set their programme for the coming one. The programme for 2016/17 is now being devised and will be publicised as soon as it is ready.

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March in the Village Hall at 7.30pm** when we will be having a talk on The Lower Derwent Valley and Skipwith Common, by the National Nature Reserves Senior Reserve Manager, Craig Raiston. We hope you can join us.

New members are always welcome. Anyone wishing to join the group or needing more information about Field Naturalists, please get in touch with either Andy on 01904 491308, Jim on 878667 or Tricia on 878995.

#### **Sheriff Hutton Cricket Club**

As we enter March thoughts begin to turn to the start of the new season. With that in mind preseason Indoor Net practice will start on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, for 6 weeks to the 8<sup>th</sup> April from 8.15 – 9.15pm at the Galtres Centre, Easingwold.

Whatever your ability if you are interested in attending or in finding out more about how to get involved with the club in a playing or non-playing capacity, please contact Tony Fisher (01904 491832) or John Armitage (07931 384227).

#### Advance notice of Fundraiser

On May 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 the Jumblies Jumble Sale will be a joint fund raiser in aid of Sheriff Hutton Cricket Club and Sheriff Hutton Bowls Club. Donations of good condition clothes, bric-a-brac, books, toys etc, cakes and tombola/raffle prizes will be most gratefully received. If you need help moving or storing items, please contact Tony Fisher (01904 491832) or John Armitage (07931 384227).

#### Sheriff Hutton Village Hall – 200 Club

February winners were 25, 77, 109, 155 and 188.

# Grand Prize Bingo

in aid of St Leonard's Church, Farlington

## March 4<sup>th</sup> Sheriff Hutton Village Hall Eyes Down at 7.30pm

Join us for a Fun, Fundraising Evening!

(please note - there will be no cash prizes)

#### **Super-Mobile Library**

The super-mobile library will visit the Village Hall Car Park between 10.00 and 12.00 noon on **Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.** 

#### **Sheriff Hutton Tennis Club**

**Notice of The 2016 Annual General Meeting** This will be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday the 9th March 2016 at 7.30pm. Items on the Agenda will include Subscription rates for 2016, teams, junior tennis and social tennis. This is your opportunity to have your say in how the club operates. New Committee members are always welcome so if you have an interest in promoting sport within the village this would be an ideal way to be involved. The club welcomes members of all standards so if you think tennis might be the game for you come along to the meeting and see what is on offer.

Court Re-Surfacing. The courts are having major refurbishment done in March. The work is due to start on March 14<sup>th</sup> and the courts will be closed for a week, they will open temporarily for 3 weeks and will close again for a week while the surface is painted. All the work is weather dependent so the dates may change, notices will be put on the gates and the courts will be locked with different locks when not available. The work will return the courts to their excellent all weather surfaces.

Social Tennis. There will be a Saturday tennis session on March 5<sup>th</sup> from 1.30pm. The Wednesday sessions continue as usual.

Information about the above is available from <a href="mailto:josephinejohnson@gmail.com">josephinejohnson@gmail.com</a> or telephone 01347878626.

#### End of an Era

Mum, Nancy Wright, would like to inform her friends at Sheriff Hutton that she has moved into Rockingham House Residential Home in Malton. She hopes you will all find time to call in and visit her when you are in the area.

Also, thank you all for your support you gave whilst she was at home.

Yes, it is an end of an era for the Wright family, who were all born and bred in the village for many years. Mum is the last to leave.

Sally Downing (daughter)

#### **Surgery's Happy Patients**

Stillington Surgery has been named as one of the best in the country as far as patients are concerned. Out of 7,700 surgeries nationwide Stillington was voted 6<sup>th</sup>. This is based on the GP Patient Survey which is a rolling poll based on the views of the surgery patients. It covers everything from the trust patients have in their doctors, to the attitude of reception staff and most importantly, how easy it is to get an appointment. Stillington received glowing feedback. These results cover the period January to September 2015. Dr Peter Jones said 'We're delighted with this result which recognises both the whole team effort and the value of traditional general practice'

#### The Highwayman

The Highwayman was acquired by ourselves in October 2015 and has since been closed whilst undergoing refurbishment. The refurbishment has been particularly extensive in the private accommodation and catering kitchen, along with the ladies and gents toilets. The actual pub area has been more of a cosmetic nature, although considerable work has been carried out to cure the damp and various other hidden problems. The Highwayman has, shall we say, been unloved for some time and it has taken a while, but there is light at the end of the tunnel!!

We will be re-opening soon, offering a range of cask ales, fine wines, homemade food and a warm welcome.

Our new website: <a href="http://www.thehighwayman.uk.com/">http://www.thehighwayman.uk.com/</a> will be up and running shortly and keep you in the loop!

We hope to accommodate darts and pool teams and look forward to getting involved with village life, we look to host quiz nights, have the occasional jazz afternoon and are always open to suggestions.

The telephone number is the same as before 01347 878328, please give Lisa or lan a call should you require further information, we are looking to take bookings shortly.

Join us and let's put The Highwayman back on the map!!

#### **Gardening Club**

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2pm to 5pm at Games Hope, Foston by kind permission of Ros Harwood and Lucy Coutts, to raise funds for the Gardening Club. The grounds of 4 acres are an ongoing project and include formal herbaceous perennial beds, kitchen garden, an orchard, a woodland area and a 2 acre paddock for children to let off steam! There will be a number of stalls including tombola, raffle, cakes and plants. More details to follow, but put the date in your diary now.

The March meeting to be held on Wednesday evening of the 16<sup>th</sup> at the Village Hall is 'Easy Gardening' by Martin Fish. Martin has spoken to the club previously and we have visited his garden in Rainton. So we know he is a good speaker.

March is the time to pick up your potato sets/buckets and your sunflower seeds. Sets are £2 per adult and £1 per child. Seeds are 50p per adult and 25p per child for 2 seeds. Please note there is a separate class for the children's sunflower this year. As the potato competition and sunflower competition are part of the village show they are open to all.

February's meeting was well attended on a popular topic, 'weeds'. The speaker was interesting, informative and amusing.

#### **Sheriff Hutton Primary School**

Over the last few weeks the children have really enjoyed finding out about different places around the world. Our topic for the coming term is 'Reduce, re-use, recycle'; the children will be researching environmental issues and they will investigate ways in which we can save water and recycle household items.

We are again looking at fundraising opportunities to enhance our provision – our current priorities include purchasing some additional laptops, some up to date software to support the development of literacy skills and improvements to the outside area used by our youngest children. The PTFA are also hoping to raise some money to install a bicycle and scooter stand. Many of the children enjoy cycling or riding their scooter to school and we want to support this by ensuring safe storage on the school site.

We continue to welcome many people from the village who help in school; listening to reading or joining in with school activities. If you would like to help or just pop in for a visit we would love to see you!

You can find out more about the school and the activities the children are involved in on our school website <a href="https://www.sheriffhuttonschool.org">www.sheriffhuttonschool.org</a>.

#### **DISHY** and the Beanstalk

Thank you to everyone in DISHY for your magnificent performance last month. You all have such AMAZING talent and have given a great amount of pleasure to many people, in and out of the village. We encourage you to write and perform AGAIN and AGAIN with your excellent ability of giving so much pleasure to so many people.

Well done!! Best wishes for the future.

#### Village Ramble

Get y;our walking shoes ready for the March ramble which will be in the Dunnington area. Enjoy a morning walk followed by a friendly pub lunch on Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Who knows – there might even be some Easter bunnies still around. We meet at the Village Hall car park at 9.30am and return to the village between 2 and 3pm.

#### **Sheriff Hutton Playgroup**

Our village Playgroup currently runs Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9.00am-3.00pm with an optional after school club from 3.00-3.20pm. We currently have spaces available for children aged 2 years and older. Funding spaces are available for 2 and 3 year olds depending on your circumstances. Please contact 07717 799646 or <a href="mailto:shuttonpreschool1@yahoo.com">shuttonpreschool1@yahoo.com</a> for more information or to book your free trial session.

#### **Sheriff Hutton History Group**

Our meeting in January led by John Hendry and Mrs Batty was a great start to our programme of meetings for 2016, we hope that you will be able to join us at future events - please enter in your diary:

March - no meeting Easter week

Tuesday April 26<sup>th</sup> - 7pm AGM followed at 7.45pm by the Battle of Lilling an illustrated presentation by Roy Thompson.

Tuesday May 31<sup>st</sup> 7.30pm - Archive Open evening, an invitation to look at what we have stored and if wanted donations of artefacts or scanning photographs and documents to be preserved into the archives.

Tuesday June 28th 7.30pm - History of Rowntrees an illustrated presentation by Richard Atkinson

Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm - Archive open evening, another opportunity to look at some of the archives stored within.

August no meeting.

Friday September 30<sup>th</sup> - The Pickering Murals presented by Dr Kate Giles

Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> - Archive Open Day

Tuesday November 29<sup>th</sup> - Richard III Fayres of the 1980's presented by Richard Haste

Members £2 Visitors £3 inc refreshments and raffle.

If you would like to know more about the work of the group please contact Meg 01347 878136 or membership to Beryl Haigh 01347 878363

#### **Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group**

We had a busy but lovely afternoon at our last meeting 27 visitors and 23 members sat down to mince pies and tea and Rod Coope playing his keyboard. Everyone said how lovely it was just to sit with friends and chat and could they have the same thing every month please.

Our next meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> March is our AGM at 2pm in the Village Hall. Please would people who attend this meeting bring a plate of food for the sharing tea. There will be a quiz after the AGM (easier than last time I promise). We will also be collecting the membership fees for the year this month and the next. The fees are still £15 and could it be by cheque please as it's easier for our treasurer.

Barbara Grinham

#### St. Helen & the Holy Cross Sheriff Hutton with St. Leonard Farlington

The Forest of Galtres Benefice of

St.Leonard, Farlington: St Mary, Marton: St. Helen & The Holy Cross, Sheriff Hutton: St. Nicholas, Stillington; All Hallows, Sutton-on-the-Forest

#### **SERVICES IN MARCH**

Sheriff Hutton	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion	6pm	Benefice Celtic Eucharist - Marton
	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Morning Worship		
	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Family Praise	6pm	Benefice Celtic Evening Worship-
			at Methodist Church		Marton
	25 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	Good Friday –		
			Reflections Methodist		
			Church		
	27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Easter Communion		
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	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am	Holy Communion		
	27 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am	Holy Communion		

#### **EVENTS & Additional Holy Week Services**

Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Parish Meeting 7.30 Miss Ward Room		
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	7pm Ecumenical Benefice Last Supper Passover meal in Stillington Methodist		
-	Church		
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10-12 Messy Church at Sutton		
	2pm Reflections – Sheriff Hutton Methodist Church		
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 for 8pm Benefice Easter Vigil in Stillington Parish Church		

#### **NOTICES**

Just a gentle reminder to everyone in the parish that the Annual Meeting is a chance to elect Churchwardens and to hear what has been happening in the church in your name during the past year. The meeting is open to people of all faiths (or no faith) in the parish.

Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club

## **Grand Prize Bingo**

Sheriff Hutton Village Hall ~ Friday March 18<sup>th</sup> - 7.30pm £100 special jackpot! and lots of prizes

Future dates - April 15<sup>th</sup>

#### The Methodist Church

Just looked at the calendar for March and realised what a lot of days when we should be thankful. There are two saints' days, David and Patrick, which reminds us of what an effect they had on the people of Wales and Ireland. Then there is Mother's Day when we can all be thankful for the effect of our mothers. And then at the end of the month there is Easter, starting with Palm Sunday, to Good Friday and then that great THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE DAY when we celebrate that JESUS conquered death and is ALIVE for evermore, even today!

So enjoy your month and do celebrate all the things we have to be thankful to God for.

#### **Services at the Methodist Church in March**

6"'	10.30am		Revd Peter Doble
13 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am		Revd Ann Haith
20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am		Revd Elizabeth Cushion – United Palm Sunday Service
25 <sup>th</sup>		2.00pm	GOOD FRIDAY UNITED CHURCH SERVICE - Revd Ann Vaughan
27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am		Easter Sunday Worship – Revd Ann Vaughan

#### **Additional Activities**

Monday	7.30pm	Guild – see later notes for programme arranged
Wednesday	9.30am	Church open for private prayer and quiet meditation
	10.00am	Drop in for Coffee and Chat in the Miss Ward Room
	11.15am	Lent Study Group and light lunch
Thursday	2.30pm	Film afternoon in the Miss Ward Room (17 <sup>th</sup> March)

#### **Wesley Guild**

The last Mondays in our 2015/16 programme in the Miss Ward Room.

7 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Tonight there will not be a guild at Sheriff Hutton but we will be going to
		Huntington Methodist Church to share in their Guild Rally when other church
		guilds will also be joining. Transport will be arranged if needed.
14 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	A World Mission evening when two ladies will talk of their visit to Moldova with the
		charity Operation Orphan, when they took winter clothes to children.
21 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm	Our final evening, when we have an AGM. At this meeting we elect the
	-	committee and distribute to charity the balance of any monies collected. In
		addition there will be a little extra ??

#### Film Afternoon – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March

It is hoped to show a recently released film, which was included in this year's BAFTA awards. The film will be shown in the Miss Ward Room at 2.30 p.m. The doors will be open from 2.15 p.m. when there will be a cup of tea and biscuit. No charge but an opportunity to donate to charity will be at the door.

#### **Lent Study Group**

The group meets in the Methodist Church at 11.15 a.m. on Wednesdays 2nd, 9th and 16th March. It is followed by a light fellowship lunch of soup and bread in the Miss Ward Room. This is a group open to anyone and you will be most welcome to come and share in thinking about the period leading up to Easter and the characters involved. The meeting is led by Revd Elizabeth Cushion.

#### **Bus Service**

The revised bus timetable commences on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. The full timetable will be published in the April Village News.

#### Message from the Jumblies

The January Jumble Sale was a little different this year as we had a bit of extra "help" in sorting out the Jumble on the morning, when we were paid a flying visit by the Radio York's Finders Keepers Team who were looking for their next clue in their bid to locate the hidden "Treasure". Following the fantastic publicity Jeremy Buxton gave us lots more jumble arrived and we had masses of buyers in the afternoon. I am pleased to say that my predicted £1200 was way off the mark with £1741 being raised for the Parish Church. After coffee and carrot cake they went on their way, but they sadly weren't as successful as us, with them missing their deadline for finding the treasure by a matter of seconds. Our sincere thanks to them and to everyone who donated jumble, cakes and prizes and gave cash donations.

The result for the February Jumble Sale for the Sheriff Hutton Preschool Playgroup will be published in the April News.

Our next sale will be on March 19<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in the Village Hall, raising money for Riding for the Disabled, Shipton by Beningbrough branch. We look forward to receiving anything you would like to donate and will be at the Village Hall between 9am and 12 noon to accept good condition clothes, bric-a-brac, books, toys etc. which will be most appreciated. A reminder that the book room and cake stall open at 1pm and we always have a good selection of good books, dvds and cds and delicious cakes.

Thank you for your continuing support

Penny Bean 878392

#### Village Auction - Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

The UCCC will be coordinating this year's auction, which will help raise funds for New Year Parties (including our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party in January 2017.)

Now that the days are getting longer and we start to think about de-cluttering, and tidying lofts, garages and shed, please do consider if you have any unwanted items you might be willing to donate to the auction. We are very grateful to receive most household and garden items, although we cannot sell clothes, shoes, large white goods, mattresses, microwaves, or upholstered furniture (unless it has fire safety labels in compliance with the 1998 regulations).

If you have helped in the past, please put this date in your diary – new helpers are also very welcome. We will meet in the Village Hall from 6-8pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April to start collecting and organising items, and then will continue to receive and arrange items on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9-11am, ready for the Auction to start at 1pm. We are very grateful for extra hands to help sort and carry. We are also looking for someone with a large trailer who might be willing to pick up some items which have been put into storage on our behalf – if anyone can help with this, or for any queries about the auction, please ring Caroline on 878242.

#### Friends of the Village Hall

As Easter is so early this year and the Hall was already booked, we apologise, but we will not be running an Easter Coffee morning this year.

Our first event will be:

### Bulmer Choir Friday June 17<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in The Village Hall

Further details in next month's news.

The next Friends meeting will be on Tuesday July 12th 2016 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. New Friends are always welcome.

Contact Margaret Fisher 878314

#### **Sheriff Hutton Annual Easter Art Exhibition**

Sheriff Hutton Art Group will be holding its 43<sup>rd</sup> annual exhibition in the Village Hall over the Easter weekend on Sunday and Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March, from 10.30am – 4.30pm each day.

We are a group of amateur and professional artists who meet together through the year and have been holding our annual exhibition in Sheriff Hutton since 1973. Please do come along to see our work, there is something for everyone. Entrance is £1 and there will be biscuits, tea and coffee.

If you paint and would like to join us, please ask .. we have a great programme of demonstrations and offer plenty of friendly advice.

## **Draught Excluder Campaign for Winter Homes Keeping Homes Toasty**

The Warm and Well in North Yorkshire charitable project, set up to bring warmth to cold homes and tackle rising rates of fuel poverty, has launched a new draught excluder campaign.

If you are part of a knitting, sewing or craft group, or you are a dab hand with a needle and thread, then we'd love your help in creating a draught excluder!

The campaign aims to encourage individuals and community groups to knit, sew and create draught excluders of any design. They will then be donated to people who are living in cold, draughty and inefficient homes to help ward off draughts and cold spots.

The draught excluders will be given to those at most risk this winter including over 75's or people with long term health conditions, families with young children, or those on low incomes.

If you are able to help please contact Hazel Kirby on 01609 780458 or <a href="mailto:hazel.kirby@ndvsa.co.uk">hazel.kirby@ndvsa.co.uk</a> has an easy tutorial for 'how to make an easy draught excluder.'

#### **Chocolate or Coronations Street?**

Will it be chocolate again or Coronation Street? As a church we are now in the season of Lent, and we ask ourselves the question again, what are we giving up? It is the time when we think about an action of self-discipline as we give up something we enjoy for six weeks. Now, more than a week in, I wonder how we are doing; have we stuck to our resolve or have we given in to temptation?

But Lent is much more than an exercise in will power. It is traditionally a time of prayer, reflection and preparation in the lead up to Easter. During Lent we remember how Jesus fasted in the desert to prepare himself for his ministry, and how he faced temptations yet resisted them. In the wilderness, Jesus turned away from the idea of an easy life and popular leadership, and chose instead the way of the cross, because that was the way that God had called him. Over the weeks of Lent, we follow Jesus in this way of suffering to the cross.

So as well as a time of giving something up, Lent is also a time for taking something up. Perhaps spending more time in prayer or setting aside time for reflection in a busy day to think about what God is saying to you. Finding time to go and see someone who is in need. Joining in the Lent meetings. Taking on a new thing that you feel called to do. Whatever it is for us, this Lent may we all once again take up our cross and follow Jesus.

Revd Elizabeth Cushion

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Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion	Parish Church but check in church for details			
	10.30am	Morning Service	Methodist Church			
Mon	9.00am	Playgroup	School	2.00pm	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club
				7.30pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Tues	9.00am	Playgroup	School	7.00pm	Circuit Training	Village Hall
	9.15am	Pilates	Village Hall	8.00pm	Pilates	Village Hall
	10.30am	Pilates	Village Hall	12.30pm	Luncheon Club	Village Hall
Wed	9.30am	Personal Prayer	Methodist Church			
	9.00am	Playgroup	School			
	9.30 am	Tennis Coaching	Tennis Club			
	10.00am	Drop in for Coffee	Methodist Church			
	10.30am	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club			
Thurs	9.45am	Babes & Toddlers	Village Hall	6.30pm	Youth Group	Village Hall
Fri	9.00am	Playgroup	School			

#### **Additional Activities in March**

Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30pm	Field Naturalists Lower Derwent Valley & Skipwith Common in Village Hall
Thurs	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 – 11.30	Health Visitor Drop-in in Village Hall
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 12.00	Super-mobile Library in the Village Hall car park
		7.30pm	Grand Prize Bingo for Farlington Church in Village Hall
Mon	7 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Guild Rally at Huntington Methodist Church
Tues	8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	St Helen's Annual Parish Meeting in the Village Hall
Wed	9 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group AGM in Village Hall
		7 – 10pm	Facts before Fracks meeting in Village Hall
		7.30pm	Tennis Club AGM in Village Hall
Friday	11 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting in Village Hall
Mon	14 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Guild World Mission Evening in Miss Ward Room
Wed	16 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gardening Club Easy Gardening in Village Hall
Thurs	17 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Film in Miss Ward Room
Fri	18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 12.00	Super-mobile Library in Village Hall car park
		7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in Village Hall
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Jumblies Sale in aid for Riding for the Disabled in Village Hall
Mon	21 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm	Guild AGM in Miss Ward Room
Sun	27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 - 4.30	Sheriff Hutton Art Group Easter Exhibition in Village Hall
Mon	28 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 – 4.30	Sheriff Hutton Art Group Easter Exhibition in Village Hall
Thurs	31 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	Village Ramble meet in Village Hall car park

#### Dates to Note 2016

April	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Village Auction in Aid of New Year party in the Village Hall
	26 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	History Group AGM in the Village Hall and talk Battle of Lilling
May	31 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm	History Group archive open evening
June	17 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Bulmer Choir in concert in Village Hall for the Village Hall
July	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Jumblies Coffee Morning
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2.00pm	Open Garden at Games Hope, Foston for Gardening Club
	11 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Village Charity meeting in the Village Hall
Sept	24 <sup>th</sup>		Jumblies Coffee Morning
Nov.	7 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Village Charity meeting in the Village Hall

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