Sheriff Hutton

Village News



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The Parish Council met on 10 April 2015. Councillors present at the meeting were Douglas Wooles (Chairman), Penny Bean (Vice-Chairman), Brian Parkinson, Sally Downing, Martin Dodd, David Lea and Dave Smith. The Clerk was Nigel Knapton and District Councillor Eric Hope was present. No members of the public were present.

Planning Applications for consideration

None received.

Ryedale District Council - Decisions and Appeals

15/00001/FUL – Change of use, alteration and extension of a one bedroom self-contained residential annex at Wellington House, The Square, Sheriff Hutton for Mr S Vass. **Approved.**

15/00088/HOUSE – Erection of entrance porch to north elevation and single storey rear extension at Garth End, 14 Coble Lane, Sheriff Hutton for Mr R Singleton.

Approved.

Public Forum

No members of the public were present.

Solar Farm

Representations from residents around the proposed solar farm off Cornborough Road had been heard at the preceding Parish Assembly meeting. The Council would consider these if and when a formal planning application was received by Ryedale DC.

Burial Ground

It was agreed that a grant of £300 be made to the Parochial Church Council for the upkeep of the graveyard.

Village Entrance Signs

It was agreed that up to £100 be made available to the Gardening Club in order to plant the 4 village entrance signs. A prize would also be offered for the best sign.

Elections

It was noted that nominations for the Parish Council had closed and as only 7 nominations had been received (the same as the number of seats on the Council) it was uncontested therefore a Parish Council election would not take place, only the District and Parliamentary elections would be on 7 May.

Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is Friday 15th May 2015 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Nigel Knapton, the Parish Clerk, can be contacted regarding all Parish Council matters at <u>nigel.knapton@townandparish.co.uk</u> or on 0777 999 4712

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Annual Parish Meeting.

Tuesday 5th May. 6pm at The Lodge. West Lilling. Followed by the May Parish Council Meeting. A.Bailey. Clerk.

Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly Held in the Village Hall, Sheriff Hutton, on Friday 11th April at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors Douglas Wooles (Chairman), Penny Bean (Vice-Chairman), Brian Parkinson, David Lea, David Smith, Sally Downing, Martin Dodd, Clerk: Nigel Knapton, District Councillor Eric Hope.

12 members of the public were present.

Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

There were no apologies. There were no declarations of interests.

Minutes of the Meeting Held on 11th April 2014

Minutes had been previously circulated. These had also already been agreed.

Chairman's Report

Whilst routine issues, which occur regularly throughout the year, such as dog fouling, vehicle parking difficulties, grass cutting and some thirty planning applications have required repeated Council attention, it has been an exceptional year for a number of challenging developments.

The first arose from the unauthorised, unlawful building incursion on the Cornborough Road. An appeal by the owner against the rejection of the belated planning application was held in January before an appointed Inspector. The Vice-Chairman and I spoke regarding the Council's objections and were supported by strong well founded submissions by villagers. In late March, the Inspector ruled that the applicant should lose the appeal. The period for compliance with the ruling was set at six months. Watch this space!

Secondly, in March, twenty years of submissions to clarify the status of the Coach Road moved to resolution with a three and a half day enquiry being held by an Inspector from the Government's Planning Inspectorate. It is to the credit of the village that up to fifty supporters of our submissions attended throughout these proceedings. Their active involvement was acknowledged by the Inspector. This decision is expected within three months, probably in late June. This was followed by the issue of brochures by Third Energy outlining their plans for fracking in the Kirby Misperton area. Concerned residents attended a Council meeting to express their worries at this threat as the many impacts that fracking could have over a wide area. Councillors subsequently attended Ryedale Council briefings. When firmer outlines of Third Energy specific plans are available, this Council will determine what action is appropriate in response.

If that were not enough Lightsource Renewable Energy Ltd have in the past month given notice that they are currently considering an application for a solar panel farm at Mill Hill Farm, Cornborough Road. A well-attended community briefing and consultation meeting was held by them on 25th March. This was quickly followed by strongly worded verbal and detailed written objections. These have been noted. Appropriate action will be taken when more information in the form of a planning application is received.

Turning to more domestic matters such as complaints about inconsiderate and inappropriate and possibly illegal parking at identified places throughout the village. Inconvenience to essential deliveries and damage to grass verges are highlighted in these complaints. NYCC Highways and Ryedale District Council, the Police and Traffic Enforcement Officers have been consulted for possible remedial action to provide relief and remedies. Some minor improvements have emerged but in the end the advice given emphasises that it is up to individuals to help each other by more consideration and careful parking where practicable.

Vehicle speed matrix were deployed in two sites on these occasions. Despite our widely held perception of regular excessive speeding through the village, analysis from the matrix indicated that this is not so, this is a surprise and some relief. Nonetheless, the obvious traffic hazards will continue to be reviewed for relief from the anxieties caused. Neighbourhood Watch regularly raise this at their meetings with the authorities, the value of their support and involvement is appreciated. Neighbourhood Watch have introduced a watch scheme in cooperation with the Police, this entails

nominated members acting as a contact for vulnerable elderly individuals where they are bothered by unexpected callers of dubious character offering to do work at their properties and so a number of document packs have been given to residents who have been concerned by these nuisance callers. On behalf of the Council, our appreciation for their contribution and support in pursuing these matters.

Another recurring source of irritation is dog fouling in verges, pathways, in the conservation area and the cricket and football grounds. The spring weather and extended daylight has seemed to have recently increased this nuisance. The Ryedale District Council dog warden is aware of our general concern. Additional dog bins have provided recently to ameliorate this nuisance.

A complete change of subject. NYCC have consulted on reduced street lighting in certain locations between 12 and 5am. The Council has represented its concerns and objections to a number of their proposals, these have been acknowledged by them but no action has been taken to date.

Provision of affordable housing in the village is now under discussion with Ryedale District Council's Rural Housing Enabler, Colin Huby. The progress is being made with costings currently being prepared. He emphasised that property would only be let to local people and would be affordable in perpetuity as part of the planning agreement. Any proposed plans will require public consultation and Council agreement.

The August issue of the Village News included a pull out supplement incorporating details of 38 local activities and services in the village. Sincere thanks are due to Councillors David Lea and Dave Smith for all the time and care in compiling this most useful aide memoire.

Our County Councillor Clare Wood and District Councillor Eric Hope have frequently provided up to date information and guidance on District and Regional developments and policies.

This is probably Nigel Knapton's last evening with us. He has resigned due to his increasing commitments elsewhere. He has clerked our meetings efficiently and in a clear and succinct manner, presenting his advice and briefing in a straight forward positive way. Thank you for all you have contributed in the smooth performance of this Council.

Now it is time for me to thank your Vice-Chairman Penny Bean and all my fellow Councillors for their support and for the time and expertise they bring individually and collectively to Parish Council work. I hope like me, they have found satisfaction in their role making positive contributions to activities and environment here.

We must be alert to seemingly uncontrolled changes and structural developments, especially those likely to have detrimental impact on the wider settings of what this parish, its landscape and as yet its unspoiled natural beauty.

Thank you.

Any Matter Relating to the Parish Raised From the Floor

Various members of the public expressed their concerns at the proposed solar farm on Cornborough Road. These concerns included that they felt ambushed by Lightsource and had been subjected to a marketing ploy. It was thought that they had been negotiating to not have an environmental impact statement and that they were only in it for the money. Two criteria on Lightsource's website were that sites must be well hedged and flat. This site had neither. The sub-station was upgraded several years ago but had failed to be screened correctly and a resident had left because of the noise. It was felt that if it goes ahead everyone will be paying for it through subsidies, it only generates electricity for 1,300 houses yet takes over 29 acres. A more appropriate location would be alongside the East Coast Mainline as with other sites.

One resident had not been contacted by Lightsource. Ryedale DC did not have a specific policy on this kind of development. The Chairman read an article from The Daily Telegraph regarding the withdrawal of the subsidies next year.

The meeting closed at 7.35pm

Thank You

I would like to thank all friends and neighbours for your kindness and concern during my recent stay in hospital. You've all been a tremendous help and I am now much better. With grateful thanks

Anne Read

Sheriff Hutton History Group

At our May meeting titled Thixendale through Time, we welcomed members of the High Wolds Heritage group who gave a very interesting presentation about this tiny remote village tucked away in the Wolds. The talk covered the development of the village from pre-roman to the present day. Thixendale has a Light and Show presentation in the Church which is open on Sundays for refreshments plus a heritage area.

Diary dates:

Please note - meeting times are changed for the Summer to Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm, we hope that this change will encourage more people to attend and enjoy the varied programme that has been organised. All money raised from these talks goes towards the upkeep of the Archive store and to update equipment.

Wednesday May 27th 7.30pm Village Hall - Restoration of the Holgate Windmill. This presentation will illustrate how a group of volunteers came together to preserve this historic site and to turn it into a working mill, flour from the mill will be on sale. Please come along and enjoy this talk given by Helen & Richie. Entrance £1 Members, £2 Visitors. Tea/coffee/ biscuits available plus raffle.

Friday June 26th 7.30pm Village Hall - New light on the Middleham Jewel an illustrated presentation by Dr. Kate Giles. The jewel was found in 1985 on a bridle path near Middleham Castle by Ted Seaton, it was bought for £2.5 million and is housed in the Yorkshire Museum. Kate will be giving a fascinating insight into this most beautiful jewel and the mystery that surrounds it. This event will be a main fundraiser for 2015 so please come along and support us. Entrance Members £3 Visitors £5 includes refreshments plus raffle.

Saturday July 11th Archive Open Day 1- 4pm Village Hall - Education & Youth activities in Sheriff with displays, artefacts, photographs to identify and a quiz — "How well do you know your village?", plus the ongoing Building project and tables of interest by various people. To help us with our research we are looking for photographs, programmes, posters, personal memories and involvement with the Youth Clubs that have existed in the village, not sure how many years but we have been told that we could go back as far the 1940s for a Youth Club, so please search your attic and your memories and come along and talk to us, or if you have any information that we can copy before the 11th July to display please ring Margaret 878465 Meg 878136 and we can collect. Entrance £3 includes refreshments.

Wednesday July 22nd 7.30pm Village Hall - Ryedale Family History Group based in Hovingham, this presentation offers you the opportunity to find out how to begin the journey on tracing your family history, the group has the resources and access to vast areas of internet sites and have a group of very experienced researchers. Please join us and start to discover your own history.

Contact Margaret 01347 878465 for group information. Beryl Haigh 01347 878363 membership requests.

Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club

The new season is underway and new members are welcome; free membership for the first season; free use of equipment. Membership fee for this season is £30 and match fees apply.

Join us at the Club green on Monday afternoons; practice nights Tuesday and Thursday.

We look forward to seeing you!

The Coach Road

We had our very own legal docudrama here in the Village Hall from the 17th to 20th March. It was fascinating to see the law in action.

The Inspector at the Local Public Inquiry made a point at the end of each of the last two days. He thanked all the people who had given him so much evidence on which to base his deliberations, and the many folk who turned up daily to follow the proceedings and express their community spirit. We must await his decision, but there's no doubt, Sheriff Hutton rose to the occasion and had an experience we'll all remember for years to come.

Sheriff Hutton Village Auction - Saturday 2nd May

This edition of the Village News will be just in time to remind you about our annual village auction – now we just need the items to sell and plenty of bargain hunters to come and buy them!

We can sell most household and garden items (sports equipment, furniture, office items, tools, tableware, kitchenware etc) but I'm afraid we <u>cannot sell</u> large white goods, microwave ovens, mattresses, car seats, bike helmets or any upholstered furniture without current fire safety labels.

As you know we have had to rather curtail our village collections because in recent years we have come across scrap metal dealers driving around Sheriff Hutton and Lilling during the weekend of our auctions. Good to know that people see our posters and read the Village News, but <u>please do not leave items intended for us outside your house!</u> However we are very happy to arrange for one of our volunteer drivers to come and collect items directly from your house/garage so please call Caroline Hunt (878242) or Margaret Fisher (878314) to arrange this.

We will be at the Village Hall on Friday 1st May (**6pm – 9pm**) and Saturday 2nd May (**9am to 11am only please**) if you are able to bring your donations yourself. Viewing is from **12 to 1 ONLY**, and bidding starts at 1pm. Light lunches and refreshments are available all day, and we are always very grateful for any donations of cakes and buns. If you're able to help on the day for an hour or so on the Friday night or Saturday please phone Caroline or Margaret. It's a really great village event, so come along if you can, and invite anyone you know who likes car boots or is trying to furnish a house! It's amazing what bargains are available, and all the proceeds will be shared between 5 local charitable groups: the Youth Club, Friends of the Village Hall, United Christian Churches' Committee, Playgroup, and the School PTFA.

Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group

On Wednesday 8th April Mike Bevington from the National Trust gave us a talk/history lesson about Fountains Abbey. Mike is a guide for the abbey and gardens so he really knew what he was talking about. The trust owns the whole estate and is well worth a visit and has a beautiful walk around the lakes. We had members from the Easingwold branch of the YCA and a few people from Sheriff Hutton which was very good to see. Everyone said how much they had enjoyed this talk.

Our next meeting on the 13th May is titled "The Woman who didn't exist" This is the story of Margaret Burns who was born in 1889 into an ordinary working family from the North of England, her father was a coalminer and her mother was a housewife and child bearer. Margaret yearned to escape her mundane existence her life changed when ww1 started. She was forced to make some heart-breaking and shocking decisions. So if you would like to know more please come along to our meeting on the 13th May 2015, 7.30pm Sheriff Hutton Village Hall.

Visitors are always welcome, Barbara Grinham

Super-Mobile Library

The super-mobile library will visit the Village Hall Car Park between 10.00 and 12.00 noon on Fridays 1st, 15th and 29th May.

Sheriff Hutton Pre-School Playgroup News

The highlight of the spring term at Playgroup was the visit to the National Railway Museum in York. It was a gloomy day but the rain couldn't dampen our spirits as we set off on our transport-themed trip. We started with a journey on a park-and-ride bus into York – no ordinary bus this one, but a bendy bus, which fascinated the children! Inside the museum, the children had a wonderful time exploring the engines – old and new. We were also able to stand on the viewing platform to watch the passenger trains arriving and departing from York station. After a packed lunch, the children enjoyed visiting the model railway and playing in the special toddler's indoor play area. It was then back on the bendy bus for the journey home. Of course, special mention must go to our Team Leader, Juliette, for her meticulous organisation and to all the staff and volunteers who made sure that everyone was safe and able to enjoy the wonderful adventure. Back at Playgroup, the children created their own station, complete with ticket office, waiting area and railway carriages.

Playgroup sessions are led by a qualified teacher and are held each week during term time on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00-12:00 (morning); 12:00-3:00pm (afternoon) or 9:00am-3:00pm (all day) with an optional After Playgroup Club from 3:00-3:20pm. If you would like further details on session times or to discuss a place for your pre-school child, please contact Julie on 878574 or email: shuttonpreschool1@yahoo.com

Playgroup Committee – Calling all volunteers!

Playgroup is run by a committee of volunteers. Our volunteers include parents of children who attend Playgroup but also members of the wider community who have an interest in supporting this important service for our children and their families. We are always keen to hear from anyone who would like to join our committee. If you possess enthusiasm and drive to get things done, the ability to work well as part of a team and the desire to make a difference then we would love to hear from you! In return, we can offer you the company of friendly, like-minded people and the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping to sustain this vital community service. Please contact Julie on 878574 if you think you can help.

Website

For further information on all of our Playgroup news and events, please visit our website at: www.sheriff-hutton-playgroup.org

Babies and Toddlers

Our Babies and Toddlers group provides an opportunity for our babies to pre-school children and their families to meet up every Thursday morning (9:45-11:45am) during term time at the Village Hall. If you haven't visited us yet, please do pop in. We provide a free first visit and charge £2 for parents/carers with babies (until they are 12 months old) and £3.50 per family after that, whenever you are able to attend. The Health Visitor also visits Babies and Toddlers once a month – discussions are confidential and in separate room. For further information on Babies and Toddlers, please contact Margaret on 878314

Sheriff Hutton Pre-School Playgroup and Toddlers is a registered charity no. 1021113

Health Visitor Drop-in

The Health Visitor will be next at the Village Hall from 9.30am – 11.30am on **Thursday 7th May** 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.

Sheriff Hutton Village Hall – 200 Club

247 members took part in the April draw. £25 winners were: 94, 100, 127, 164 and 171.

Christian Aid Week: 10th - 16th May

Once again, Christian Aid Week is fast approaching, and we shall be delivering envelopes around the village for your donations.

We know times are hard, but our help is urgently needed to alleviate the suffering of millions, especially victims of war, famine, floods, disease and homelessness. Christian Aid is not only dedicated to emergency funding, but also to funding of non-emergency projects, e.g. the digging of wells, irrigation systems, building of schools and medical centres, infrastructure and the training and support of those involved.

As it is such a deserving cause, your donations will be very much appreciated. We do not return to collect them, but they may be taken to either of the village churches or to Sheriff Hutton Post Office.

Many thanks for your generosity, Freda

Sheriff Hutton Primary School

The summer term is always an exciting time for us in school and this year is no exception. Our Year 6 children are in their final few weeks with us and will be participating in the statutory assessments in May. However they also have many amazing opportunities such as a residential trip to Bewerley Park, transition days to their new secondary schools as well as a wonderful visit to go to Sweden!

The rest of the school are also looking forward to an exciting summer term, our theme is 'York' and we already have visits planned to the Minster, the Railway Museum and the Chocolate Story Museum.

We recently participated in a review by the Local Authority. This went very well with many positive comments about the quality of teaching and the children's behaviour. Thank you to everyone for their continued commitment and support of the school.

We are particularly pleased that the local authority will be replacing the windows this term. They are in a poor condition and hopefully the new ones will make the school look great! Unfortunately they are unable to pay for refurbishment of the soffits and cladding so we are now looking into ways to raise money to be able to complete the overall outside appearance.

****** 50 YEARS! *******

This term we are celebrating the 50th birthday of the current school building! We hope to hold an open afternoon where everyone is invited to come into school to join our celebration. The children are finding out about the history of education in Sheriff Hutton and we would welcome any information you may have! If you were a past pupil, please get in touch, we would love to share your experiences!

You can find out more about the school and the activities the children are involved with on our school website www.sheriffhuttonschool.org

Bad Apple Theatre Company presents: The Unlikely Dads

Premiere: A new two-hander comedy from Kate Bramley that follows the unusual tale of two friends who become fathers late in life, under extraordinary circumstances. Their usual weekly meetings at the club to discuss The Beatles and the Likely Lads are now re-located to a more baby-friendly location, as their old and new lives clash head on, with comic repercussions and a life-changing twist in the tale.

Sheriff Hutton Village Hall **Wednesday 6th May 2015** Performance start time: 7.30pm (doors open from 7pm)

Tickets: £9.50 available from www.badappletheatre.com or 01423 339168

THE METHODIST CHURCH

May blossom, flowers blooming, grass growing, birds building nests, all this new life to brighten our lives and bring joy to our hearts. That's just what happened after the crucifixion of Jesus. He rose from the dead and brought new life to everyone who believes in Him. Alleluia!

Sunday services in May

3rd 10.30 a.m. Revd Elizabeth Cushion (Communion)

10th 10.30 a.m. Mrs Hilary Wilson 17th 10.30 a.m. Mrs Freda Taylor

24th 10.30 a.m. Revd Elizabeth Cushion

31st 10.00 a.m. United Service at Parish Church. 6.30 p.m. Revd Leslie Newton

Additional Activities

Wednesday 8.30 a.m. Morning Prayers in Chapel

10 a.m. Drop in for Coffee and Chat in the Miss Ward room.

2.30 p.m. Sing along Together on 6th May.

From Elizabeth Cushion

One of my favourite passages in the Bible is at the end of John's Gospel, where the risen Jesus meets the disciples who are out fishing and shares breakfast with them on the shore (21:15-19). I find it very moving in the way it speaks of second chances and re-calling. After breakfast, Jesus asks Peter three times if he loves him, giving him the chance to undo the denials and state his love for his Lord.

At the end of the passage, Jesus re-instates Peter and says to him, 'Follow me'. It is the same invitation he gave to Peter at the beginning of the ministry when Peter first became a disciple. Back then, Peter was a fisherman. It was a humble job and it must have seemed amazing for him to be invited to follow the long-awaited Messiah.

On his journey as a disciple, Peter remained close to Jesus. Sometimes he got it right and other times he got it wrong. Things didn't always go the way Peter and the other disciples might have imagined. Jesus wasn't the kind of Saviour many people expected. He didn't overthrow the Romans but was killed by them, and Peter, full of fear, denied his Lord. Now, the risen Jesus invites Peter to follow him again. He re-calls him as a disciple to 'Feed my sheep'.

Sometimes our experiences echo Peter's. When we first respond to Jesus' call we are full of hope; it is exciting and the possibilities seem endless. But then things don't go as we hoped or planned. We face difficulties, we struggle, we begin to doubt. This isn't what we signed up for. Many times we let Jesus down. But in those times, we find the risen Jesus coming to us with the comfort of his presence. Whatever our situation, he still has a purpose for us. And to us too, today, Jesus renews the invitation: 'Follow me'.

Friends of the Village Hall

The Easter Coffee morning made £141 - a very good total considering the weather was not on our side! Luckily the Easter Bunny made it and we hope everyone who came enjoyed themselves. A big thank you to everyone who helped on the day and in any way including donating prizes and to everyone who braved the elements to come!

Our next activity is The Village Auction on May 2nd which we are sharing with other Village Groups – see information elsewhere in the News.

Anyone interested in The Friends please contact Margaret on 878314.

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 MAY

Sheriff Hutton	3rd	9.30am	Holy Communion	6pm	Celtic Eucharist at Marton
	10th	9.30am	Morning Worship		
	17th	11am	Benefice Christian Aid – Sutton	6pm	Celtic Meditative Worship - Marton
			Village Hall		
	24th	9.30am	Morning Worship		
	31st	10am	Ecumenical Service for Trinity Sunday in Parish Church		
Farlington	10th	3pm	Rogation service at Mill Hill Farm		
	17th	11am	Benefice Christian Aid – Sutton Village Hall		
	24th	11.15am	Shortened Matins		
Marton	3rd			6pm	Celtic Eucharist
	17th	11am	Benefice Christian Aid – Sutton Village Hall	6pm	Celtic Meditative Worship
Stillington	3rd	10.30am	Methodist Anniversary in Method- ist Church		
	10th	9.30am	Holy Communion		
	17th	11am	Benefice Christian Aid – Sutton Village Hall	2.30pm	Benefice Concert
	24th	9.30am	Holy Communion		
	31st	9.30am	Ecumenical Service for Trinity Sunday in Parish Church		
Sutton-on-the- Forest	3rd	8am 10.45am	Holy Communion Morning Worship		
	10th	10.45am	Holy Communion		
	17th	8am 11am	Holy Communion Benefice Christian Aid Village Hall		
	24th	10.45	Holy Communion		
	31st	10.30am	Ecumenical Service for Trinity Sunday in Huby Chapel		

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May 14 th	Visitation – 7.30 St Michael's Coxwold – Swearing in of Churchwardens, please
	come and support them
May 17 th	Ecumenical Benefice Christian Aid Service and Lunch
	in Grey Village Hall Sutton at 11am
May 18 th	Deanery Synod – 7pm Easingwold Parish Church

Sheriff Hutton Tennis Club

Home Fixtures for May

- Hovingham League Mixed Monday 18th, Thursday 14th, 28th. All start at 6.30pm
- York League Ladies Saturdays May 9th and 16th. All from 9.30am
- The Men's match fixture list is not available. Matches are on Sunday mornings from 9.30pm.

Social Tennis Monday afternoons from 2.00pm, Wednesday mornings from 10.30am

Coaching is available on Wednesday mornings from 9.30am to 10.30am cost £5.00 per session, pay on the day.

Junior Tennis. Free Coaching sessions for junior members aged 7 to 11 will be available on Wednesday afternoons from 4.00pm to 5.00pm starting May 6th. Damian will be running the sessions and many of the juniors will already know him from his popular breakfast tennis sessions at the school. This is an excellent opportunity for junior players to come along and learn the tennis skills that will enable them to enjoy and play a sport within the village. Rackets and balls are available.

The subscription for junior members is £20 for the year and the coaching is for members only, children may attend one free session to see if they enjoy it before joining. Register at the first session or contact Josephine Johnson for details.

The club would like to thank the Sheriff Hutton Charities for their support in this venture.

Junior Club Night This will again be on a Friday evening from 6.30 to 8.30pm for juniors aged 9 to 16 years. These sessions are supervised by a Committee Member from the club

The Intermediate sub for 2015 is £25.00

Wimbledon Tickets. Congratulations to Ros Harwood, Jess Pitman and Lyn Minto who were successful in the LTA draw for the club's allocation of tickets.

Subscriptions are overdue; please pay to Andrea Pitman, 1 Castle View Sheriff Hutton as soon as possible.

Details of the Club are available from josephinejohnson6@gmail.com or 01347 878 626.

Gardening Club

Our speakers for the April meeting gave us different angles of tree conservation. One mapping and recording ancient woodland trees and the other planting of small areas of trees in and around York. Awareness of our green areas becomes more apparent as we become more and more urbanised.

Want Something Doing? Just the Person You Need May be Advertising in Village News

42 businesses advertise in Village News providing a wide range of products and services. If you use them you are supporting Village News.

Sheriff Hutton Field Naturalists May 2015

The sun came out and the hail was avoided for the trip to Pocklington Canal. Despite being early in the year there was still plenty to see with Tufted Ducks, Mute Swans and Coots as well as the pretty blue flowers of Water forget-me-not.

Our next event will be in the evening of Friday May 8th starting at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome for an enjoyable social event with a buffet meal (drinks included); our resident RSPB expert Andy will be taking us for a walk round the village listening to the evening chorus, then back to Stone Lodge where we will be able to investigate the contents of an overnight moth trap from the Conservation Area. This is a joint fundraiser for the Field Naturalists and the Conservation Area. Tickets are £10 per head for this evening. The evening will start and finish at Stone Lodge, next to the Castle Inn and we'd love to welcome any new members of people interested in wildlife. For tickets please phone Helen or Dave on 878487.

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.

Neighbourhood Watch

Whilst the last month has been locally quiet with respect to 'traditional' crime (burglary/poaching etc.) there have been a number of reports made of telephone scams, all similar to the one reported last month, whereby an elderly lady was contacted by the 'Justice Department' and told there was a large sum of money owed to her, to be paid by hand delivered cheque. All newly reported calls were recognised as nonsense and the call ended. This issue is being monitored by the 'National Fraud Intelligence Bureau' (no, I'd never heard of it either) and NYCC Trading standards. If you do get a call, be aware that names and telephone numbers given are false – just hang up.

Several people have reported nuisance mail, e-mail and telephone calls recently – with the recent changes to pension laws I can only assume this will increase, so be on your guard.

Whilst on the subject of 'nuisance', if you were not already aware there is an election looming, bringing with it a plethora of electioneering tactics we're all used to, including door-knocking. Sadly the No Cold Calling Zone (NCCZ) restrictions don't cover political activity – however feel free to vent your feelings at any intrusion, but please don't call the police, they won't be best pleased.

It is worth mentioning that while there have been no recent local dog thefts there have been reports from Hambleton and Whitby areas of thefts, along with a foiled attempt at Hovingham, so please remain vigilant with your pets/working dogs.

With lighter evenings there is a notable increase in walkers, cyclists and horse-riders out and about, so can I ask all road users to take a little extra care.

I could do with a little help from residents of Sheriff Hutton with regard to the 'Nominated Neighbour' scheme – if anyone from 'The Croft' or 'Castle Side' areas of the village is willing to act as a contact for people calling on our more vulnerable residents, please contact me. This is not a demanding, time consuming or irksome duty, but it is critical for the continuation of the scheme after my departure from NHW, hopefully in the near future.

Anyone interested in joining the group should contact me at the shop or pop along to the next meeting. If you have anything to report regarding crimes either in process or evident or have information regarding cold-callers, ring 101.

Alan Pitman 15 April 2015

Message from the Jumblies

Our March Jumble Sale in aid of York SANDS raised £1552. Thank you to everyone who supported it which was very much appreciated by the members of the SANDS committee who had also worked so hard themselves to collect the jumble and bake cakes etc.

Our April Coffee Morning in memory of May Barner was very well supported and it was lovely to see so many familiar faces as well as some new ones. It was a most enjoyable morning. Members of May's family came along and they were so impressed with the community spirit that they found and the welcome they received. £600 was raised which included some cash donations. The money will go to Alzheimer's Research, a fitting tribute to a lady who made such a difference to the lives of many children at our village school.

It was a lovely warm and sunny day for our April Jumble Sale, enabling us to have stalls outside. £1501 was raised for Swinton & Excelsior Brass Band, again thank you to everyone who supported. Many of you will be pleased to learn that as a reciprocal gesture the Band will be giving a concert for us, hopefully later in the year.

As soon as the date is known it will be published in the News, something to look forward to.

Our running total now stands at £7467.

Our May Jumble Sale will be on Saturday 16th May 2pm to 4pm, (book room opens at 1pm) raising money for the Sheriff Hutton Conservation Area. This is a very valued village asset overseen by a group of volunteer trustees and open for everyone to use. Unfortunately this year due to a cut in grants from English Heritage they will not be receiving the financial support they have enjoyed over recent years. This means they need to look to other ways of finding the money needed to settle expenses, including the public liability insurance needed. We hope you will be able to support by donating clothes, books, bric-a-brac, raffle and tombola prizes and perhaps baking cakes. We will be at the Village Hall between 9am and 12.00 to receive your donations which will be most welcome.

Thank you, Penny Bean 878392

Sheriff Hutton Play Area

We are urgently seeking help from anyone with half an hour to spare each week.

For Health and Safety Reasons we need to do a visual check of the equipment each week and to this end we are looking to recruit someone to carry out a "Layman's" visual check, complete the record book and report any problem areas to the Chairman.

Are you able to help us?

If you feel this is something you could fit into your weekly routine I would love to hear from you

Please contact me on 01347 878392 Penny Bean

Village Ramble

Marvellous May – the perfect time for a morning ramble on **May 28th** which will take place somewhere in the lovely countryside which surrounds us. We meet at the Village Hall car park at 9.30am, travel by car to the start of the walk (about 5 miles long) and then enjoy a friendly pub lunch. We get back to the village between 2 and 3pm. Lifts can be provided.

Rogation Sunday at Farlington May 10th at 3pm

The annual Rogation Service at Farlington – to bless the crops, farm animals and the work of farmers > – will be on Sunday, May 10th at 3pm and this year will be at Mill Hill Farm on the road between Farlington and Sheriff Hutton (it will be signposted – YO60 6QL for GPS). The service will take place in the farmvard but there is a large barn if the weather is wet. After the service there will be an afternoon tea (£5 adults, children free) for all to enjoy.

Come along for this service for a farming community, meet the animals and enjoy the tea!

Sheriff Hutton Cricket Club

By the time you read this the 2015 season will be underway with the 1st and 2nd XIs in action on 25th April against Copmanthorpe and Duncombe Park respectively.

The forthcoming fixtures for May are as follows:

Date	1 st XI	2 nd XI
Saturday 2 May	Hovingham II (A)	New Earswick II (H)
Saturday 9 May	Castleford II (H)	Stillington II (A)
Saturday 16 May	Woodhouse Grange III (A)	Dringhouses II (H)
Saturday 23 May	Sessay II (A)	Cawood II (H)
Saturday 30 May	Pocklington II (H)	Copmanthorpe II (A)

Outdoor Net practice started on Tuesday 21st April is on Tuesday evenings at the cricket ground from 6 pm and on every Tuesday evening throughout the season weather permitting.

If you are interested in playing 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).

DISHY & Youth Club Musical Evening and BBQ

Saturday 27th June from 5pm

You are invited to a summer evening's entertainment, including local musicians and singers, young people from the pantomime, karaoke, disco, paying bar & BBQ. The evening will be raising funds for Youth Club and DISHY's 2016 pantomime: we will welcome all offers of salads, puddings, and raffle prizes!

More information and ticket details in the June Village News, or contact Caroline Hunt (878242) or Nic Frost (878309)

Horses in History

One of the events of the year in Sheriff Hutton up until about 150 years ago was the Horse Fair. This was held every Easter Tuesday in The Square. Up to 300 – 400 people would attend this popular event lining the streets several deep. After the horses had been judged there was a grand parade around the village.

In one of the earliest annals of horse-racing, Sheriff Hutton was greatly celebrated for an annual competition mentioned by the historian as "A solemn Horse Running." This took place somewhere on the boundary between Sheriff Hutton and Sutton on Forest parishes. The prize for the winning horse was a little golden bell which was tied to his forehead, and he was then led about in triumph. I wonder what happened to the bell.

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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			
Wed	8.30am	Morning Prayers	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 May

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1 st	10.00 – 12.00 Super-mobile Library in the Village Hall car park				
2 nd	1pm	1pm Village Auction in the Village Hall			
5 th	12.30 Over 60's Luncheon Club				
	6pm	Lillings Ambo Annual Parish Meeting, followed by the Parish Council			
		meeting at The Lodge, West Lilling			
6 th	2.30pm	Sing-Along-Together in the Miss Ward Room			
	7 for 7.30pm	BadApple Theatre present <i>The Unlikely Dads</i> in the Village Hall			
7 th	9.30 – 11.30	Health Visitor in the Village Hall			
8 th	7.30pm	Listen to the Evening Chorus and Social Buffet at Stone Lodge			
	7.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group, The Woman Who Didn't Exist			
15 th	10.00 - 12.00	Super-mobile Library in the Village Hall car park			
	7.30pm	Parish Council in the Village Hall			
16 th	2pm	Jumblies Sale in aid of Sheriff Hutton Conservation Area			
	-	(Books on sale from 1pm)			
27 th	6.00pm	Gardening Club outing to Rainton. Meet at the Village Hall			
	7.30pm	History Group – Restoration of Holgate Windmill			
	9.30am	Village Ramble meet in the Village Hall Car park			
29 th	10.00 – 12.00	Super-mobile Library in the Village Hall car park			
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Dates to Note

June	2 nd	12.30	Over 60's Luncheon Club	
	9 th		Gardening Club outing to Newark	
	23 rd /24 th		Gardening Club outing to Northamptonshire	
	26 th	7.30pm	History Group New Light on the Middleham Jewel in the Village	
			Hall	
	27 th	From 5pm	DISHY and Youth Club Musical Evening and Barbecue	
July	4 th		Jumblies Coffee Morning at Midway, Main Street	
	11 th	1 – 4pm	Archive Open Day at the Village Hall	
	22 nd	7.30pm	History Group presentation by Ryedale Family History Group	
			How to Trace Your family	

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