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All the news and views from our three villages

IN MY OPINION

Would you like to contribute something that you feel strongly about and want to tell our readers? If so, please email it or let your village representative have your copy (around 350 words) in good time for next month.

All advertising copy and alterations to advertisements must be submitted by the 16th of the month.

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Dear Readers

June is finally here! I hope you are ready to adorn your bunting and turn your hand to making the Platinum Pudding? Over the last few months The STAR has been peppered with upcoming Jubilee events, and now, all that is left to do is support them.

A big thank you must go out to all the people that have been involved with the planning and organising of the village events: not a quick task.

The Scouts have been helping to litter pick and looks like they have had a rewarding trip to Wales.

It's great to see that local public areas are being improved and maintained and working alongside the wildlife, such as the new Jubilee Walkway in Ranskill and the Whinze in Scrooby. Does anyone have a spare bird or bat box they could make or donate?

Enjoy the celebrations.

Luci



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One flight a week to Dalaman & Faro will commence in July. Flights to other destinations Lanzarote (only to 2nd July, restarts on 6th October), Larnaca, Malaga, Palma, Poznan, Tenerife, Bucharest, Cluj, Gdansk, Katowice, Krakow, Vilnius, Warsaw, & Wroclaw are all operating although there were several frequency reductions during MAY. It has been suggested that the cause of this is due to not being able recruit cabin crew.

Apparently airlines and airports in the UK & Europe are all experiencing staffing problems for crew, cleaners, security, catering etc. This is after the two years of lockdown and now the unprecedented level of pent up demand to get away on holiday or visit relatives.

TUI's inaugural flight to Cancun, Mexico took off from Doncaster Sheffield Airport (DSA) on Monday 2nd May. The new route represents a major commitment to Doncaster Sheffield Airport by TUI, the UK's largest holiday operator. It's TUI's second long-haul destination flying from DSA in addition to the weekly Melbourne Orlando flight serving Florida, on the state-of-the-art 787 Dreamliner aircraft.

Finally, there is nothing further to report about new routes or airlines.

Under the Flight Path

Ranskill and Torworth Jubilee Festival!



We are looking forward to all the exciting events we have planned and hope you join us to celebrate.

Don't forget to bring your showstopper creation for our Platinum Pudding Competition on Friday 3rd June. There will be prizes for both the children's and adult's categories.

We also have some incredible raffle prizes up for grabs including an Apres Ice VIP party worth £250, Yorkshire Wildlife Park passes, a meal for 2 at The Blue Bell, a Body Shop hamper worth £150, a £50 voucher for Ye Olde Bell, Afternoon tea for 2 at Torworth Grange, a photoshoot with Charmagne Haxby Photography, a £25 voucher for Flowers by Kay, a £20 voucher for The Chocolate Kitchen and much more!

For further information contact ranskillandtorworthfestival@gmail.com ring 01777816108 or check out our FaceBook page 'Ranskill and Torworth Village Festivals'.



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This is a paid position, 4 hours per week and if you would like to know more about the job or are interested in applying please contact the Clerk, Bryn Kinsey, for further details by phone 07305 129849 or email parishcouncil@ranskill.org.uk

Church Notices for June

- Sunday 5th: Scooby - 9.30am CW HC
- Sunday 12th: Blyth - 9.30am CW HC
- Sunday 19th: Ranskill - 9.30am CW HC
- Sunday 26th: Scooby - 9.30am CW HC

Key:

CW - Common Worship

HC - Holy Communion

BCP - Book of Common Prayer

Our churches are now open, and all are welcome to our services, please wear a mask if you feel safer.

We are now able to open church for other activities, although for the time being, this may depend on numbers so that everyone is as safe as possible. The



churchwardens will be happy to help with any enquiries.

If you would like to arrange a baptism, wedding, or funeral at one of our churches please contact one of the churchwardens below.

Useful Contacts

Churchwardens - Ranskill

David Hill 01777 818072

David Stacey 01777 818303

Church Warden - Scooby

Gordon Ashworth 01777 818322

TORWORTH'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

On Sunday, June 5th, 2022 at 12pm sharp, all children are cordially invited to attend the free Children's Street Party as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations! Sandwiches, fruit, party food snacks, crisps, cakes, and juice will be provided under a marquee on Torworth's playground.

If there are any dietary restrictions, please contact torworthfestival@gmail.com to let us know so that we can provide a safe alternative.



Ranskill and Torworth W.I meeting being held on Tuesday 28th June. Speaker for the evening will be June Barton.

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Whitton Close	10.40 - 10.55	Station Avenue No 57	14.00 - 14.20
Arundel Drive / Oaks Close	11.00 - 11.40	Torworth Separatist Inn	14.25 - 14.40
Arundel Drive No 38	11.45 - 12.10	Torworth Underwood Ave	14.45 - 15.00

Scrooby - Tuesday 21st June

Lyndhurst	15.20 - 15.35	Station Road / Low Road	15.40 - 16.00
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TORWORTH'S LIGHTING OF THE BEACON!

**Thursday, June 2nd, 2022
on the play park DN22 8PF**

Everyone is invited to attend Torworth's Lighting of the Beacon in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee! Feel free to bring along a picnic, chairs, and drinks, and enjoy chatting with neighbours and friends during this event.



- 20:00 Open: Free tea/coffee/hot chocolate and pastries available
- 21:00 Samantha Tindle, local Torworth resident, will sing for us
- 21:35 Bagpipe music (recorded) 'Diu Regnare' composed as a tribute to Her Majesty QEII on her Platinum Jubilee
- 21:40 Bugle Call (recorded) 'Majesty' to fanfare the lighting of the beacon and was specially composed for the event
- 21:45 Lighting of the beacon
- 21:50 Fire Dancing to music by Guiding Sparks Circus
- 22:05 You are welcome to stay and enjoy the evening, but we will be closing the park at 23:00.

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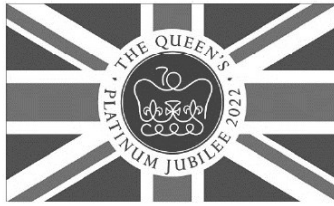
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Sunday, June 5th, 2022, on the play park DN22 8PF

Everyone welcome! Feel free to bring along a picnic, chairs, and drinks to enjoy a day packed with exciting events, free activities, unique stalls, food vendors and music!

11:00am	Open
11:00-1:00	Dog show registration
11:00-4:00	Free bouncy castle
11:30-12:00	Sports with Gail for under 7's
12:00	Free Children's Street Party!
12:30-1:00	Display by the Retford Gymnastics Club
1:00-4:00	Free children's face painting
1:00-4:00	6 th Annual Fun Dog Show
1:00-2:00	Big Wayne's Blues Experience (band)
1:30-2:00	Sports with Gail for 7+ yrs.
2:00-3:00	Free Children's Jubilee Crafts
2:00-2:30	Line dancing demonstration
2:30-3:00	Bawtry Youth Theatre
3:00-4:00	Samantha Tindle (vocalist)
4:00-4:30	Adult tug-o-war
4:30-5:00	North Notts Makaton Choir
5:00-6:00	The Storm Trees (band)
6:15	Raffle draw (from both the Ranskill and Torworth festivals)
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Jubilee Walkway



The Parish Council has been working to improve the walkway which runs alongside the railway line between Mattersey Road and Station Road. The aim is to make it more pleasant for everyone in the village and improve it to mark Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee.

The ground has been cleared of scrub and dead and diseased trees. It will be mowed

periodically to reduce the number of perennial weeds like nettles. 15 trees have been planted to compliment the trees already there, many of which are large native trees with some cherry and mountain ash. The new trees have been chosen to be smaller and compact with flowers providing nectar for pollinators and later in the season fruits for wildlife. All of that in addition to looking good too.

There are winter flowering cherry which from November into April flower profusely. Also, the famed Japanese great white cherry, the Himalayan bronze barked cherry planted 3 together to show off their burnished bronze trunks, which become more apparent as the mature. Finally, there are 5 plum-leaved hawthorn which have white flowers, red berries and wonderful autumn colour. One of these trees has been kindly gifted by the Women's Institute. The Parish Council aims to add a few additional trees in the autumn planting season where space permits.

We hope everyone enjoys the improvements and watching the new trees through the seasons and as they mature. Also, look out for the new fencing which is to be installed at the Mattersey Road end in the coming months.

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Christian Perspective

In these days, as we move on from the Covid pandemic and start to learn to live with this virus, I'm continuing to consider how we can press on in our faith. We may have become weary in the season that is passed, with the difficulties of meeting together for such a long time. Now here's my fourth encouragement to pressing on in faith. This one I call 'From Glory to Glory'.



This is taken from 2 Corinthians 3:13-16. Paul has been comparing the Old Covenant with the New, and reminding them how Moses used to have to cover his face when he came out of the presence, the glory, of the Lord, because his face shone so brightly the people couldn't stand it. But then Paul says, the New Covenant is far better and therefore comes with far greater glory. But he says, the Jews didn't get it; it's like they still had a veil between them and the understanding of the truth in Christ.

Then he writes in verse 16: *But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.* This is the key to seeing through to the truth—turning to Christ. I love the fact that it says 'whenever'. There is no time limit; this is something that is always open to us at any time. Then comes the word 'anyone'. You don't have to be a special kind of person to turn to the Lord—anyone is welcome when we come to God through Jesus Christ and his death and resurrection.

And once that veil is taken away, as we turn to Jesus in repentance and faith, this is what we discover in verse 18: *And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.* There's a transformation that takes place as we turn to him, seek him, read the Bible, spend time in prayer. We find we are changed by beholding him.

I remember many years ago at a Christian conference hearing a series of talks by Mike Bickle on this passage in 2 Corinthians 3. For me, it was often the worship songs that stirred up my spirit, but here it was the talks that moved me. When he started to speak from this passage, there was such excitement inside me, to hear how we could behold, contemplate the glory of the Lord and reflect it and become like him—how wonderful, how precious, how amazing that is and should still stir our spirits! 'From glory to glory!'



Look up into his face often; spend time contemplating his love and beauty, his wonderful goodness and faithfulness. There's nothing like it and we are changed by it. This is what we are pressing on towards. There is nothing any better, anywhere than 'seeing' Him and being like him and looking forward to spending eternity in his presence.

Brenda Critchley

Puzzle for June

Sudoku is a number placement puzzle. The aim of Sudoku is to complete the grid by entering numbers from 1 to 9 in each empty cell of the 9x9 grid which comprises 9 sub-grids each with 9 cells in a 3x3 pattern. Each row, column and sub-grid must contain only one instance of each number.

There are variants of Sudoku. In this puzzle there are 9 shaded cells, one in each sub-grid. These shaded cells must also contain the numbers 1 to 9. The solution is included elsewhere in the **STAR**.

For more free puzzles, go to: www.sudoku-puzzles.net

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If you want any more information or you'd like a chat about things, phone Jan 01777 709974 or 07969180067 or email janwilliamson133@gmail.com

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a) Norman Hartnell b) Yves St Laurent c) David Emmanuel
3. What is the name of the Queen's home in Scotland?
a) Glamis Castle b) Balmoral Castle c) Sandringham House
4. How many children did the Queen have when she was crowned?
a) One b) Two c) Three
5. The Queen got married in 1947 but in which month?
a) September b) October c) November
6. The Queen was born in a townhouse in which area of London?
a) Westminster b) Mayfair c) Marylebone
7. Who was President of the United States at the time of the Queen's coronation?
a) Dwight D Eisenhower b) Harry S Truman c) John F Kennedy
8. What is reported to be the Queen's favourite cocktail?
a) Gin & Tonic b) Gin & Dubonnet c) Gin & Lemonade
9. Who was the Queen's first Prime Minister?
a) Winston Churchill b) Harold Macmillan c) Anthony Eden
10. How many Prime Ministers have there been during the Queen's reign?
a) 12 b) 13 c) 14
11. Where did the Queen get married?
a) St Paul's Cathedral b) Westminster Cathedral c) Westminster Abbey
12. The Crown asserts ownership of which bird?
a) Pheasant b) Swan c) Goose



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Mable and Maple are our current longest stay residents. They are a pair of young sister rabbits who

have been in our care for over 6 months, after being found straying at a young age. They have spent the vast majority of their life with us and sadly have never experienced a loving family home. Like most other rabbits, they love their fresh vegetables and will make a great addition to any home.

Our next longest stay animal is Casper. He is a neutered male rabbit looking to be rehomed with a female bunny to keep him company. Casper has provided our staff with lots of laughs over the 5 months he has been with us. He loves always having things to do, whether this be enrichment toys, exploring his accommodation, or chomping on his favourite veggies.

Our longest stay feline resident is Milo. He is only one year old so still has his typical playful kitten qualities. He loves his food, toys and fusses from his favourite people. Once he is comfortable with you, he is so affectionate and adores his humans! Since he loves attention, he would be best suited to a home that has no other pets and children over the age of 12.

Rocco is our longest stay canine resident; he has been with us almost 4 months. He is such a remarkable boy and is sure to bring lots of smiles to the family who choose to adopt him. He loves off-lead exercise in our secure compound, and loves to play ball. Although his main passion is playing, he does like to engage in cuddles and lots of fusses when it is quiet. He would benefit from owners who have previous experience with Rottweilers, and since he enjoys having all the attention to himself, he would be best suited to a quieter household with no other pets or children.

Whether you are on the lookout for a dynamic duo or a sole companion, we have a wide variety of animals currently available for adoption – from dogs and cats, to rabbits, guinea pigs and quails.

When one of our animals become available for adoption, they are posted on our website (<https://www.rspcadoncasterrotherham.org.uk/animals-for-adoption>) and Facebook page. If you are interested in adopting an animal, please follow the process that is explained on our website.





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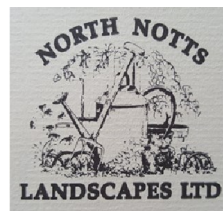
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Jen reunited with Horace after 69 days



A Scooby animal lover has been reunited with her cat 69 days after he went missing..

Jen Cameron had begun to give up hope of ever seeing beautiful snow Bengal, Horace after he went missing in early February until she got a tip-off that he had been spotted in woods in Ranskill.

She said: "After looking for him on Sunday night following the tip-off, I went early Easter Monday, and walked round the fields and lanes calling him.



"After giving up after 30 minutes and heading back to my car I heard a 'meow'. I shouted one last time, then I saw him. It was like a film scene, he ran to me crying and howling. We both cried. So after 69 days missing he's home."

Jen said that he slept from 8.30am until 6pm, then ate the biggest dinner.

She said: "He was pretty dirty and had a couple of ticks, but otherwise fine, he'd remembered us all including the dog and cats."



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The Whinze and Gibbet Hill

Update



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The working party that took place at The Whinze over the weekend of 12th and 13th of March was a huge success. The Parish Council along with volunteers from the local community worked hard in order to lop and prune low hanging branches, thin out self set trees, clear some of the overgrown fern and bracken to create clear pathways and prune the overgrown gorsebush.

Good use was made of the deadfall by creating a seating area with riverside views. A large tree trunk and cut branches were also used to infill the gaps in the hedges making it harder for people to access the areas for fly-tipping and other mis-use.

All in all, a very industrious couple of days, a very big thank you to all who came along and helped out over the weekend; we couldn't have done it without your help!



It's clear to see that the area is now getting lots of daily use, this will help to maintain the pathways and has encouraged the Parish Council to keep pushing to raise funds to make The Whinze and Gibbet Hill truly wonderful places for our community and the wildlife that inhabit the areas.

The Parish Council have secured a grant from *The National Lottery Community Fund* which will help us to fund some of the work, we continue to seek additional funding for the project.

You can also donate at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/scroobypcwhinzegibbethill>



We would like to install bird and bat boxes at The Whinze and Gibbet Hill. If you could make, or donate one, please contact Nadine Croft on 07528 232 824 (scroobypc.nadine.croft@gmail.com), Lindsey Buxton on 07545 156 559 (scroobypc.lindsey.buxton@gmail.com) or Frank White (scroobypc.frank.white@gmail.com) and we will arrange to collect and install.

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Scouts have a whale of a time in Wales



After a three-year wait the Ranskill Scouts were finally able to return to Wales for one of our favourite activities of the year, **writes Mark 'Skip' Mounde.**

Alas, the water is still as cold as we remember it but the memories brought back definitely refreshed all of our hearts and minds.

My thanks again goes to the helpers and especially to the parents for entrusting us with

their children. Same again next year?

Meanwhike, as part of giving back to the Ranskill community the Beaver, Cub and Scout groups undertook a litter pick in the vllage and collected a dozen bin bags of rubbish weighing about 10Kg.

Our thanks go to the Ranskill Parish Council and the village residents for their continued support of the Ranskill Scout Group

ABRIDGED DRAFT MINUTES OF SCROOBY PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 09 May 2022, a Physical meeting

Present: Chair: Stephen Lincoln, Ed Marshall, Nadine Croft, Stephen Cordery, Tony Smith (Clerk & Treasurer). There were no Parishioners present.

Apologies: Frank White, Lindsey Buxton, County Councillor Tracey Taylor, District Councillor Jack Bowker

1. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes for May 2021 were accepted - Proposed by Stephen Cordery, seconded by Ed Marshall.
2. **Election of Chairperson:** The Chair stood down and as no others were proposed it was Proposed by Ed Marshall, Seconded by Stephen Cordery, and all agreed that Stephen Lincoln would be elected as Chair again for the next year. Stephen was thanked for his hard work last year. Stephen then took the Chair for the rest of the meeting.
3. **Election of Vice Chairperson:** Following confirmation of Elaine Gargett's resignation Ed Marshall proposed that Stephen Cordery be elected as Vice Chair in support of Stephen Lincoln. All unanimously agreed.
4. **Chairperson's Allowance** All members agreed that the allowance rate remain as has been for a number of years at zero. It was also agreed that the current bank mandate signatories needed no change.
5. **Chairpersons' Report:** Before presenting his report, the Chair made this statement: It is inappropriate for members of the parish to abuse working Parish Councillors for a perceived lack of work on their behalf, or promotion of Parish activities. That this had resulted in the resignation of a valued member of the council is most unfortunate. Those feelings were echoed by all present.
The report was then presented by the outgoing Chair, Stephen Lincoln, having been previously circulated. That was accepted
and of note were: The Whinze / Gibbet Hill Common project: The Mayflower Memorial: The completion of the Village Hall
extension (now showing benefits): The new management of the pub proving to be a major asset to the village: Thanks to all
councillors for their hard work in the last year. Stephen was thanked for his report.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** Was presented by Tony Smith after previously being circulated and accepted by all.
The Annual Accounts were also presented, accepted and agreed to be signed off as required by the Annual Governance and Accountability procedures. It was noted that our total Expenditure and Income was still above the £25,000 external audit threshold and so we would again be externally audited this year. All reports will be available shortly on the Scrooby.net website. Tracy Crowe was thanked for being our Internal Auditor again this year.
7. **County and District Councillor's Reports:** In their absences the County and District Councillor Tracey Taylor and Jack Bowker could not present their reports, none were recorded.

8. Any Other Business

- 8.1. There were none

The meeting closed at 19:52pm

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ABRIDGED DRAFT MINUTES OF SCROOBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 09 May 2022 in the Scrooby Village Hall

1. **Present** : Chair: Stephen Lincoln, Ed Marshall, Nadine Croft, Stephen Cordery, Tony Smith (Clerk & Treasurer), District Councillor Jack Bowker (Part). Parishioners / Public present: S Place (Part)
2. **Apologies**: Frank White, Lindsey Buxton, County Cllr Tracey Taylor.
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting**: Accepted, no corrections - Proposed by, Ed Marshall, seconded by Stephen Cordery.
- 3.1. **Confirmation of last meeting's action points** Completed or ongoing listed, but: the footpath outside of the Pilgrims Oak is ongoing, as are the PRS Payments, the Off Roaders signs from the Police for the two Commons, the damaged Scrooby Road Signs, Supporting Local Parishioners, Procurement Thresholds and the use of the Notts CC Tree Scheme section.
4. **Agenda**
- 4.1. Confirmation of Agenda Items 4 items were added (see below) It was noted Stephen Lincoln had been re-elected as Parish Council Chair and Stephen Cordery as the Vice-Chair.
- 4.2. Public Discussion Nothing specific.
5. **Correspondence**: The usual number of notices, e-mails and letters had been received over the past month and were listed before the meeting. Those of note or action were 5.1 The resignation of Elaine Gargett as a Parish Council and the circumstances. A Casual Vacancy procedure has been started, the closing date for a mandatory election request by parishioners is 27th May.
6. **District and County Councillor's Report**
District Councillor Jack Bowker – Reported: The Council Tax Rebate should start from 13th May: BDC is meeting for a Round 2 of the Levelling Up bids; Discussions with the government re. Transport Connectivity in Bassetlaw particularly in rural areas; Tour of Britain, 8th Sept going through Retford, Works, ending in Mansfield; Consultation about Public Space Protection Orders in Retford and Worksop: The Bridge Skills Hub is opening in Retford.
County Councillor Tracey Taylor – Absent, no report.
7. **Finance Report**
- 7.1 The Treasurer presented his report, which included basic Village Hall costs, Grass Cutting, Film costs, etc., the report was approved. Full details of the report can always be viewed at www.scrooby.net.
- 7.2 Other activities was the increase in the PPL / PRS costs are still under investigation; Council Insurance – we have found another insurer at a saving; It was agreed to increase the Parish Council salaries by an average of 5% this year.
- 7.3 The Scrooby Annual Accounts were Internally audited (thanks to Tracy Crowe), signed off and ready to go to external audit.
8. **Police Report**
Local PCSO. Tel: 07525 989445, did not attend. Notts Police Stakeholder report has been received.
9. **Planning & Neighbourhood Plan**
Planning issues: New Applications: Palace Farm, Demolish a Willow Tree (Check it does need to be cut down first)
Existing Applications: None. Others: The Parish Council review of its procedure for handling Planning applications.
10. **Play Area**
Ground repairs around the swings are complete. A noted possible splinter issue on the climbing frames to be investigated.
11. **Village Hall**
Village Hall Operations: Continues to operate.
The Queen's Jubilee 2nd June 2022 – The Parish Council had to report it had to CANCEL its planned events. This was solely due to issues from a parishioner that resulted in the resignation of the organiser. It is reported the Pilgrim Fathers pub is now planning an event.
12. **Village Environment**
Grass Cutting, issues are being investigated with the new grass cutter. A Notts CC Lengthsman scheme is under investigation for benefit to the Parish. The bins at the junction of Chapel Lane / Great North Road may cause a sight obstruction and are being checked.
The development of The Whinze and Gibbet Hill Common – A good working weekend had been held, funding continues to be sourced and has been from the Lottery Fund, The Notts CC Tree Scheme manager has visited and offered much help. The Pilgrim Fathers Memorial – EM reported continuing publicising (in The STAR), scanning of the Rock and funding options worked upon.
The possible bridleway from Scrooby to Bawtry progresses with Landowners still being consulted.
The Scrooby Road Signs damage, repair options are still under way.
14. **Items for Information Only / Next Agenda**
Next Meeting / Agenda: None at the meeting. Comments: Reports of Quad Bikes to the east of the rail line.

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Next meeting to be held on Monday, 13th June 2022, 7.30 pm, in the Village Hall.

This Month's Issues for you to muse:

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The next meeting Monday, 13th June 2022 at 19:30pm.

ALL Parishioners are always more than welcome to join.

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Dogs are **NOT** allowed on the Croft.

How can we make The Whinze and Gibbet Hill Common hedgerows be more attractive, have you used them yet?

SNAP Neighbourhood Plan, Contact Tony Smith at 0797 483 6978 or scroobynap@btinternet.com, for information.

**ABRIDGED MINUTES of the RANSKILL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held at the BOWLS CLUB, STATION ROAD
WEDNESDAY 13th APRIL 2022 at 7:30pm**

PRESENT:

Chair: D. Simpson

Councillors: L. Shaw, P. Blatchford, J. Peel, C. Janson-Piers, L. Somerville

D.Cllr: G. Bowers

C.Cllr: T. Taylor

Clerk: B. Kinsey

Members of the public: There was 1 member of the public attending.

01/0422: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs A. Garner, P. Brown, M. Pryce

02/0422 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS: None

03/0422: OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Ms Paula Hadley attended representing The Star magazine.

04/0422: MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 9th March 2022.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9th of March were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

05/0422:

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Locally since the bollards have been installed on Station Road and the road markings repainted, we can request enforcement through the NCC Parking Manager. The Clerk will contact this department to pursue this objective. Complaints were made by Cllrs regarding the condition of roads throughout the village, particularly on Blyth Road. Reporting of hazards can be made online.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

The D.Cllr has received a lot of complaints regarding the bus service No 99 to Doncaster, which has recently been the subject of last minute cancellations of service. The D.Cllr will be writing to Stagecoach to demand an improvement. Complaints from residents have also been received regarding building activity at 19 Oaks Close following a planning application refusal. BDC planning enforcement will investigate.

06/0422: NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chair reported that the final draft pre-submission plan is now almost complete and will be submitted to BDC as soon as possible prior to the referendum.

07/0422: CRIME & POLICING

There were only 4 crimes reported in March for the Ranskill and Lound area.

08/0422: HIGHWAYS and TRAFFIC

The double yellow lines are now repainted, you can request regular camera car attendance to address any offenders.

09/0422: FINANCE

a. Bank balances as at the 31st of March were: -

Current - £100.00

Reserve - £64,507 - including ring fenced funds of £16,174.

e. Request from The Star to consider increasing our annual contribution. The PC heard from Paula Hadley, the Treasurer, who outlined their issues in that the printer housed in St Barnabus Church is reaching the end of its maintenance agreement and they have decided that it's more practical to use third party external printing companies. We discussed their budget in detail and the PC agreed to increase our contribution to £600 for the coming year.

10/0422: PLANNING

a. Consider new planning applications received by 13th March 2022.

22/00367/TPE - Bramble Lodge, Mattersey Road, Ranskill - Works to Trees Protected by Tree Preservation Order - Fell 1 Tree. The PC has no objections.

c. Enforcement

Regarding Folly Nook Lane, the developer has written to the PC and advised that delays to the footpath installation are due to extra drainage works required by BDC and legal complexities. The footpath will be completed within 8/12 weeks.

19 Oaks Close where a planning application was refused. Residents have complained to the PC and BDC planning that building works continue. BDC enforcement has opened an investigation.

11/0422: BDC COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

A final public consultation has been announced by BDC which closes on 27th May for submissions.

12/0422: AMENITIES & FACILITIES

a. Consider items relating to the village environment.

- Both benches have now been repaired by North Notts with new wooden slats

- Playground maintenance Issues. The scramble bike springy has been vandalised. The Clerk advised that Wicksteed asked for £981.75 plus VAT to supply an entirely new replacement. The price to replace the body assembly is about £350 plus fitting by North Notts. It was decided that it was more prudent to repair and the Clerk will ask North Notts to proceed on this basis. In addition, the spar on the Mayflower ship is loose and North Notts have been requested to supply and fit new brackets to support the sail and replace rusty bolts.

c. The Jubilee Pathway

Planting of 15 trees has been completed, the season is now closed. We await the result of the LCF grant application to progress with more planting from November

14/0422: UPDATE ON THE PC WEBSITE FROM THE SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM

The preferred bidder by the team is 2commune. The clerk requested that he be given a demonstration of uploading files to the new site before making a final recommendation. Cllr Peel to organise a meeting.

16/0422: UPDATE ON THE GRANT REQUEST FROM THE JUBILEE COMMITTEE

The PC agreed to provide a maximum grant of £1,900 in full and final support, proposed by Cllr Shaw and seconded by Cllr Somerville.

17/0422: CONSIDER A NEW CONSTITUTION AND RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE JBC

The Chair advised that these cannot be adopted until the registration of the burial ground land was agreed. The Chair has already been in contact the Chair of TPC.

18/0422: CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Clerk advised that the May meeting would include the Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Annual PC Meeting, where the Chair and Vice Chair of the PC would be elected.

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RIISING TO THE OCCASION

When I saw that Millennium Wheel,
My poor head started to reel.
Dad said "Come on, Ma,
I've brought you this far".
Ooh, it did look a long way up.

The Wheel seemed to move oh! so slow,
300 degrees still to go.
As we started to turn,
Oh, my stomach did churn.
I daren't look how far we were up.

I felt my old heart start to pound,
My poor head was still going round.
I clung on so tight
That my knuckles were white,
How could Dad still want to go up?

I could hear all the folks saying "Oh!
There's Big Ben and the river below"
I kept my eyes closed
As the gondola rose
And Dad said "Come on, Ma. What's up?"
"There's a real birds-eye view from the air,
There's the whole of the city out there."
So I opened my eyes
And what a surprise!
There were sparrows! Sat there! Coming up!

Then there we were, poised at the top
And I prayed "Please, Lord don't let it stop,
I'm too young to dispatch
And a train home to catch" —
Oh, why did I ever come up?

At last, we began to descend
And the whole mad whirl came to an end
I said "You know, Dad,
It wasn't so bad
But we've been such a long way up."

With my feet firmly back on the ground,
I watched other folks going round.
To the folks in the queue
I said "Oh, such a view.
You go Oh, such a long way up."

Joy T

Saint Barnabas Church
Ranskill

MILE OF PENNIES

£2,358 = 3 miles 83 yards

A positive leap and with thanks for a
whole jarful of coins. Counting them
kept me quiet for ages!

Love Joy

JUBILEE QUIZ ANSWERS

1. b) Kenya 2. b) Norman Hartnell
3. b) Balmoral Castle 4. b) Two
5. c) November 6. b) Mayfair
7. a) Dwight D Eisenhower
8. b) Gin & Dubonnet 9. a) Winston Churchill
10. c) 14 11. c) Westminster Abbey
12. b) Swan

QUOTE for the MONTH

"Life is a grindstone — it either
polishes you up or grinds you down.
The choice is yours"

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CRANACHAN *serves 4*

A dessert from Scotland, apparently enjoyed by Princess Anne

50 grams (2oz) medium oatmeal ¼ pint double cream
60 mls / 4 tblsp clear honey 3 tblsp Whisky
12oz fresh raspberries (reserving a few for decoration)



In a grill pan, toast oatmeal to golden brown, stirring occasionally – leave to cool for 15 mins

Whip cream to soft peaks then stir in honey, Whisky and oatmeal

Put a few raspberries into bottom of 4 tall glasses then layer up with the cream mix (ending with the cream mix) – cover and chill for at least an hour

Allow to come to room temperature for 30mins before serving, decorated with reserved raspberries

Joy T

RANSKILL BOWLS CLUB

DN22 8LE (Station Road)

What a great start to the outdoor season. We have had our first trophy match which was won by Dawn Wallis and Martin Ash, runners up were Carol West and Philip Cooper. Warmest congratulations to both teams.

On **SATURDAY 16th JULY** WE ARE HOLDING A **FUN DAY** ... EVERYONE is welcome to join us from 10am. There will be various stalls which will include one by the Craft Club that meets in our pavilion every Friday morning, a bottle tombola and refreshments all day with homemade cakes etc. Spaces are available for Table Top/Car Boot visitors at £10 a space. Please let Simon (tel.no. below) know if you are interested to avoid disappointment on the day. Of course, you can also try your hand on the bowling green, it is good fun as well as a challenge and we have bowls that you can use. More information in the July STAR.

We will continue to meet on Saturdays 2-4pm and Thursdays 6-8pm and you are warmly invited to join us. We have spare bowls you can use but please bring flat soled shoes for use on the green. Just contact Simon (tel.no. below) and let him know that you are interested.

Contact ... Simon Wallis on 07876 285593 or @ Ranskill Bowls Club

Contact ... Carol West on 07495 078254 for information on the Craft Club

Notice

It is with deep sadness, the family of Flo Griffiths wish to announce she has passed away 13th of May aged 98years.

Thank you

Sincerely Lorian Worsley (daughter)

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