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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

We reflect this month on what was a truly memorable weekend in June. This edition highlights the success of the Queens Platinum Jubilee village events and the credit that goes out to all involved. I don't know about you but I was getting rather used to having afternoon tea and didn't want the long weekend to end!

This months front cover photo credit goes out to Charmagne Haxby Photography, who very kindly covered the Torworth Lighting of the Beacon and the evenings entertainments.

We look forward to hearing about the next events that you are planning! Keep sending in your news.

And lastly...

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Please could you **send adverts for August by no later than 10th July.**

Enjoy the summer.

Luci



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Ranskill and Torworth Jubilee Festival

Wow, wow, wow! What a fantastic success these events were for both our villages. We are so pleased that lots of people turned up to join our lovely communities in celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It was wonderful to see so many enjoying themselves, from driving Go Karts and competing in the Rotary games on Friday, to painting London themed money boxes and dancing away to the fabulous bands on Sunday and everything in between. The best thing for us was seeing everyone be able to come together as a community.



An absolutely HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who was involved and helped in some way! These events couldn't take place without you.

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Bawtry Paintball 12 VIP Tickets	1053	Annette
Bawtry Paintball 12 VIP Tickets	0207	Claire Tait
Yorkshire Wildlife Park 2 adult and 2 child day passes	0683	Mrs Lodge
'Pure Photography' 30min photoshoot & 2 7x5" prints	0408	Richard Skelton
Body Shop Hamper worth £150	0390	Ann Charlton
Charmagne Haxby Photography' Photoshoot Voucher	1047	Sky Baines
£50 Ye Olde Bell Voucher	0214	Karen Plant
£50 Wilfreda Beehive Holiday Tour Voucher	0284	Tracy Lucas
£50 Amazon Voucher	1132	Turner
Meal for two at The Blue Bell	0225	Phil Drummond
Afternoon Tea for two at Torworth Grange	1036	Pete Brown
Free flight in a Motor Glider at Darlton Gliding Club	0649	Lisa Green
Free Will from Jones and Co	0278	Alison Hill
Haircare Hamper from 'A Girl who does pretty hair'	0733	Mrs Hutson
Haircare Hamper from 'A Girl who does pretty hair'	0222	Phil Drummond
£25 'Flowers by Kay' Voucher	0387	Ann Charlton
£20 'Chocolate Kitchen' Voucher	0381	Tony Branson
£20 Vue cinema voucher	0507	T Masters
Private Dance/Singing lesson with 'Performance Hub'	0453	Mr Croft
2 tickets to a 'Bawtry Phoenix Theatre' production	1030	Andrew Robertson
£10 'Bacon's' Voucher	0085	Richard Lockwood
£10 'Bacon's' Voucher	0326	Tony Branson
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With the summer weather prompting us to get outdoors and enjoy some fresh air and sunshine, the North Notts local group has a programme of outdoor activities and walks in mind.

The first one is a guided walk in the Daneshill Lakes Reserve. This is a lovely reserve, managed by Notts Wildlife Trust. It has a wide range of habitats and lots of wildlife to be seen including many wildflowers and an impressive list of birds. The reserve also has an interesting history, having been the site of a royal ordnance factory, built during the war to manufacture explosives and ammunition and, at one time, employing 2,000 people.

The walk will be led by Brian Horne who volunteers on the reserve and is very

knowledgeable about its history and wildlife. Numbers will necessarily be limited so, if you want to go, it's important to book your place. You can do this via the contact details below. The first walk will be on Sunday 3 July from 2 - 4.00pm.

Other dates are not yet fixed so please get in touch if you're interested as extra walks may be arranged. There is also the possibility of cups of tea and cake by the lake at the end of the walk. Perfect for a summer afternoon!

For further information about the local group and its programme, contact Jan 01777 709974 or 07969180067 or email janwilliamson133@gmail.com If you would like to receive regular email updates of Local Group activities, including the summer programme 2022, please email Jan with your request.

Thank you!

Ranskill and Torworth W.I. Committee Members, would like to say "Thank You" to all the people who attended the Afternoon Tea held on Saturday 11th June 2022 to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Pat Blatchford



We would like to say Thank You to Mary and her Committee for the superb job they all did on Friday 3rd June "JUBILEE DAY."

Firstly for organising the Children's tea party. (something they will remember in years to come). Organising all the behind the scenes things i.e The marque, tables, chairs, stall holders, entertainment for the afternoon and evening do. etc etc. Not forgetting the excellent prizes to be won in the raffle.

Also it was great to see so many people turn out for the event and enjoying themselves and bringing the Village together.

Well Done all of you. *Pat and Robert Blatchford*

Torworth Lighting of the Beacon



Thank you to the cadets from the Elizabethan Academy for helping set up tables and chairs for everyone before the event, Samantha Tindle who kindly sang for us and to Firestorm for their captivating fire performance!



Photo Credit: Charmagne Haxby Photography

Live bands performed throughout the day and into the evening, Samantha Tindle sang, the Bawtry Youth Theatre performed excerpts from Sound of Music and the dog show had lots of entries. The children's sports events and the line dancing went ahead and everyone had a great day!

The children's tea party looked fantastic decorated with banners. Torworth Parish Council asked Ranskill Primary School to make them. Each class chose one decade of the Queen's reign and came up with an event relating to the Queen and more broadly in the world - they are all absolutely beautiful and were much admired. They will eventually be donated to the Museum in Retford as a reminder of the great occasion. Thanks go to Christie and Rob Willis who were instrumental in getting such a big event underway.

Paula Hadley

Beautiful Banners



Ranskill and Torworth Festival AGM

Our AGM will be on **Monday 11th July at 7.30pm** at Ranskill Church. We invite anyone with an interest in our festivals to attend and would warmly welcome your ideas, comments and support for our future festivals. We need you, our local residents, to help us plan and organise our village festivals for next year so please do come along. Commitment all year round is not necessary, but if you could lend time in the lead up to and/or at the actual events then that would be perfect and we would love you to come to the AGM and let us know you are interested!

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Mary Pryce



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SCROOBY PARISH COUNCIL CASUAL VACANCY

A Casual Vacancy for a Parish Councillor on the Scrooby Parish Council is now available owing to the recent resignation of Elaine Garget, who served the council for 10 years, an admirable commitment. We offer our sincere thanks to Elaine.

The Vacancies will be filled by co-opting 1 volunteer from Scrooby Parish who fulfil the following criteria:

- Be a UK or Commonwealth citizen, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland, or a citizen of another Member State of the European Union.
- Be at least 18 years old.
- Be on the Electoral Role, or in the past 12 months occupied land or other premises in the area the local council serves (as owner or tenant); or work in the area the local council serves (as your principal or only place of work); or live within three miles of the local council boundary.

If you are interested in helping with the future development of Scrooby and would like to offer your services on the council, please contact the clerk at parishcouncil@scrooby.net as soon as possible.

You will then be asked to attend our next council meeting with a brief resume of how you would benefit the council. If there are more than two applicants current councillors will decide on the successful persons by a simple show of hands.

Torworth Playing Field Committee Platinum Jubilee Festival Report



This year's Platinum Jubilee at Torworth's playing field was a great success despite the rainy weather! It was fantastic to see so many smiling children and adults enjoying the live music, performances and dog show. Not only were we celebrating the Queen's 70 years, but also our first event after 2 years of lockdown where we were able to catch up with neighbours and friends. The Torworth Playing Field Committee helped support many of the events in order to provide memories for years to come.

A big thank you to everyone who donated cakes, quiches, pies and biscuits as these baked goods raised a total of £131! The stall selling our Platinum Jubilee merchandise and 'Name the Bear' raised £42. Congratulations to Ms. I. Young on winning the bear with the name "Beary Potter". As always, any money raised will go straight to the Torworth Playing Field Committee who continue to raise money for the playground. Last year we applied for a large grant to increase the quantity of older child play equipment, and while unsuccessful, we received positive feedback from the granting body and will try again this year. Again, thank you to everyone who contributed to the Festival and to everyone who attended in their umbrellas and wellies. Here's to next year!

Christie Willis





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Christian Perspective



Recently we have been thinking about how we can press forward in our faith in difficult times. We started by looking at what Paul wrote in Philippians 3:12-14. We read that after all he had achieved, he was still straining to press on in the faith. He didn't feel that he had yet arrived at full maturity, but needed to keep on going forward, pressing in to the things of Christ.

Now we are going to see something that Peter wrote, giving us our final approach to going on in faith in the troubled times in which we live. His focus is about the forming of Christian character. He starts out in 2 Peter 1:3 by telling us God's part in the process: *'His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature.'* He is saying here God's power and heavenly nature are made available to us in Christ. He's not expecting us to somehow create godliness in ourselves.

However, it does demand our cooperation and participation. So what are we to do, what is our part? Peter goes on to explain from verse 6 that it is something that requires effort: *'make every effort to add to your faith'.*

Then follows a list of qualities of character we are meant to add to our faith, one on top of another: goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, brotherly affection, love. We are meant to have these qualities in *'increasing measure'*, and the outcome will be that we are effective and productive in our knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. That is the whole point of our faith in Jesus.

It reminds me of the parable Jesus told about the wise man and foolish man, one building on the rock and one on the sand: whether we look at the wise or the foolish man, there was a storm coming which they would both have to face. We too must face storms in this life and if we build on the firm foundations of the person and teaching of Jesus Christ, we will come through those storms still standing firm in our faith.



Finally, Peter tells us, in verses 10 and 11, the ultimate outcome of living like this will mean: *'you will never stumble, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.'* God bless and keep you as you keep walking with him.

Brenda Critchley

Puzzle for July

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 shaded cells in each main diagonal. These shaded diagonals must each contain the numbers 1 to 9. The solution is included elsewhere in the **STAR**.

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4. Which National Park was the first in England & Wales?
5. What is the name of the seaside resort located in the southwest of the Isle of Man?
6. What south coast resort lies between Poole and Christchurch?
7. In which county is Land's End?
8. Which seaside resort has Lanes and a nudist beach?
9. In which two counties is Constable Country?
10. Which port and seaside town was the inspiration for Bram Stoker's Dracula?
11. What are the chalk cliff headlands between Eastbourne and Seaford?
12. Which village was a popular destination for runaway couples?
13. Which Somerset town is said to be the birthplace of King Arthur?
14. Which Causeway was supposedly built as a bridge between Scotland & Ireland?
15. On which lake does Keswick stand?
16. Where are St Agnes, St Martin's and Bryher?
17. What is Lindisfarne also known as?
18. Which wild cat gives its name to a bay on Cardiff's quayside?
19. Which islands give their name to ponies and wool?
20. What are the Brecon Beacons?

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- **Sunday 17th:** Scrooby - 9.30am CW HC
- **Sunday 24th:** Ranskill - 9.30am CW HC,
Blyth – 10.30am Family Service
- **Sunday 31st:** Blyth – 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, 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 – Scrooby

Gordon Ashworth 01777 818322

Ranskill and Torworth W.I

Ranskill and Torworth WI's speaker for the meeting being held on Tuesday 26th July will be Lesley Bensley who's talk is entitled "Taking Stock". The History of the OXO Cube. Our meetings are held in The Village Hall. Kennel Drive. Barnby Moor. Commencing 7.30.p.m.

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1st Ranskill Rainbows

Ranskill Rainbows meet on Tuesdays at Scrooby Village Hall and are now at full capacity with a waiting list.

They joined in Retford Division St George's Day when the Rainbow was carried by Sophie and Emily to St Swithuns Church.

We welcomed Lucy, Anya, Olivia, Gabriella, Eva and Thea this term and they have now all made their Rainbow Promise.

Girls are working towards their Have Adventures Theme Award with Unit Meeting Activities and Skills Builders and have completed an obstacle course as part of their Agility Badge.

Many thanks to Mrs Ann Robbins who took the girls on an explore local walk to see the sheep and then brought two black lambs to the Village Hall for then to see and touch.

In July Rainbows join Retford Division Rainbows

for an afternoon of Circus Theme Activities at the Elms Hotel and we finish this term with a Teddy Bears Picnic at Idle Valley.

Thanks to all our helpers and if you are interested in volunteering or a place next year please register your interest on Girlguiding UK.



1st Ranskill Brownies

This term we have been joined by Jessica.

Thank you to all who supported our fundraising for Brownies and Rainbows at Ranskill and Torworth Platinum Jubilee Festivals.

Brownies enjoyed a great day at Roughbreck campsite in June and are also completing the Have Adventures Theme Award.

There are six Theme awards in Girlguiding and when all six have been achieved girls gain their Gold Award.

Well done to Izzy Smith from Everton who is our first Brownie to achieve this award and will be presented with it at our picnic at Idle Valley at the end of term.

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Deaf to the whisper of Autumn to follow.
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We drink while we can of her glorious treasure
Then as Summer fades, we recall at our leisure.

Joy Tudbury

Written for the Ranskill Flowerfest held in our Saint Barnabas
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MILE OF PENNIES

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Love Joy T

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3. Great Yarmouth 4. Peak District
5. Port Erin 6. Bournemouth
7. Cornwall 8. Brighton 9. Essex & Suffolk
10. Whitby 11. Seven Sisters
12. Gretna Green 13. Glastonbury
14. Giant's 15. Derwentwater
16. Scilly Isles 17. Holy Island
18. Tiger 19. Shetland 20. Mountains

QUOTE for the MONTH

"Good friends are like stars—you
don't have to see them to know they
are there"

Solution to July puzzle

6	1	2	5	3	8	7	9	4
5	8	7	9	4	1	2	6	3
4	3	9	2	6	7	1	5	8
3	5	4	7	8	2	6	1	9
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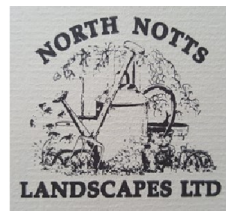
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Joy T

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(Station Road) DN22 8LE

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Of course, you can also try your hand on the bowling green, it is good fun as well as a challenge and there are prizes (some in a bottle) to be had for beginners and the more experienced, You may surprise yourself!!

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ABRIDGED DRAFT MINUTES OF SCROOBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 13 June 2022 in the Scrooby Village Hall

1. **Present** : Chair: Stephen Lincoln, Ed Marshall, Nadine Croft, Stephen Cordery, Frank White, Lindsey Buxton, Tony Smith (Clerk & Treasurer), County Cllr Tracey Taylor.
Parishioners / Public present: G&J Massam, A&M Longworth, E Gargett.
2. **Apologies**: District Councillor Jack Bowker
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting**: Accepted, no corrections - Proposed by, Nadine Croft, seconded by Ed Marshall.
- 3.1. **Confirmation of last meeting's action points** Completed or ongoing listed, but: the Off Roaders signs from the Police for the two Commons, the damaged Scrooby Road Signs, and Procurement Thresholds updates are carried forward.
4. **Agenda**
- 4.1. Confirmation of Agenda Items No additional items were added. It was noted the Parish Councillor vacancy is now open for co-option and candidates are being sought.,
- 4.2. Public Discussion a) Work to support local pensioners: Andy and Claire Longworth said they wanted to work more with the village and to help vulnerable or elderly people with meals or minor repairs where notified. That was welcomed by the council who would identify any needs.
Hedges bordering village roads: A letter received from a parishioner, as to why their hedge was always being the subject of a highways report and others not, was discussed. Tracey Taylor reminded us all that any report will trigger an assessment and conclusion. There then followed a sometimes heated discussion with responses but no specific outcome other than a statement from the Chair that within the powers of the Parish Council we will work on the wider hedges issue.
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: That the Central Bassetlaw Forum meeting had discussed the BDC Local Plan amendment and the BDC action on the Cost of Living Crisis.
6. **District and County Councillor's Report**
District Councillor Jack Bowker – No report, absent.
County Councillor Tracey Taylor – Reported on the Notts CC move to a cabinet style of operation, Devolution proposals, the STEP Nuclear Fusion project, the Gringley / Clayworth solar farm status. Locally, no movement yet on a speed survey for Chapel Lane nor the overgrown footpath on the Great North Road. It was clear the Notts CC environment visit to the Whinze was very useful, but feedback is awaited.
7. **Finance Report**
- 7.1 The Treasurer presented his report, which included basic Village Hall costs, Grass Cutting, PPL/PRS charge, etc., the report was approved. Full details of the report can always be viewed at www.scrooby.net.
- 7.2 Other activities were the PPL / PRS charge has been reluctantly paid, Council Insurance is with another (cheaper insurer),
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: Ponderosa Chapel Lane, no specific comments.
Existing Applications: None. Others: The Parish Council agreed it does have a continuing part to play in Parish Planning applications and the Scrooby SNAP work.
10. **Play Area**
Splinter issue – equipment to be checked.
11. **Village Hall**

Village Hall Operations: The long awaited baby changing unit is being delivered. The Food Bank box is to be moved to the Pilgrim Fathers for more exposure, the Parish Council thanked Claire and Andy for that offer.

The Queen's Jubilee 2nd June 2022 – The Parish Council gave it's sincere thanks to Andy and Claire at the Pilgrim Fathers for giving us all such a good event and Beacon Lighting..

12. Village Environment

Grass Cutting, issues have been resolved and the last cut was better. The positioning of the bins at the junction of Chapel Lane / Great North Road have been adjusted. The Highways report of the overgrown hedges around the Village Hall will be resolved at the next grass cut. Discussion was had about the number of potholes marked in the village and whether a full resurfacing was promised. This will be investigated further by Cllr Tracey Taylor who also reminded us all to log road surface issues on the Notts CC website to get them documented and actioned.

The development of The Whinze and Gibbet Hill Common – A very good evening on the Whinze by the scout group had proved the benefit of the recent working weekend. Funding continues to be sourced and the Woodland Trust is being asked for 60 saplings to be planted in November. The visit to the areas by the Notts Councillor responsible for the Environment was positive with the hope of support being forthcoming.

The Pilgrim Fathers Memorial – EM reported an application for funds from the Henry Moore Foundation, an update meeting due with Notts CC, the Wampanoag nation is contributing to the artwork and Ranskill School are to be involved in the paving designs.

The possible bridleway from Scrooby to Bawtry progresses with Landowners still being consulted.

The Scrooby Road Signs damage, the signs have been taken away for repairs.

14. Items for Information Only / Next Agenda

Next Meeting / Agenda: None at the meeting.

All minutes from Scrooby Parish Council meetings are always published after acceptance at www.scrooby.net

Next meeting to be held on Monday, 11th July 2022, 7.30 pm, in the Village Hall.

This Month's Issues for you to muse:

Criminal activity? If life threatening call 999, else

101 **Stay Safe, Stay Well**

The next meeting Monday, 11th July 2022 at 19:30pm. **ALL** Parishioners are always more than welcome to join. **SLOW DOWN** on Chapel Lane and all the Village Roads. **Could YOU**

join the Council and benefit the Parish? Look at the Noticeboard / Information Hub (Chapel Lane) / Scrooby.net website for all the latest information and consultations. **How**

do YOU think we should publicise the Parish Council and it's Events, answers to the Clerk please. PLEASE follow the procedure for using the Defibrillator, Call 999 first. Are you

ready to trim your hedge? 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?

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Chair's Annual Report May 2021-2022

This year, almost half of our meetings were suspended due to the continued Covid-19 pandemic and business responsibilities were turned over to our Clerk. Our face-to-face meetings resumed this past September at Lound Village Hall. We were pleased to host a Remembrance event in November to honour the residents who fought in WWII and to unveil our new WWII memorial stone.

We have continued to invest in the playpark by installing a shipping container for storage purposes and have brought electricity to the park for use during festivals. Two councillors attended training on the proper use of weed control, and they will also attend another training course to properly spray weeds using a backpack sprayer. We are also planning on planting trees along the Great North Road (a joint project with Ranskill Parish Council) and around the northern boundary of the play park. We have secured funding for a bench at the south-eastern bus stop, and a glazed shelter will soon replace the brick bus shelter which blew down during a severe storm.

The main topics that occupied the Parish Council this past year include the overdevelopment of Torworth, the small change to the boundary line between Torworth and Ranskill, speeding vehicles and the increase in accidents, and the lack of communication from Bassetlaw District Council regarding enforcement and formal complaints.

Looking forward, we will be hosting the Lighting of the Beacon event on Thursday, June 2nd, and are also supporting the celebrations and street party planned for Sunday, June 5th all as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee national celebrations. We will continue to work with both county and district councillors in securing funding for further play equipment and to reduce speed limits on our rural roads.

Christie Willis - Chair of Torworth Parish Council

Annual Report from the Playing Field Committee:

After almost two years of lockdown, the Playing Field Committee is pleased to be a part of Torworth's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations in June! As such, we have purchased three PA systems in order to support the live bands, performers, and dog show judges. This is considered an investment as we would have had to rent the equipment for almost the same amount. In effect, should we decide that live performances aren't for future events, then we can sell the equipment to get our money back. We are also supporting the crafting table during the event, as well as selling Jubilee products and a 'guess the name of the bear' in order to raise a little money. However, the enjoyment of the festivities by children and residents alike remains our priority this year.

In the forthcoming months, we are hoping to work with Torworth Parish Council in asking the residents what sort of play equipment they would like to see in the park, as well as applying for funding via the FC Communities foundation grant. We were unsuccessful in last year's round of applications but will revamp our efforts and try again this year.

For any queries or complete minutes please contact the clerk at parishcouncil@torworth.org.uk.

The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held at Lound Village Hall at 7pm on 5th July.

ABRIDGED MINUTES of the ANNUAL RANSKILL PARISH MEETING
held at the BOWLS CLUB, STATION ROAD
WEDNESDAY 11th MAY 2022 at 7:00pm

PRESENT:

Chair: D. Simpson

Councillors: L. Shaw, P. Blatchford, C. Janson-Piers, M. Pryce, A. Garner, P. Brown

Clerk: B. Kinsey

Members of the public: There were no members of the public attending.

03/0522: CHAIR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

It has been an increasingly busy 12 months as we've come out of Covid restrictions and returned to face-to-face meetings.

The Neighbourhood Plan has continued to take up a considerable amount of time but following the final public consultation, the Regulation 14 process has been successfully completed and the final draft plan is almost ready to be submitted to Bassetlaw for approval prior to the village referendum on its adoption.

There has been a great deal of work put in by the subcommittee to re-invent the parish website and we're almost ready to appoint a contractor to build the new website. My thanks to Councillors Garnet, Janson-Piers and Peel for their time and effort. The Parish Council also finally has its own Facebook page, thanks again to Cllr Janson-Piers for setting that up.

Another project that has finally started to come to fruition is the clearance and replanting of the pathway between Mattersey Road and Station Road. A great deal of positive feedback has been received from parishioners and this work will continue into next year with the final tree planting this autumn followed by smaller planting and wildflowers in spring 2023. My thanks to Councillor Shaw for coordinating the work so far.

Planning for the upcoming Jubilee has also been a focus with the Parish Council agreeing to provide a significant amount of funding towards events. Whilst the festival committee is independent of the Parish Council the work of Councillors Price and Peel, along with other volunteers, to bring the plans to reality is greatly appreciated.

The cataloguing and registration of council owned land has progressed substantially in the last 12 months as access to the archives has finally become available. A lot of the initial focus has been on the burial ground as this appears to have been registered incorrectly since it was purchased and we hopefully now have agreement with Torworth Parish Council on the best way forward. There is a great deal of work still to do on the other portions of land.

Another joint project with Torworth that will hopefully be completed in the coming year is further tree planting to fill the gaps along the Great North Road between the two villages. Should the applied for grant funding be received this will be coordinated with further planting around Ranskill.

The coming year will also see the launch of a renewal programme for equipment in the play park to supplement the newer items such as the roundabout and play ship. There are also plans underway for new Christmas lights to be purchased and an event around the switch on.

Lastly, I would like to thank all my fellow councillors for their work during the last year, as well as our County and District councillors for their support and advice and look forward to another productive year for the village in 22/23.

04/0522: FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

The year to March 2022 saw the Parish Council increasing its total reserves by £11,980 to £64,507.

A breakdown of Parish Council reserves shows that it is made up of: -

Restricted CIL - £15,389

Ringfenced NP - £0 now all spent

Ringfenced Defibrillator reserve - £621

General reserve - £48,497

The Parish Council has now received a total of £40,985 of CIL money over the last 5 years. These funds are restricted in terms of what they can be spent on, mainly capital works, but the intention is to continue to spend some of the money on upgrading the play equipment in the Park. Grant funding will be sought and old play equipment is planned to be replaced in a major refurbishment project. New safety matting was also installed during the year. Further CIL funding from new housing developments in the village is expected later in the financial year.

In addition, CIL funds of about £2,500 have been spent on clearing the land along the Station Road/Mattersey Road path, now renamed The Jubilee Pathway and planting 15 saplings. A grant has been applied for and if successful in the next planting year more trees will be bought to finish this project and any remainder planted in areas around the village greens.

There may also be a need in the coming year to provide some additional finance from general reserves to complete the neighbourhood plan through to referendum. Also commitments from general reserves are planned in the current year to support the village jubilee festival, increased contribution to The Star, The Bowls Club clubhouse repairs and a new parish web site.

Following all planned expenditure reserves will remain at a strong level.

ABRIDGED MINUTES of the RANSKILL ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held at the BOWLS CLUB, STATION ROAD
WEDNESDAY 11th MAY 2022 at 7:30pm

PRESENT:

Chair: D. Simpson

Councillors: L. Shaw, P. Blatchford, C. Janson-Piers, A. Garner, M. Pryce, P. Brown

Clerk: B. Kinsey

Members of the public: There were no members of the public attending.

01/0522: ELECTION OF CHAIR

Cllr Blatchford proposed Cllr Simpson as Chair. Seconded Cllr Brown. Carried.

02/0522: ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Cllr Garner proposed Cllr Shaw as Vice Chair. Seconded Cllr Pryce. Carried.

06/0522: PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

The Clerk will report the resignation of Cllr Sommerville to BDC Electoral Services.

07/0522: ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

a) Joint Burial Committee

Cllrs Simpson, Pryce, Brown & Garner were appointed.

b) Bassetlaw Forum

Cllr Simpson agreed to continue as our representative.

08/0522: ELECTION OF MEMBERS WITH SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITY

a) Planning: Cllr Simpson

b) Finance: Cllr Shaw

c) Playground: appointment delayed to the next meeting

d) Floral displays: currently run by resident volunteers

09/0522: MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13th April 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th April 2022 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

10/0522: UPDATE ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chair reported that the NP was almost ready to submit to BDC prior to independent examination. The final draft is being proof read, it is anticipated that the whole process will be completed this year.

11/0522: COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS

a) District Councillor: no report

b) County Councillor

After the elections in May last year, the new administration at County Hall started work in several key areas:

* Shaping a new Council Plan for the 10 years 2021-31, with a rolling 4 year focus. This was done through questionnaires and consultation events with residents, District & Borough partners, and wider stakeholder groups, and is available to view on the Council's website.

* Making an outline bid to Govt for a regional Devolution deal to pass more powers and decision making to local Govt. This preliminary bid was successful and Govt has approved Notts and neighbouring Derbyshire amongst the "pathfinder bids", subject only to submission of a detailed bid. This is currently being progressed, with a decision on the shape and scope expected this autumn/winter.

- * Backing the (successful) bid for the country's only inland Freeport near East Midlands airport.
 - * Creating a Development Corporation to support the economic ambitions of the County, including under a Devolution deal. (now established).
 - * Backing the bid to build the first STEP nuclear fusion reactor at West Burton (one of 5 preferred sites; decision expected this year).
 - * Managing ongoing COVID community support (with District, Borough and community partners).
 - * Co-ordinating the Countywide responsibilities for the Homes for Ukraine scheme.
 - * Major reviews of:
 - highways maintenance - with new practice and process being implemented
 - electric vehicle charging infrastructure - review ongoing
 - household waste recycling centres (waste collection & disposal) - review ongoing
- The Council AGM takes place Thursday 12 May, after which we will operate under a new Cabinet structure, intended to improve the speed and efficiency of decision making ahead of implementing the future Devolution deal.

12/0522: CRIME AND POLICING

No crime figures have been received since March. The clerk reported to PC Pickersgill that quad and dirt bike issues were increasing, especially on Station Road, Access Road and Birch Wood. We requested increased patrols.

14/0522: FINANCE

- c) Update on grant funding: the Clerk reported we are still waiting to hear regarding our LCF application.
- e) Review and approve annual insurance renewal: Zurich Municipal have quoted a price for the coming year of £532.99, an increase of just 1.1% over the current year. It was proposed by Cllr Shaw to remain with Zurich for the coming year, seconded by Cllr Brown.

16/0522: PLANNING

- a) To consider new planning applications: there were no new applications this month.
- b) Update on existing applications and other planning issues.
 - 22/00367/TPE: Bramble Lodge, Mattersey Road. Fell one pine tree, granted.
 - 21/00195/COND: Folly Nook House. Discharge of conditions, granted.
 - 22/0053/HSE Appledore, 21/01666/RES Land west of Great North Road and 21/01210/VOC Folly Nook House remain awaiting decision.

17/0522: COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

The BDC public consultation closes on 27th May. The PC decided not to review our contribution.

18/0522: AMENITIES AND FACILITIES

- a) Consider items relating to the village environment
 - Playground Annual Safety Report: no item or piece of equipment was reported beyond low risk.

The Clerk will meet with North Notts to consider essential repairs.
- b) Recruitment of a litter picker: position being re-advertised as the previous applicants have backed out of their interest in the position.

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