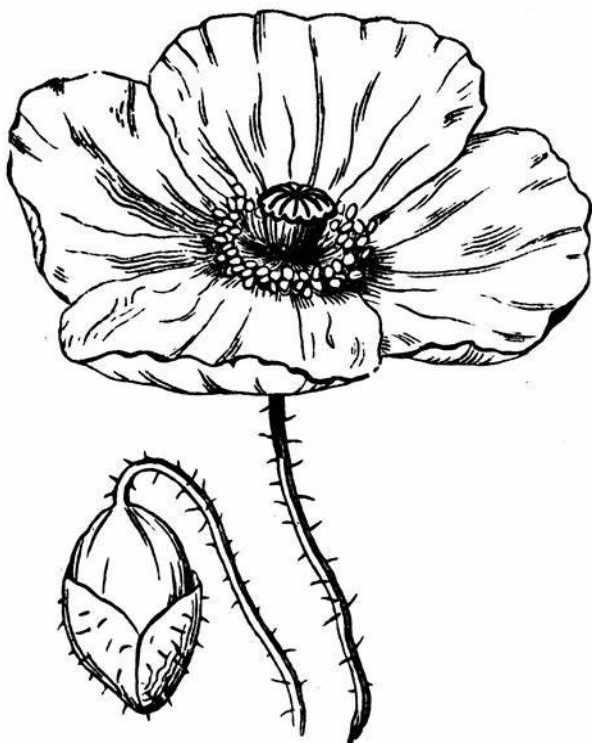


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IN MY OPINION

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Dear Readers

Looking forward to Christmas? Well there are two dates for your diaries, the Christmas tree light switch on at Ranskill on 1st December and a Christmas Melody performance on 9th December!

Hopefully you'll have time to enjoy a bit of Autumn before then. The nights are drawing in and the colours are changing; a time to pause and take stock before the long winter months.

Time to enjoy making spicy honey gingerbread? See page 19.

Time to enjoy The Missing Lynx talk? See page 15.

Time to enjoy an indoor game of bowls at Ranskill Bowls Club? See page 11.

Time to enjoy the Glass Onion screening at Scrooby Community Cinema? See page 8.

Time to enjoy a pie and peas quiz night? See page 5.

And leave some time to reflect at the Remembrance Parade at Ranskill Church. See page 11.

Enjoy

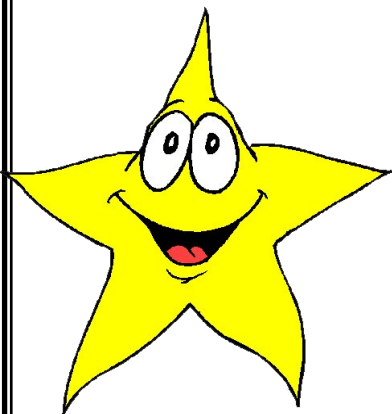
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Christian Perspective

It's that busy time of year again. How are your lists going? I know some people don't make lists of things to buy and do leading up to Christmas and others can't cope without them. Being busy seems to be a good thing, and it has always been my purpose, since I retired, to ensure I have at least one purposeful activity every day to make my life feel worthwhile. For each of us there are different things we are uniquely fitted to be doing, things that bring us satisfaction and that God has gifted us for.

Sometimes we think that being fruitful for the Lord is the same as being busy about his work. But just filling our time with activities isn't necessarily God's purpose for us. It has come to me afresh in these times that fruitfulness for the Kingdom starts in abiding in Jesus.

In John's Gospel chapter 15 Jesus speaks about the position of the believer, which is like that of a branch attached to the vine. The only way we can be well attached is by the constant abiding that Jesus is talking about here. In verse

4 we read:
Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.



When we set out to serve God in our own strength and understanding, it only leads to either burning ourselves out, or if we succeed, then it leads to pride in our own abilities.



But if we draw strength and wisdom from him and allow the presence of the Holy Spirit to live in us through faith in Jesus and serve in the love and power in his Name, then it will be his work that will be done and he will get the glory.

One of the ways this is seen is explained by John in his first letter. He writes this: *But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did. 1 John 2:5, 6.* So we go the Gospels and see how Jesus lived. We ask questions like: Who were the sort of people he associated with? What was his relationship with his heavenly Father like? What did he do before making important decisions, like choosing his 12 disciples?

Why not go to the bible and look up some answers to these questions for yourself and compare the life of Jesus with your life. If you fall short ask him to help you make a fresh start. God bless you as you abide, remain, lean in to Jesus and walk as he walked.

Brenda Critchley

Puzzle for November

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**.

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

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Scrooby Community Cinema Presents



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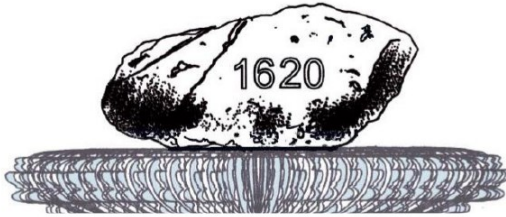
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Scrooby Mayflower Art Installation Autumn Update



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The bronze castings leave the foundry en route for Scrooby

Ed Marshall



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Our indoor season is established and the autumn care of the green is underway. We would like to give a huge thankyou to members for the fantastic work done repairing the shed, tables and benches etc. and for ground maintenance during the outdoor season it is very much appreciated.

New members are warmly welcomed. The indoor game is equally challenging and a lot of fun. Just come and give it a try, all you need is flat indoor shoes as we have spare bowls available. For further information contact Simon Wallis 07876 285593. For the Friday morning Chatty Craft Club contact Carol West 07495 078254.

Ranskill and Torworth W.I

The next meeting of the above organisation will be on Tuesday 28th November when the speaker will be Mr. Stephen Flinders who will bring "The Old Curiosity Box"

Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month, in The Village Hall. Kennel Drive. Barnby Moor. Commencing 2pm.

Visitors are always welcome.

Church Notices for November

- Sunday 5th: Scrooby – 9.30am CW HC
- Sunday 12th: Ranskill – 9.30am CW Remembrance Parade
- Sunday 19th: Blyth – 9.30am CW HC
- Sunday 26th: Ranskill – 9.30am CW HC

Key:

CW – Common Worship

HC – Holy Communion

BCP – Book of Common Prayer

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

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

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Arundel Drive / Oaks Close	11.00 - 11.40	Torworth Holds Lane	14.25 - 14.40
Arundel Drive No 38	11.45 - 12.15	Torworth Underwood Ave	14.45 - 15.00

Scrooby - Tuesday 7th November

Lyndhurst	15.20 - 15.30	Station Road / Low Road	15.35 - 15.50
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2. Clever folk
3. Edible fasteners
4. 9, 10, 11
5. Occult perhaps
6. Toothless drink
7. Sport for Princes
8. Assorted girls toys
9. High class thoroughfare
10. Fallen fruits
11. Pirates loot
12. Eastern belly dancer
13. Outside meal
14. Alien transport
15. Talk quietly
16. Big bus
17. Out there (look up at night)
18. Even more out there
19. Money making royalty
20. Big cat's pub
21. Musical bards
22. Lots of parties
23. Various black items
24. Dairy holder
25. Sly giggles
26. Ten cent pub
27. Feline equipment
28. Silence a chatterbox
29. Antarctic resident
30. 100% Au



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This promises to be a fascinating talk on a very topical subject. David is an accomplished speaker who has visited us many times before. His talks always contain an element of fun (as in the title!) and we always come away having learnt something very

interesting. This one is not to be missed!

This meeting will be held at Idle Valley Centre starting at 7.15pm, on Thursday, 09 November; £3.00 entry includes tea and biscuits. All welcome; no need to book.

If you haven’t already, why not sign up for email updates to ensure you get all the information about the North Notts Local Group’s talks and activities straight to your inbox? Don’t miss any of the excitement!

If you’d like to see our full programme of talks through to April 2024, sign up for email updates. For more information, phone Jan **01777 709974** or **07969 180067** or email **janwilliamson133@gmail.com** if you would like to receive email updates of Local Group activities.

Wednesday Memory Group

Another First!

Yes, another first for the Wednesday Group was a visit from Retford Ukulele Group! Ukulele bands seem to have become very popular in recent years but it’s taken some time to track one down in Retford. However, thanks to one of our members, Bridget, we managed it.

They visited the Group in September and we can’t wait to get them back! They were great fun, chatting to the members about their instruments and what they do. They played a varied selection of pop songs that were all very familiar and a few well-known, traditional folk songs, all the time singing along and stamping their feet to the beat.

It wasn’t long before Wednesday Group members were joining in and very soon, they were up and dancing, waving their arms and singing at the tops of their voices. It was clear, by the end, that everyone had had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon and the

musicians seemed to be as keen to do a return visit as the group members were to have them back. It was not till the following week we learned that one of our members had returned home to his wife and announced, “That’s been the best afternoon I’ve had in a very long time!” Well-deserved praise for a lovely and very talented group of musicians.

If you care for someone with dementia or you yourself have a diagnosis and you think the Wednesday Group might be helpful, do get in touch. For more information, contact Jan on **01777 709974** or **07969 180067** or email **janwilliamson133@gmail.com** for the latest on what we are doing and current availability.

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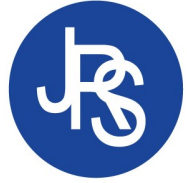
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1½ teasp ginger (go easy!)
Salt (pinch)
4oz clear honey
2 tabsp milk

To finish – 2 tabsp coarse cut marmalade

Sieve flour, salt and ginger into a basin then add sugar and raisins
Gently melt butter and honey

Dissolve bicarb in the milk and add to honey mix

Make a well in the flour and combine all together then turn out into a lined tin, approx 7½" square

Bake at 325°F 190°C Gas Mark 3 for 30 minutes

Spread marmalade on cake and bake for further 15-20 minutes



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¼ pint milk
Salt and pepper

1 onion, chopped
3 tomatoes, sliced

2 eggs
3oz grated cheese

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Simmer apple and onion with a little water till tender – cool then place on pastry

Sprinkle on cheese

Beat together eggs, milk, salt and pepper then pour on top

Bake at 400°C Mark 6 for 10-15 minutes then lower heat to 350° Mark 5

Spread sliced tomatoes on top – bake for a further 20-30 minutes till set

Serve hot *Freezes well*

Joy T

Scrooby Harvest Supper

Thank you to everyone who helped or contributed in any way to the Harvest Supper.

After a small donation to the village hall, £595 was raised which has been divided between the Retford Hospice and Medecins sans Frontieres.

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QUOTE for the MONTH

"Insanity is hereditary — you get it from the children!"

SAM REVISION

Solution to November puzzle

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

Traffic

So that everyone is clear I often write the same thing about the cars and vans parked outside the chip shop and paper shop blocking cars needing to get through the lights. A ticket warden has been and spoken too. He said he gave some tickets out and moved others on that were sat in cars !!! Not good enough after he left at 6 it was rammed at the top of road. When are the shops going to be held to account?

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ABRIDGED DRAFT MINUTES OF SCROOBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 10 July 2023 in the Scrooby Village Hall

1. **Present** : Chair Stephen Cordery, Nadine Croft, Lindsey Buxton, Ellaina Brazier, Ceri Smith, Michaela Blount, Tony Smith (Clerk & Treasurer), District Cllr Jack Bowker (Part). Parishioners / Public present: Ed Marshall and Norman Gray.
2. **Apologies**: Elaine Gargett, County Cllr Tracey Taylor.
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting**: Minutes were accepted, No corrections - Proposed by Nadine Croft, Seconded by Ceri Smith.
- 3.1. **Confirmation of last meeting's action points** Completed or ongoing listed, but: Procurement Thresholds updates are carried forward, as are Notts CC environmentalist to contact Lindsey Buxton, Central Bassetlaw Forum Report, Pilgrim Fathers Macrame to be moved, PCSO to report of his discussions with Ranskill about the Speed Watch.
4. **Agenda**
 - 4.1. Confirmation of Agenda Items Community First Responders and a new Planning Consultation (See below).
 - 4.2. Public Discussion – None.
5. **Correspondence**: The usual number of notices, e-mails and letters had been received over the last month and were listed before the meeting. Those of note: D-Day 2024 celebrations planning, Central Bassetlaw Forum, visitors to the Parish who do they contact? Also it was agreed to donate £50 to the North Notts Community First Responders and ask about courses for the future.
6. **District and County Councillor's Report**

District Councillor Jack Bowker – Parish Councillors do not need to be DBS checked, Jack is to be Cabinet Liaison Member for Housing and Neighbourhoods..

County Councillor Tracey Taylor – Absent.
7. **Finance Report**
 - 7.1 The Treasurer presented his report, which included basic Village Hall costs, grass cutting, training, defib battery and the quarterly salaries, the report was approved. Full details of the report can always be viewed at www.scrooby.net.
 - 7.2 Other activities included Annual Accounts still remain open to the public and the Bank Signatories have changed.
 - 7.3 Parish Councillor Roles and Responsibilities – Agreed and to be published on the Scrooby.net website.
 - 7.4 Scrooby Parish Welcome Pack – carried to next meeting.
8. **Police Report**

Local PCSO. Tel: 07525 989445, did not attend.

The Community Speed Watch Scheme with Cameras: Despite a publicity drive only 2 volunteers came forward and it was noted the system is not allowed within the village. Therefore after detailed debate it was agreed to only progress the Speed Watch when 3 or more volunteers come along. Alternate means such as Wheelie Bin stickers are being investigated..
9. **Planning & Neighbourhood Plan**

Planning issues: New Applications: 23/00646/CAT, The Barn, Low Road – tree pruning, no objections. 23/00777/CAT, Holmefield Croft – Remove three trees, appears to have been done already. Clerk to lodge comments as such and raise with the Planning Dept.

Existing Applications: New house on the Great North Road, refused. 5 more static caravans down Saracens Lane, appealing. Car Sales Plot, refused.

Planning Enforcement: No new cases reported. *Noted that in some cases Bassetlaw Planning request confidentiality.*

Ceri Smith is to take over PC responsibility for Planning issues.
10. **Play Area**

Root / mole holes on the Croft have been found and dealt with. Michaela Blount is to take over responsibility for the Playground and its inspections.
11. **Village Hall**

Village Hall Operations: The hall is in good use, operating well, but the boiler has failed totally. After sourcing multiple prices it was authorised to replace the boiler immediately (Action Ed Marshall). Also it was noted 8 new beer tables have been donated by the Scrooby Show.
12. **Village Environment**

Grass Cutting, the hedges and a pick up grass cut will be made before the Scrooby Show tent is erected. Work will be completed after pricing on the overhanging trees on Station Road. The Station Road dyke is blocked and overflows – ownership (Highways, Bassetlaw Council, etc.) is to be obtained so that corrective work can be completed.

The village hall defibrillator was off line for 48 hours due to a failed battery, it is again fully operational.
- 12.2 The development of The Whinze and Gibbet Hill Common – The major build work is in progress, benches are installed, gates next and then the list completed. The information boards have been chosen and ordered. An interim report made to Severn Trent on time, who have also cleared weeds along the riverbank.
- 12.5 The Pilgrim Fathers Memorial – EM reported progress, the mould is complete, casting next. But the project remains on time.
14. **Items for Information Only / Next Agenda**

The Chair thanked everyone for their extra time tonight.

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- Apologies**: Tony Smith apologised for attending the meeting via Zoom, due to having Covid19.
- Minutes of the Last Meeting**: Minutes were accepted, No corrections - Proposed by Nadine Croft, Seconded by Ceri Smith.
- 3.1 Confirmation of last meeting's action points** Completed or ongoing listed, but: Procurement Thresholds updates are carried forward, as are Notts CC environmentalist to contact Lindsey Buxton, Pilgrim Fathers Macrame to be moved, More copies of the "Yellow" Scrooby pamphlet, Wheelie Bin stickers for speed notices, and the pruning of the overhanging trees on Station Road.
- 4. Agenda**
 - Confirmation of Agenda Items Snow Wardens and D-Day 2024 (See below).
 - Public Discussion – None.
 - Correspondence**: The usual number of notices, e-mails and letters had been received over the last month and were listed before the meeting. Those of note: D-Day 2024 celebrations planned at the Pilgrim Fathers, and the Bassetlaw Vision 2040 consultation.
 - District and County Councillor's Report**
County Councillor Tracey Taylor – Devolution update, all going to plan. IGas Test Drill site at Misson re-instatement work to commence, Lound soil treatment plant is in a public appeal enquiry, HIVE is still proceeding through planning. Only 1 school in Notts is affected by RAAC.
District Councillor Jack Bowker – RAAC concrete, none found in BDC, Wilko redundancies being supported by Bassetlaw, Bawtry and Blyth Medical practice to be merged with Oakwood in Cantley is in consultation.
 - Reminder of the Notts County Waste Local Plan consultation until 9th October
- Finance Report**
 - The Treasurer presented his report, which included basic Village Hall costs, grass and hedge cutting, and the Village Hall boiler, the report was approved. Full details of the report can always be viewed at www.scrooby.net.
 - Other activities included Annual Accounts still remain with the External Auditors and the recent New Councillors course was felt to be very worthwhile..
 - Scrooby Parish Welcome Pack – agreed to place more copies of the STAR in the telephone box.
- Police Report**
Local PCSO. Tel: 07525 989445, did not attend. No report.
- Planning & Neighbourhood Plan**
 - Planning issues: New Applications: 23/00857/HSE, The Shieling, Great North Road – replace outhouse, no objection lodged
Existing Applications: 5 more static caravans down Saracens Lane and the Car Sales Plot are in appeal.
 - Planning Enforcement: No new cases reported. *Noted that in some cases Bassetlaw Planning request confidentiality.*
Lound Soil Treatment and HIVE have been reported in 6. Above. Noted the Consultation on the modifications to the Bassetlaw Local Plan.
- Play Area**
Nothing to report, the annual inspection is to be arranged.
- Village Hall**
Village Hall Operations: The hall is in good use, operating well, and with a brand new boiler! Decided not to purchase the second hand Amberol Planters. The CPR and First Aid courses are arranged for the next two Wednesday's. It was understood that Andy and Clare from the Pilgrim Fathers were taking a step back and a new senior manager is joining. The Scrooby Parish Council wanted to record their thanks to Andy and Clare for all their hard work and village involvement since they came to Scrooby.
- Village Environment**
Elaine Gargett has volunteered to be our "Snow Warden" with Bassetlaw. She will also undertake a litter pick down Mill Lane to tidy it up. The Station Road dyke – ownership has been defined and they have been contacted to clear the vegetation, the discharge into the dyke has been defined as being allowed because it is not a highways drain. Clearance to be monitored.
- 2.2** The development of The Winze and Gibbet Hill Common – The benches have been assessed by a HSE practitioner and declared safe to use. Final work by North Notts Landscaping to be agreed. The Lecterns are in progress. The Bug Hotel is installed, thanks to Dan and the installers and the Scouts who will fill it. The boundary fence on the Great North Road, fencing is not in the current budget but could be the subject of a future project phase. It was asked that any remedial work to fallen trees, etc., should be reported to the Parish Council so that the appropriate insurance cover can apply. Stephen Cordery then thanked both Lindsey and Nadine for all their changes and hard work to date.
- 2.3** Winter Maintenance – the 5 free bags of salt are to be ordered and a discussion was held as to where best to place them in the village. Highways are to be requested to hold an inspection to see if we can have any yellow highways salt bins.
- 2.4** The grass and hedge cutting was completed OK for the Show. The overhanging tress on Station Road – prices are being sought to trim them correctly.
- 2.5** The Pilgrim Fathers Memorial – EM reported progress, the casting is to be cast. The Time Capsule was buried during the Show. The unveiling is targeted for Thanksgiving (23 November) and a discussion was held as to who to unveil it ranging from the King to the US ambassador, coupled with possible TV attendance.
- 4. Items for Information Only / Next Agenda**
None The Chair thanked everyone for their attention to timings this meeting.

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Where do you think winter salt should be placed?

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**MINUTES OF THE TORWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
LOUND VILLAGE HALL**

Tuesday September 5th, 2023 at 7pm



PRESENT

Chair: Councillor C. Willis (CW)

Vice-Chair: Councillor J. Helliwell (JH)

Councillors: R. Willis (RW), D Lacey

County Councillor: T Taylor

District Councillor: None

Clerk: C. Challener (CC)

Members of the public: 1

01/0923

OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

02/0923

WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The chair opens the meeting welcoming everyone.

D Bamford sends apologies.

03/0923

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

04/0923

CRIME REPORT

Rural Crime Officer and ex police detective David Elms attends the PC meeting updating on Rural police issues and the police strategy on addressing such matters.

Note: For further advice on matters relating to rural crime please contact David Elms on david.elms@notts.police.uk

05/0923

COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

County reported topics:

Devolution update

Road Speed reduction consultation

Misson Springs to commence restoration at the iGas site.

No schools in Bassetlaw affected by the reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete issue.

District reported topics:

None reported.

Please contact your District or County councillor direct for further information on the issues reported or to raise issues direct with them.

06/0923

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as accurate and as a true record of proceedings.

07/0923

COUNCILLOR RAISED ITEMS, MATTERS ARISING DURING THE MONTH & ONGOING MATTERS

The grant from the NCC has been received and the netball poles and nets, purchased and installed in the playing field.

CLlr R Willis to email the requirements for the playground lights to the clerk.

Cllr C Willis to meet with the chair of Ranksill PC to discuss burial board constitution requirements during the forth coming month.

08/0923 FINANCE

The Bank Reconciliation is passed for review.

Payments presented and approved for the period:

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Card 58, Notts Timber	£(99.00)
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Note, Card 58	£(210.00)

Receipts

Field Hire - post office deposit	£30.00
CRD58VM CASHBACK	£1.02
NCC Grant	£225.00

9/0923 AMENITIES AND FACILITIES

The Playing Field and events committee have purchased 2 benches for the playing field. It is resolved for the PC to pay for the installation of the benches in the playing field.

It is agreed to progress with various other works to the playing field £650 earmarked.

£100 whips to be purchased in November to fill in the hedges in the gaps. Clerk to purchase.

It is resolved to hire a 8yd skip for the removal of the playing field rubble – Cllr C Willis to arrange. £295 plus vat earmarked.

Cllr C Willis to obtain a quote for 5hrs contracted work per month for a village inspection, playground inspection, defib check, any other requirements. To be further discussed in November.

Clerk to get a service cost for the Mower.

It is resolved to hold a gathering to Commemorate Remembrance Day on Sunday 12th November at 2pm. Light refreshments to be provided. £25 spend agreed. Cllr C Willis/ R Willis to arrange.

10/ £50 of lamp post poppies to be purchased for Remembrance Day. Clerk to purchase.

The Torworth Playing Field and Events committee have kindly offered to purchase and donate to the Parish Council a second set of goal posts. The Parish Council resolve to accept the offer, and accept the ongoing associated maintenance and installation costs.

Quotes for Hawthorn and Ceanothus have been emailed for review. Cllrs to review prior to November and decide on qty's for ordering in November.

Cllr C Willis to provide dates for a VIA meet to discuss benches on the Great North Rd.

10/0923 PLANNING ISSUES DECLARED BEFORE OR AT THE MEETING

Planning Applications on consultation:

23/00710/FUL | Proposed Change of Use of Land to a 20 Pitch Touring Caravan Park, Managers Accommodation and Personal Gym, and Associated Infrastructure | Land To The South Of Mantles Farm Moor Lane Blyth Worksop Nottinghamshire – No concerns other than Highways issues as raised by NCC.

Determinations from previous Applications:

None

11/0923 CORRESPONDENCE AND CORRESPONDENCE TO BE CIRCULATED

Winter Warden duties – J Helliwell

Winter requirements – none

A Letter asking whether dog training can take place on the playing field – following discussion it is resolved that this would not be a suitable location. Clerk to reply accordingly.

Hugo Fox Fees – it is resolved to purchase the £9.99 plus vat per month option.

Vision Consultation for Bassetlaw District Council is now open.

New NCC road repair tracker now live.

The secretary of the allotment society has now resigned.

The Friends of Daneshill group are now looking for volunteers to replace various positions.

Main modification for BDC Local Plan consultation is now open.

12/0923 UPDATES FROM OTHER COMMITTEES AND GROUPS

None

13/0923 INFORMATION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE NEXT MEETING & ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Beacon Quote

D Day events

Hawthorn and Ceanothus quantities.

14/0923: DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 7th November at 7pm

Signed as a true record: _____ Date _____

Print name _____ Position: _____

For more information, or queries please contact the clerk on the below or a Parish Councillor direct.

Parish Clerk: Mrs Claire Challener

parishcouncil@torworth.org.uk

Action List from previous meetings:

A member of the public requests a **bench on the Great North Road**. It is agreed to purchase an armed and backed bench. Sites to be considered and then highways to be contacted for permission. Cllr R Willis/ J Helliwell to provide the what 3 words for VIA location approval. District grant to be requested. £600 agreed. **The Muslim charity have approved the purchase of a bench**. Highways to be contacted for approval and progression (JH/RW all agree)

The Millennial Sign is in disrepair. Replacement costs are coming out circa £200-£300.

Various Grants/funding being looked into.

Village Hall: a community survey is to be completed to ascertain whether there is a requirement for a village hall. To be progressed in 2023.

Trees to TPO: a walk around has been completed. The information to be digitally mapped out, any highways trees to be removed.

Action CW

The area near the container for the base of the toilets is to be chipped.

Action CW/contractor

An area to be concreted in preparation for the purchase of a new container. £300 earmarked.

Action CW/contractor

Ratchet straps and tarpaulin to secure the container/toilets in place to be purchase.

Action CW

Quote for the moving on the Beacon to a preferred location.

Action CW

Clerk to look into the LIS Grant for a container and other grants for playground lighting.

Following a review of the suggested changes to the Burial Board constitution and terms by both Ranskill and Torworth Parish Councils it is resolved to earmark £2k towards solicitor fees/independent arbiter to progress the matter to a satisfactory and independent outcome. It is to be suggested that both chairs meet to progress the matter.

Solar lighting at the park to be purchased £500 earmarked. Cllr R Willis to progress.

Clerk to get quotes for pink and white Hawthorn and Ceanothus for the September meeting.

MINUTES of the RANSKILL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at the BOWLS CLUB, STATION ROAD - WEDNESDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2023 at 7:30pm

PRESENT:

Chair: D. Simpson

Councillors: L. Shaw, P. Brown, J. Peel, M. Pryce, A. Bing

D. Cllr: Absent

C. Cllr: T. Taylor (part)

Clerk: B. Kinsey

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

01/0923: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr A. Garner

02/0923: DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS: None

03/0923: TO ADJOURN TO ALLOW PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One resident attended the meeting to directly address C. Cllr Taylor to ask for more intervention in finding a solution to clear flooding at Station Road and Willow Avenue. Blocked drains are full of rubble and need clearing, the two authorities responsible need to coordinate action.

04/0923: MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING HELD ON 12TH JULY 2023

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th July 2023 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

05/0923: COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS

a) District Councillor

Absent.

b) County Councillor

Devolution for the County authority is proceeding. Recruitment of senior officers is taking place and a new CEO has been appointed.

The STEP project for nuclear fusion at West Burton are now holding events to inform the public of the processes involved and residents are encouraged to attend.

The Hive Energy pulverised ash project at Idle Valley the applicant is progressing further assessment work and revising working and restoration plans. When available there will be a further public consultation.

The VIA EM consultation for lower speed limits between Ranskill and through Torworth has obtained the opinion of statutory consultees.

FCC Environment at Daneshill have submitted an appeal against the Environmental Agency's refusal of a permit for sorting asbestos contaminated soil.

There are no schools in Bassetlaw with an aerated concrete (RAAC) issue.

06/0923: CRIME AND POLICING

The latest crime figures for the beat of Ranskill & Lound to August reported 6 crimes of various types.

07/0923: HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC

a) Road disrepair in Ranskill is a major concern, especially Blyth Road. Cllrs enquired if we could be advised where Ranskill appears on the priority list.

b) A new speed watch team was formed with volunteers coming forward, Cllrs Shaw (leader), Pryce and Peel, together with a couple of residents. The Clerk was asked to contact Mattersey and Scrooby to ascertain if they wanted to combine with our team.

08/0923: FINANCE

- a) Cash at bank at 31st August: £100,964 of which £52,588 is restricted funds.
- b) Further CIL funding is expected to be received this financial year. The next precept payment will be early October.
- c) A report was considered, prepared by the Clerk, to open longer term deposit accounts to obtain a much improved rate of interest over NatWest. CILs agreed after discussion to the conclusion and place funds with Cambridge and Counties Bank.

09/0923: PLANNING

- a) Two new planning applications have been received, 23/00967/HSE and 23/01040/LBA both for a grade II listed building High House Farm, Blyth Road. After consideration, CILs decided that there were no objections.

10/0923: COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

- a) The relocation of signage is under consideration by NCC Highways.

11/0923: AMENITIES AND FACILITIES

- a) The playground September safety report has not been received to date.

It was noted that a decision of the FCC Communities Foundation decision regarding our grant application for the playground was made on the 13th of September. Cllr Bing will be advised of that decision within the next 10 days.

- b) A resident has stated that the entrance to the playground from Mattersey Road is difficult for mobility scooters. This matter will be pursued along with the playground refurbishment.

13/0923: CONSIDER ADOPTING A GRANT FUNDING POLICY

The further amendments were accepted and it was resolved to adopt this new policy. Proposed by Cllr Peel and seconded by Cllr Shaw. The Clerk will add this policy to our website.

14/0923 CONSIDER CO-OPTION OF ADDITIONAL COUNCILLORS

The Clerk was requested to place a further article in The Star and on our website to try to encourage further applicants.

15/0923: CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

- a) A resident has written to the PC enquiring if we are able to clear the path between Arundel Drive and Oaks Close. The Chair will examine the issue and report.
- c) The PC has just received a note from NALC regarding email addresses. It is now strongly recommended that a .gov.uk address is used and in no circumstances personal email addresses be deployed. We currently use .org.uk which a free service, however there is better security with a government address. The Clerk was asked to contact PCW our provider to determine the cost and procedure.

16/0923: INFORMATION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE NEXT MEETING

None

17/0923: DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

11th October 2023.

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