

The Rooster

Roos Parish Newsletter

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Church News and Views

Anglican : Roos United Benefice

Garton-with-Grimston, St Michael. Hilston, St Margaret.
Roos, All Saints'. Tunstall, All Saints'.

From Rev Gordon Smethurst, Roos Rectory (671744)

The sunlit Autumn has carried on and on until Christmas and New Year are suddenly upon us.

All over the world approaching two billion Christians prepare to welcome the world's Saviour. 2000 years ago in Bethlehem whatever the Wise Men offered or the Angels sang, such a presumption would have been laughed at. Now nearly a third of the population of the planet follows his teaching. One little gee lamp in a draughty stable is now multiplied to become a sparkling reflection on earth of the stars of the Milky Way.

The children at Roos School brought a few tears to our eyes and many a smile to our lips as the younger pupils retold the nativity again as 'The Camel's Arms', and the older ones as 'Abiazer's Travels.' Their costumes, and the quality of their performance made all associated with the school proud of them.

If New Year Resolutions make you strive for perfection, remember that Noah got drunk; Isaac was a daydreamer; Jacob a liar; Gideon afraid; Samson a womaniser; King David an adulterer and murderer; Jonah a racist; Peter a coward; the rest of the Disciples sleepy and stupid. Even God's chosen ones are far from perfect. But we'll try a few resolutions just to give Him a laugh.

Local police : "Think security"

Your vehicle

Don't leave valuables in your car at any time, particularly overnight or when parked up whilst Christmas shopping. A car with all kinds of bags on display is an open invitation to the thief.

Your home

Don't leave doors insecure. Burglars love the dark and will take advantage if you leave doors open whilst elsewhere in the house. Consider home security. Have you got good locks fitted? Do you have an alarm? Have you thought about dawn-to-dusk lighting to illuminate those dark places where a burglar could hide?

Don't leave presents and valuables on open display, particularly round the tree near windows where passers-by can see in. This offers a shop window to thieves who could ruin your Christmas.

Our burglary rate locally is very low but recent sneak-in thefts in Thorgumbald show that thieves are operating in our area. Don't give them a chance!

Anglican Services, etc.

Key: HC Holy Communion.
MP Morning Prayer. EP = Evening Prayer.
BCP Book of Common Prayer (Old Prayer Book)
CW Common Worship (New Prayer Book)

December

22	Fri	6.30	Tunstall. Lessons and Carol Service.
23	Sat	10.00	Roos Rectory. Christingle working party.
24	Sun		Christmas Eve
		6.30	Roos. Christingle Service.
		11.30	Garton. Midnight Mass.
25	Mon		Christmas Day
		9.00	Tunstall. Short Service. Blessing of gifts and Holy Communion.
31	Sun	10.00	Tunstall. Benefice Service.
January			
7	Sun	9.00	Garton. HC. BCP.
		10.30	Roos Memorial Institute. Morning Service.
10	Wed	7.30	Roos PCC. The Bailey, South End.
14	Sun	9.00	Tunstall. HC. CW.
		10.30	Roos. HC. CW.
		11.00	Garton. Plough Sunday Service followed by lunch at the Chapel.
21	Sun	9.00	Garton. MP. BCP.
		10.30	Roos. MP.
		3.00	Hilston. HC. BCP.
28	Sun	9.00	Tunstall. HC. BCP.
		10.30	Roos. HC. CW.
		3.00	Garton. EP. Canon Stephen Dias.

Methodist Services

December

24	Sun	10.30	Christmas Eve. Roos Memorial Inst. Carols.
31	Sun	—	No service at Roos.

January

7	Sun	10.30	Mem. Institute. United Service. Mrs J. Brown.
14	Sun	10.30	Roos Memorial Institute. Mr M. Cox.
21	Sun	—	No service at Roos.
28	Sun	10.30	Roos Mem. Inst. Mr M. Cox. Rev J. Brown.

February

4	Sun	10.30	All Saints', Roos. United Service.
11	Sun	10.30	Roos Memorial Institute. Mr T. Butcher.
18	Sun	—	No service at Roos.
25	Sun	10.30	Roos Memorial Institute. Rev J. Brown.

Correction

Fire Safety (November issue, p. 10)

Phil Leake's phone number at Worship Street was given wrongly. The correct number is 01482 - 321942.

The email – pleake@humbersidefire.gov.uk – must be his work address.

There is also a FREEPHONE No. : 0808 - 141 - 8282.



A Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year to you all



Roos Parish Council

Meeting on 13th December

Attendance

Councillors Winter (Chair), Cheeseman, Cook, Craggs, Dodson, Grant, Helliwell and Kirk.

Apology for absence : Cllr Smales.

In attendance : Mrs L Dearing (Parish Clerk)
Mr Barry Lee.

Members of the public : seven.

Councillor's Declaration of Interests

No changes were declared to the register.

Minutes of the November meeting

The Minutes were approved. The following matters arose from the Minutes.

Greenacre Park

The Clerk had written to Mr Mick Lockwood about the work needed. His response was awaited.

Parish Website

Following the decision to go ahead with the website it was agreed that Mr Willis Ainley, Miss Jackie Cracknell and Mrs Lesley Dearing should be nominated for training. It was also agreed that Cllr Helliwell should complete the application form. Material to be posted on the site would need the prior approval of the parish council

Southfield Lane, Tunstall

The Parish Council believed that the condition of the road made it unsuitable for large vehicles, especially in icy conditions. The Clerk had written to Mr Boden about these concerns and specifically about the use of this route by school buses. Members felt that that his response was unsatisfactory and asked the Clerk to write again to say so.

Parish land adjoining Manor Farm, Tunstall

Cllr Winter reported that Mr John Quarmby had discussed with him the wish of Mrs Quarmby and Mrs Brocklesby to purchase the plot alongside Manor Farm formerly rented as a garden. The legalities of such a sale needed to be explored. One member thought that, as common land, the plot could not be sold. Cllr Helliwell noted that Roos Parish Council inherited rights in the land when Tunstall became part of Roos Parish.

ERYC : Local Development Framework

Two consultation documents had been tabled at the November meeting :

- Smaller Settlements

Cllr Helliwell said that Mr Ashcroft had acknowledged receipt of the completed Questionnaire.

- Transport Plans

Cllr Helliwell said that this document had little relevance to Roos Parish. Since most members had not yet read it, it would be circulated to them along with two other documents noted at the last meeting.

ERYC : Youth Opportunities Fund

Cllr Helliwell said that it had been impossible to publicise

details in the November newsletter but they would be reported in the December issue.

ERYC : Nominations for Chairman's Awards

Cllr Winter asked whether anyone had any nominations. Cllr Helliwell said that this was another topic that had not been covered in the November newsletter. Details of the scheme would appear in December.

Cllr Grant said that the notice should be displayed on the parish notice board so that persons who did not receive "The Rooster" would be able to nominate someone. (Cllr Helliwell said that every household in the parish received a copy.) Cllr Winter said that he would display the notice.

Cllr Craggs had a nomination in mind and would propose it at the next meeting.

EnergieKontor : Wind Farm near Tunstall

Cllr Helliwell passed to other members an information pack provided at the presentation in Aldbrough. The Clerk retained a copy for the records. Cllr Helliwell said that the pack outlined EnergieKontor's history and expertise but said nothing about the Monkwith site north of Tunstall.

Correspondence

ERYC – Sports Talk Magazine

The magazine from Jay Rowley (Football and Swimming Development Officer) was circulated..

John McWatt, Chair of Rimswell Parish Council

Mr McWatt had provided details of the 13 East Riding councillors on the Planning Committee that on 18th January would consider the wind-turbine applications for the sites at Tedder Hill and Sunderland Farm. He noted how few were from our area. (*Only two were from Holderness.*)

ERYC – Proposed Conservation Areas

It was reported at the last meeting that Mr C.E. Atkinson, Conservation Officer, had noted the Parish Plan proposal that parts of the parish be made Conservation areas. He intended to visit the parish. He was invited to the November Parish Council meeting but was unable to attend. He would now attend on the 8th January.

ERYC – Closure of Pasture Lane

The Clerk had written to Mr Mike Peeke explaining that the closure would cause access problems for a local farmer and seeking advice about alternative access. In his reply Mr Peeke pointed out that the proposed closure was announced in 2003 yet the only complaint so far had been from Mr Smales forwarded to him in June 2006. Keith Woodall had met Mr Smales in August 06 and Mr Smales had agreed to inform neighbours of the proposals. Mr Peeke stressed that the action had been taken on grounds of safety since people would be at risk if they used the road. Members considered this response unhelpful since it offered no advice as to alternative access to the farmland.

Cllr Grant commented that the parish council had objected when closure was first mooted and had suggested moving the road inland. This would have preserved both access and an outstanding viewpoint, since the road provided the most

scenic route in Holderness. It was agreed to send a further letter to suggest moving the road to the west.

Members noted the irony that, if the application for wind turbines at Monkwith were successful, an access road by this route would probably be approved without hesitation

ERYC : Standards Committee Meeting

Noted.

ERYC – Area Forums

Kate Bowden, Area Forum Coordinator, had written about the dates for future meetings. The next locally is on 13th February at Patrington Village Hall. Agenda items should be proposed a fortnight before the meeting. (See "Any Other Business" for a report of the first meeting.)

Proposed wind farm at Monkwith

Leaflets from Conrad Atkinson, Project Manager for EnergieKontor, were passed to members.

Humberside Police Press Release

Members noted the press release from Sgt Peter Rogers. (His advice is summarised on p. 1.)

ERYC : Register of Electors 2007

The annual update to the Register of Electors for Roos had been received. Restrictions on its use were noted.

ERYC : Local Strategic Partnership

Carl Duck, Manager, had sent a copy of the East Riding Community Plan 2006-2016. It was agreed that it should be read in conjunction with the Parish Plan as it highlights priorities and aims for the next ten years. The Clerk said that the Parish Plan committee might like a copy.

ERYC : Parish / Town Council Precepts

The process of setting the Council Tax for 2007/8 is nearly complete. The deadline for return of the precept form is 17th January 2007. Cllr Winter said he would itemise some budget items in his Treasurer's report.

ERYC : Aldbrough Road – 40mph speed limit order

Members had no objection to the order.

Planning

Decisions

1 Pinfold Cottage

Erection of a detached dwelling (amended scheme). Consent was granted subject to the usual conditions.

The Elms, Quaker Road, Oustwick (Mr P Kitchen)

Continued use of redundant agricultural buildings for agricultural engineering business.

Members noted that this application has been granted provided the existing parking, loading, off-loading and manoeuvring facilities were retained and not used for any other purpose.

Appeal

Erection of a bungalow west of East View South End (Mr & Mrs Herschell-Smith)

The application was rejected on the grounds that it would be an unsuitable backfill development and adversely affect the surrounding residential area. It was considered that the relationship of the site to neighbouring properties and its

proximity to boundaries would cause overshadowing. The applicants were taking the matter to appeal.

New applications

Members recommended approval for the following.

Mount Farm, Tower Rd, Hilston. (Mr & Mrs Westmorland)

Change of use and alterations to agricultural Buildings for use as a Triple Garage and erection of a first-floor extension over existing outbuildings at the side.

Mayfield Farm, Tower Road, Hilston (Mr & Mrs Cox)

Erection of a first-floor extension over existing outbuildings at side.

Westhill Farm, Main Street, Tunstall (Mr & Mrs Grassby)

Detached garage with new vehicular access.

Town Farm, Main Street Tunstall (Mr D.Grayson)

Erection of a general-purpose agricultural building.

Mount Farm, Hilston (Mr & Mrs P. Westmorland)

Alteration to agricultural building to provide garage (amended plan) at Mount Farm, Hilston.

Implementation of the Parish Plan

Website

Cllr Helliwell reported that training for persons nominated to input data would be given during the day. This would be a problem for one of the three but it might be possible to overcome it.

The application form offered a list of topics that could be included, virtually all of which would be appropriate for Roos Parish. There were also two images to be included and a choice of colours to be made. Cllr Helliwell agreed to complete the form assisted by other members of the Parish Plan Committee.

Budget to implement the Action Plan

Cllr Winter had prepared a draft parish precept based on a budget of costs to be covered next year.

2006 -2007			
<u>Income</u>	£	<u>Expenditure</u>	£
Balance 11.12.06	2284.76		
Estimated 31.3.07	50.00	Estimated 31.3.07	700.00
		Estimated balance c.fwd on 31.3.07	1634.76
2007 - 2008			
<u>Income</u>	£	<u>Expenditure</u>	£
Bought forward	1634.76		
Garden rents	25.00	General expenses	2000.00
Wayleave payment	30.00	Election expenses	800.00
VAT refund	??	Parish Plan expenses	200.00
<u>Suggested precept</u>	<u>3000.00</u>		
		Estimated balance c.fwd on 31.3.08	1689.76
Totals :	4689.76		4689.76

Cllr Helliwell said that some items in the Action Plan would cost very little but others would be quite expensive. The latter (e.g. tree planting) could be phased over a number of years. Only postage need be spent on some items, e.g. seeking advice about the legality of placing boulders to protect grass verges and about avoiding damage to grass verges during grass-cutting but it would be expensive to provide more litter bins and a bench seat on Main Street, Roos (a project that members had temporarily shelved).

Cllr Helliwell added that he did not wish this year to quibble over the £200 that Cllr Winter had proposed to pay for implementation of the Action Plan but doubted whether it would be sufficient to achieve much.

Cllr Grant asked Cllr Helliwell for specific likely costs. Cllr Helliwell said that the parish council had adopted the Parish Plan and it was the responsibility of all members to budget for its implementation.

Cllr Grant proposed the precept of £3,000 be set. Agreed.

Treasurer's Report

Way leave payment received : £26.18

Members approved payment of the following.

	£
Clerk's Salary and expenses	285.18
Advertisement for Parish Clerk	31.02
Avondale (for Parish Paths work)	60.00

Any Other Business

Area Forum Report

Cllr Craggs reported on the meeting on 14th November chaired by ERYC Councillor Richard Stead.

In order to allow for relevant officers to arrange to attend, requests for items to be on the Agenda required fourteen days' notice. (It was spelt out what topics could not be on the Agenda.) Since not all town and parish councils were represented, Minutes would be circulated.

Pete Ashcroft (Spatial Planning Manager) spoke about Strategic Planning, including the Community Plan, the Local Development Framework and Parish Plans.

Kate Bowden (Area Forums Co-ordinator) spoke on the Parish Charter.

Alan Menzies (Assistant Chief Executive, Economic Development) spoke about funding opportunities for local councils.

There was an opportunity to put questions to each of the speakers but neither East Riding ward councillors nor local councils had submitted Agenda items in advance.

Street names and signage

Cllr Dodson was concerned that strangers to were not helped by street signs.

He said that on the northern approach via Rectory Road the Lamb Lane street name was out of sight. Perhaps a sign was needed on both sides of the entry. It was noted that signs are usually placed on only one side.

He also said that, as had been discussed before, Hilston Road was formerly Furze Road. Drivers of emergency vehicles had been confused when Ordnance Survey maps and Satellite Navigation systems, which still used the old name. It was agreed to write to ERYC to see if the sign could show both names.

Cllr Craggs said that the sign to Tunstall at Southfield Lane had been knocked down. The Clerk would report it.

Crossroads

Cllr Dodson noted that the tree planting has been completed at the newly staggered junction. He suggested a letter of thanks to ERYC for a job well done. Agreed.

The meeting closed at 9.15

Public Session

Roos Parish Plan

Distribution and Costs

Mr Willis Ainley said that the Parish Plan has been put on to CD. The costs have so far been met by the volunteers on the committee. Copies have been sent to the Countryside Commission and Julia Holmes at ERYC.

Ownership of the plan

Mr Ainley said that it was often forgotten that the Parish Plan belongs to the parish council. The Action Plan within it lists measures that residents wish to see implemented. He appreciated there had not been much time to cost each individual item but would like the Parish Council budget to include more specific details of likely costs.

Both the Roos Village Design Statement and the Roos Village Plan flowed from government initiatives. There was a new framework for the roles and responsibilities of parish councils. A document explaining these could be found on the website of the National Association of Local Councils (NALC).

(Useful websites www.nalc.gov.uk www.defra.gov.uk)

Training for Chairs and Vice chairs of Local Councils

Miss Jackie Cracknell drew attention to a training course currently being provided in Hedon on the role of chairs and vice-chairs of parish councils.

The parish precept

Budget Inadequacy

Miss Cracknell noted that over the years costs had risen but the parish precept had remained roughly the same — its relative value had declined. She doubted whether Cllr Winter's budget of £200 for Parish Plan expenses would provide the items discussed : a bus shelter, a bench seat and litter bins. She thought the total cost would be well over £1000. Cllr Winter commented that the bus shelter proposal had been abandoned and that the bench had been deemed too expensive and was on hold. Although no specific amounts had been included the budget could stand some of this expense

Mr David Kirk said that the parish precept was a very small element in the overall Council Tax since it cost the average elector only 3p per day. Compared to a person's other daily expenditure this was trivial. It would not be much greater if the precept included proper funding for the Action Plan. If they understood this, people would not mind paying more to achieve the aims of the Plan.

Mr Kirk thought the budget should have included provision of a computer for the Parish Clerk. Currently the Clerk used her own machine but records would be better kept on a council-owned machine that went with the job. The Parish Plan had enhanced the reputation of Roos Parish Council but it needed to be supported by action. The council should move into the 21st Century. Cllr Grant disagreed. There was no need for a computer.

Thanks to the Parish Clerk

As this was Lesley Dearing's last meeting as Parish Clerk. Cllr Winter expressed his very warm thanks for her excellent work during the last eighteen months. All the other members heartily concurred.

East Riding of Yorkshire Council

Annual Chairman's Awards

The Council presents awards to individuals, companies or organisations in recognition of their achievements towards enhancing the well-being of the area in which they work or live. The awards are in four groups.

1. Enhancing the built heritage of the East Riding

Two categories of award. For enhancing :

- Single new dwellings, conversions and minor works.
- Commercial development and major schemes.

2. Enhancing the economy of the East Riding

Three categories of award.

- Employees under 50.
- Employees over 51.
- Young entrepreneur.

3. Enhancing the environment of the East Riding

Two categories of award

- Environmental projects.
- Tidy East Riding.

4. Enhancing the social well-being of the East Riding

Two categories of award.

- For individuals.
- For groups.

The nomination forms explain the criteria in detail.

Chairman's Commendations

The Commendations for Excellent Service highlight staff whose actions have exceeded expectations and helped deliver excellent service. It is hoped that their recognition will inspire colleagues to keep pushing forward the boundaries of service delivery.

Commendations are not awarded to staff who have merely done their job but to persons who have gone out of their way to help colleagues or performed heroically to solve a problem.

They may also recognise excellence in the private life of employees, e.g. by representing their country at sport or carrying out outstanding charity work or saving a life.

Procedures for Awards and Commendations

Nomination forms

Ring Sarah Asquith on 01482 393260

Deadline

Nominations must be received by 31st January 2007.

Judging Panel for Chairman's Awards

The Panel will meet during February and March.

Awards Ceremony

The top three nominees in each category will be invited to the Awards Ceremony on Tuesday 15th May 2007 when the winner will be announced.

Money 4 what U want 2 do

YOF & YCF

The Government has made available an amount of money for young people to use, to improve opportunities in their area, in terms of things to do and places to go.

They are the **Youth Opportunity Fund (YOF)** and the **The Youth Capital Fund (YCF)**

The YOF could be used for employing coaches, booking transport, paying entrance fees, booking halls for activities, etc.

The YCF could be used for buying kit, building youth shelters or buying IT equipment, etc.

Who can apply?

Any group of young people in the East Riding who have a good idea for a project which will benefit them and other young people in their community.

How?

Get more information and an application form :

Megan Price (YOF/YCF), ERYC Youth Service,
Room AF28, County Hall, Beverley, HU17 9BA.

Use email : megan.price@eastriding.gov.uk

Or download from :

www.eastriding.gov.uk/education/youth/youthopp.html

Christmas Shop : 25th November

The Annual Christmas Shop in the Roos Memorial Institute on 25th November was an outstanding success. It was attended by throngs of people and the splendid total of £900 was raised for the three good causes whose supporters had worked so hard in preparation for the day.

The funds have been shared equally among The Friends of Roos Church, The Friends of Roos School and The Memorial Institute itself.

The Friends of Roos Church

Tim Newton reports that further donations have been sent or promised to help pay for the essential repairs to the church roof. A Hull couple have given £500 and a charity has allocated £1,000 for the cause. Such goodwill and generosity are most gratifying.

Yet problems loom. The architect would like work to start in February, even though the Fund has not reached its target. But costs are rising all the time. If the work is delayed too long the fear is that the inflating cost will increasingly outstrip the fund-raising.

Roos Parish Council

Monday 8th January 2007

7.30 in The Memorial Institute

Members of the public always welcome

Roos WI

A glass of wine welcomed members and friends as they arrived for the meeting on 6th December.

At the start of the meeting the President, Mrs H.Boynton, read a thank-you card from Mrs M.Stephenson for the flowers we sent her.

The Committee positions were read out.

Mrs M.Winter has won the Taylors Tea Competition. Congratulations!

Our January feature will be the Pie and Pea Supper, followed on 21st February by the Annual Dinner and on 28th March by a visit to the New Theatre.

The winners of the monthly competitions and flower of the month were Mrs H.Armstrong and Mrs Jennifer Grant. A gift voucher and salver were presented.

Mrs Pittock showed how to make a festive table decoration, a demonstration we all enjoyed.

Then followed games of Beetle, causing much fun and laughter, and a buffet supper served by the Committee.

Mrs V.Adams judged the competitions for a knitted square (won by Mrs P.Alexander) and Flower of the Month (Mrs C.Charlesworth).

We then had a splendid raffle of parcels and Mrs Pittock's table decoration.

Mrs Boynton closed the meeting with good wishes to everyone for a very happy Christmas.

Coming events

January

- 3 Roos WI. Memorial Institute. 7.30. Pie and Pea Supper. Quiz.
- 5 Deadline for Rooster material
- 8 Roos Parish Council. Memorial Institute. 7.30.

February

- 7 Roos WI. Memorial Institute. 7.30. Hearing dogs for the deaf.
- 12 Roos Parish Council. Memorial Institute. 7.30.

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Anon-9 (via Store) Miss M.M.T.Littler
Anon-10 (via Store) (including donation for 2007)
Mr & Mrs E.H.Tillbrook

152 households (29% of those that receive copies) have this year donated £751.00.

2007

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Ken Cross, 1 Hinch Garth, Roos, HU12 0HR.

Cheques should be payable to : The Rooster Association

Replacement editor still needed

Offers, please, to Committee Chairman Tim Newton at The Old School, Pilmar Lane. Phone 671659.

Rooster Association AGM

The Annual General Meeting will be held at The Black Horse, Roos, on Tuesday 22nd February 2007. All who have made donations in 2006 are deemed to be members of the Association and are cordially invited to attend. A reminder will appear in the next two issues.

Thanks from us all

Volunteers deliver "The Rooster" to every house in the parish. Most have done so every month. Their service to our community is very much appreciated.

Roos

Caroline Blyth
Alan Bowden
Heather Boynton
Helen Cowell
Lesley Coyne
Sandra Crombie
Alec & Margaret
Dodson

Tunstall

David Craggs
Brian Garbutt (& others)

Hilston

Sue Jones

Owstwick

Renee Cook

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Friday 5th January

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