



Rooster

The Roos Parish Newsletter

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Rooster report

For this summer edition we are printing a couple of articles we have had on our file for some time. Calls for recollections of Hunters Bridge across Owstwick Drain on the parish path between Roos and Burton Pidsea and reports of progress (such as it is) on sea water flood protection for Tunstall Drain at Sand le Mere have prompted their publication.



There were settlements in Holderness long before the Romans came. Friesian place-names survive from that time, including that of Roos itself: it is a Friesian word meaning 'watery land'. The carrs of low-lying land must often have been water-logged before the complex system of drainage ditches was dug.

The local landscape and topography is often taken for granted - it evolves so slowly over long periods of time although coastal erosion is often very sudden, dramatic and very evident. Less obvious but equally relentless is the deposit of silt along the Humber Estuary. Now, for example, the outfall of the drain at Stoney Creek is quite a distance from the main flow of water along

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Ditches & Drains



Recent Parish Council Meetings have sought to address a number of issues relating to flood prevention measures throughout the parish.

Roos Beck.

Roos Parish Council recently received a copy of a letter from ERYC addressed to riparian landowners bordering "Southend Drain Roos" in which they were reminded of their responsibilities in maintaining Roos Beck. Although ERYC have drawn particular attention to the lower parts of Roos Beck, the responsibilities apply to all those owning land alongside the entire length of the beck and other watercourses within the parish.

To quote from the letter:

What is a Riparian Landowner?

- A person or body owning property or land adjacent to a watercourse is a riparian owner.
- As a riparian landowner you have certain rights and responsibilities relating to the watercourses adjacent or within your property.

- Presumed to own land up to the centre of the watercourse unless it is known to be owned by a third party.
- Has the right to receive the flow of water in its natural state, without undue interference in quantity or quality.
- Has the right to protect your property from flooding, and land from erosion.
- Irrespective of the source, keep the bed and banks clear of:
 - Natural vegetation
 - Silt
 - Waste and debris (including garden waste/grass clippings)
- Pass on flow without obstruction, pollution or diversion affecting the rights of others.

For further information or advice please contact; East Riding Flood & Coastal Erosion Risk management team.

Roos Beck Lamb Lane South.

Councillors and Officers of ERYC

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Ditches & Drains continued

recently inspected the outfall of the piped section of the beck running under Lamb Lane. It was confirmed that the final length of pipe had cracked and dropped thereby lowering its level and reducing its capacity. The site is being monitored. Of course the ideal solution would be to replace the broken section, restore the pipe to its correct level and install a head wall and supporting sill. This would be followed by the removal of years of accumulated silt and rubbish that has built up on the brick lining reported to form the bed of the beck. This solution may well occur sometime in the future. Members of the Council routinely walk the length of the Roos Beck to monitor its condition.

Foul water drains in Main Street.

An examination has established that flow is being restricted by an accumulation of

congealed fat and grease. Steps are in hand to resolve the problem.

Tunstall Drain.

A representative of ERYC provided Roos Parish Council with a report on work in progress to install a sea water flood protection barrier close to Sand le Mere, ERYC Ward Councillor Hodgson, Chairman of Rimswell Parish Council and a representative of Keyingham Level Drainage Board were also present.

Councillors were somewhat surprised to learn that other options were now being considered and whilst most of the necessary technical aspects of the overall project were well advanced, negotiations to secure the support and cooperation of landowners affected by the proposed works is proving slow. Work is not expected to commence until 2013.

Rooster report continued



the Humber. Many of the tidal creeks which reached inland from the estuary have long become impassable for water transport. In the distant past Hedon was of more importance as a commercial port than Hull. Many of the dykes and drains which now drain the landscape were constructed to reclaim or improve land for food production.

These natural processes have often covered up the activities of people who previously inhabited the area. It is interesting for us to speculate upon the activities and lifestyle of people living over 1300 years ago in the 6th and 7th Century? The articles about the Roos Carr images and the Holderness Cross provide just a glimpse of what might have been going on locally in those times.

Reading them may lead one to wonder about what still remains buried and hidden from view waiting to be revealed by the random curl of earth rolling off the end of a plough share or the bleep of a metal detector. Who knows what

might be revealed as a result of the deep excavations being necessary to prepare the substantial foundations on which to build the ever increasing number of wind turbines being constructed on the soft alluvial silts which cover so much of this area.

As night follows day, attempts to prevent the North Sea eroding the coastline at Sand le Mere or to stop the deposits of silt along the Humber will be as effectual as it was for King Canute to try to stop the tide!



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Scarecrow route maps will be available from 1pm onwards on Sunday afternoon, starting and finishing at Roos Memorial Institute. At the end of the trail there will be a BBQ & refreshments available.

Completed trails will automatically be entered into the prize draw to win a fantastic hamper, and as is customary we will be asking you to vote for your favourite scarecrow!

For any other information regarding this event please contact the school directly, or any of the FORS members.

Ann Wall - 07765 006475
or Liza Buttle - 07946 458956

Apples Galore

Alan Lavender



"Seeing all the apples ripening on the trees in the village, I was reminded of the large orchards at Chequers. Some of the trees were very old varieties and produced apples I had not seen before. Various Prime Ministers and their guests would often walk through the grounds and invariably return with a basket of the many different types of ripening apples. It was always a challenge to use as many of them as possible and the kitchen would make chutneys, jams, and even bottle and freeze the apples to ensure they were not wasted. Here are two recipes that were popular and enjoyed by all, especially Margaret Thatcher who loved all our soups and hot pastries. Cherie Blair always took supplies of soup back to London after their week end visits to Chequers for use during the following week".

Parsnip and Apple soup

To make 4 portions

100gm sliced leek, onion, celery

200gm peeled and chopped parsnip

100gm chopped apple

1 litre vegetable or chicken stock

1 teaspoon tikka paste

Salt and pepper

Large sprig of coriander

1 teaspoon olive oil

Sweat all the vegetables in the olive oil

with the tikka paste

Add the stock and apple, season and simmer until all the vegetables are cooked

Pass through a sieve or liquidise until smooth

Check seasoning and serve with the chopped coriander

Add a little cream or crème fraiche for a richer taste

Apple Strudel

This recipe will make 2 large strudels which when cooked and cool may be frozen

Pastry

750gm plain flour

3 eggs

75gm butter

255ml warm water

Mix all the ingredients into a smooth dough and rest for at least 1 hour

Filling

2kg chopped apples (of your choice)

125gm fresh breadcrumbs

50gm butter

250gm soft brown sugar

250gm sultanas

125gm nibbed almonds

125gm ground almonds

Zest and juice of 2 lemons

Mixed spice to taste

1 teaspoon of cinnamon

Melt the butter and gently fry the breadcrumbs till golden brown

Mix with all the other ingredients being careful not to over mix

Berries (such as blackberries) can be added to give variety to the strudel

Divide the dough in 2 and roll out into a very thin rectangle

Cover the dough with half the fruit mix and carefully roll up like a Swiss roll with the join underneath when it is transferred to a greased baking sheet

Bake in hot oven 180c until golden brown, sprinkle with icing sugar and serve either hot or cold



Gardening Again!



Gardens often look a little sad this month and you might be tempted to sit back and say 'well, that's it for this year!' However, with a little time spent cutting back spent flowers and trimming the lawn edges one can still enjoy the garden and some plants such as non-stop begonias will still flower until the first frosts.

Jobs to be done this month:

Divide herbaceous perennials and re-plant in other locations and tidy up flower beds. Leave some seed-heads on plants for birds and as cover for wildlife during the winter. Trim hedges as soon as growth slows to keep them compact and tidy. Clean out the cold frame and greenhouse ready for over-wintering plants and begin to prepare the garden furniture for winter storage by making sure wooden furniture is dry before putting away until the spring when it can be given a coat of protective oil or varnish.

The catalogues will be soon be coming through the letterbox and it will be a pleasure to select spring flowering bulbs and to order new bare-root roses ready for autumn planting.

Enjoy

Rooster Association

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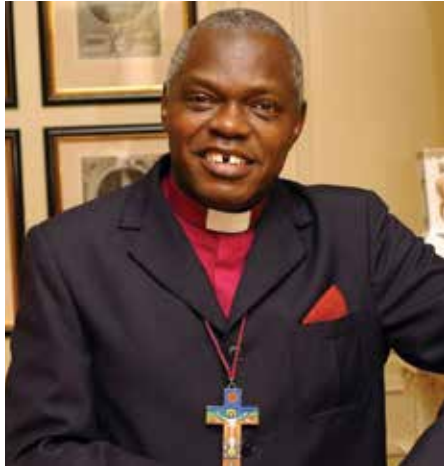
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..... **DEDICATION of BELLS**

✧ *All Saints Church Roos* ✧



In years to come 2012 may well be recalled as being a very special year in the history of Roos. Of course many will remember it as the year of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and one in which pupils of Roos School reached the last 16 finalists in the nation wide, Cook for the Queen competition for primary schools. But it will also be remembered as being the year in which The Most Reverend & Right Honourable Dr. John Sentamu, Archbishop of York conducted a service of blessing for the new treble bell recently installed in All Saints Church.

It seemed an almost impossible dream when about two years ago Roos and District Bell Ringers set out to raise funds to restore the ring of five at All Saints, Roos, and to commission the casting and installation of a new additional bell. But in just over a year or so, they raised around £47,000 to realise that dream. That in itself is a quite remarkable and exceptional achievement, for a small group of people living in this rural area in Holderness. It is an achievement to which the whole community has lent their support through their generous donations and sponsorships. Many have given their professional services free of charge in their enthusiastic support for the challenge. Photographs and reports of their fundraising activities have been published regularly in the Rooster and elsewhere.

Now it is the time for the whole community to come together to celebrate and join in - The Service of Dedication of the Bells at 2pm on September 23rd.

At the start of the service the original 5 bells will be rung and during the service itself the new treble bell will join in so that all six bells will be rung together. Afterwards bell ringers who have

travelled from far and wide to be present for the occasion will take their turn to ring a change or two.

Invitation

The Churchwardens and Roos Parochial Church Council extend a warm invitation to all parishioners particularly those who have supported the Roos Bell Appeal, to attend the service of celebration and dedication to be held on
Sunday September 23rd at 2pm.

**The Dedication of the Bells
at All Saints Church Roos**

conducted by

**The Most Reverend & Right Honourable
Dr. John Sentamu,
Archbishop of York.**

Following the service, conversation and conviviality will follow with afternoon tea served in the Memorial Institute.

We are the champions



From L to R - Gill Dickinson, Helen Audley, Diane Lavender, Susan Fenner, Gary Audley and Keith Fenner

Two weeks ago the Roos Bell Ringers entered the Beverley and District Ringing Society Striking Competition held at Burstwick. It was the first time a band from Roos has entered the competition which involves ringing a set 'test' piece. The winning team is the one who is adjudicated to have rung the test piece most consistently, evenly, and with the least number of mistakes.

Helen Audley is delighted, she says, "We were awarded the Albert Sellers Memorial Cup for coming first overall, and because one of our ringers is classed as a novice, we were also awarded the Derek Watson Memorial Trophy, given to the highest placed novice band. It is the first time both awards have been made to the same band".

A message from Canon Cope

I was walking up quickly behind a young lad the other day, and I was suddenly reminded of David Cameron – an odd thing to happen! But he did once say that we should 'hug a hoodie'. This lad was wearing a hoodie, and therefore had no clue that I was coming up behind him, so God only knows what he might have done had I actually gone up and hugged him from behind!

But why was he hiding his face? The only reasons at all I could ever think of were either that he was ashamed of it, or wanted to keep it hidden. (Perhaps he might also have had fashion issues, but don't get me started on that...)

At the beginning of the Bible we read that 'God created man in his own image. In the image of God he created him. Male and female he created them. And God blessed them.' This means that you and I and everyone else are made by God to be that little bit like him. So we should be proud of who we are and where we're from (yes, and Yorkshire as well!), and not have to hide or change things that we can't change or shouldn't need to hide. We are made by and like God – let's stand, heads held high, and be seen for who and what we are.

Revd Canon Stephen Cope

P.S. Many thanks for the condolences on the sudden death of my mother. Somewhat appropriate after last month's Rooster comment, perhaps...

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Memories of Hunters Bridge



Little by little snippets of information and evidence are coming together to strengthen the case for ERYC to add the full length of the parish path linking Rectory Road, Roos and Burton Pidsea to their Definitive Map and Statement. This is the official ERYC register of all footpaths, bridleways, restricted by-ways and by-ways open to all traffic as required by The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

The illustration of a map previously held by Holderness Borough Council clearly shows the earlier existence of Hunters Bridge!

It will be noticed that alongside Owstwick Drain is marked 'Carved remains of ancient boat found AD 1836'. It is likely that this refers to the internationally acclaimed and mysterious Roos Carr Images. See page 9.

Roos Parish Council in partnership with local walkers has been working with the ERYC for almost two years to add a "lost" footpath to the Definitive Map and Statement.

Providing sufficient evidence is obtained the footpath will be officially recognised and will re-open a direct route to Burton Pidsea starting at Cote Farm on Rectory Road, Roos. It will link up with Burton Pidsea Parish Path No 8.

However, there is one final hurdle to cross, Owstwick Drain! At one time, "Hunters Bridge" crossed the drain but in the distant past it was burned down and never replaced.

Although the footpath and bridge is marked on the Ordnance Survey Maps for the period 1929 to 1951, additional evidence is still required. If any resident has any information or has recollections of a bridge being located there, please contact Cllr. Alec Dodson or any Roos Parish Councillor.

Further information is contained in the ERYC Local Paths Partnership - Information Manual, which can be accessed on the ERYC website.

The Holderness Cross



In around 1968 a gleam of gold on the floor of the stack-yard at Gray's Garth Farm in Burton Pidsea caught the eye of the farmer. It had been revealed by the heavy overnight rain. Curious, he picked it up and later showed it to a friend who was a local knowledgeable historian. They tried to identify the piece without success. It was put in a matchbox and lay forgotten at

the back of a drawer for around thirty years!

Eventually, in 1998, the find was taken by the farmer's granddaughter to an open Finds Day at the Hull and East Riding Museum, where the Keeper of Archaeology, had no difficulty in identifying it as an important 7th-century piece, a very rare Anglo-Saxon pectoral cross, set with garnets carefully cut to fit the gold frames.

The Keeper brought the find to the attention of the Coroner's Office. Although the Treasure Act (1996) had been recently introduced, the Coroner ruled that, in view of the date of its initial discovery, the cross should be the subject of an inquest under the terms of the Treasure Trove procedure. At the subsequent inquest held in Hull in April 1999, the jury found that the object was not Treasure Trove. (This was because

there was no evidence to suggest that the cross had been buried with the intention of recovering it at a later date.)

The find was returned to the owner, who later sent it for auction at Bonham's in Knightsbridge. It was Lot No 235 of the auction held in October 1999. The internationally famous Ashmolean Museum in Oxford made an unsuccessful bid to purchase it. However, they later made contact with the new owner and, with the aid of a generous £50,000 grant-in-aid from the National Art Collections Fund, secured it to add to one of the oldest and most important collections of Anglo-Saxon jewellery in the country. It is linked with some of the very few rare pieces found elsewhere. The only other comparable crosses are in the collections of the British Museum, Durham cathedral and the Ashmolean itself.



It was an archaeological find of great importance. It is significant because at around this time in the 7th Century, Christianity was only just being introduced to the Anglo-Saxons and the cross probably belonged to one of the very first Christians of Northern England.

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	9.30	Garton	Mattins
	10.30	Roos	Holy Communion
	15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion
Sept 23	9.30	Roos	Holy Communion (said)
	14.00	Roos	Service of dedication of the new bell, with the Archbishop of York
Sept 30	18.30	Garton	Evensong
	11.00	Garton	Joint service of Holy Communion for the group of parishes to celebrate the Patronal Festival of St Michael's Day (29th)
Oct 7	8.30	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Holy Communion
	10.30	Roos	Morning Worship
	19.30	Garton	Harvest Festival
Oct 12 (Friday)			
Oct 14	9.30	Roos	Holy Communion & Holy Baptism
Oct 21	9.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Mattins
	10.30	Roos	Holy Communion
	15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion
October 26 (Friday)	18.30	Tunstall	Harvest Festival
Oct 28	9.30	Roos	Holy Communion
	15.00	Garton	Evensong (winter time change)

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'It might as well be September...'

Birding with Flowers



September is probably the best month of all to visit Spurn Point, especially after a run of easterly winds. These conditions will force some birds migrating along the eastern coast off the North Sea towards our shores. My classes will be visiting Spurn at this time of year when we are most likely to see the greatest variety of species on migration.



Many adult and immature Cuckoos have already left the UK, but in September there may still be a few lingering on. We will make a determined effort to track some of them at Spurn, particularly as Cuckoos are becoming harder to see as each year passes and it may be that many people probably didn't manage to see or even hear one this spring.

Another bird which has been in steep decline in recent years is the Spotted Flycatcher. They were particularly difficult to find in East Yorkshire this spring. However, these are another of the so-called "common migrants" which we should be lucky enough to encounter on their leisurely southwards migration in September. The Pied Flycatcher has never been a common breeding bird in East Yorkshire during my lifetime, so Autumn is also the best time to try and locate this species in our part of the world.

The Wheatear only passes through on its way to and from its breeding areas on higher ground. These are very popular birds with participants on my courses, as like many members of the chat family, they will pose in the open giving observers plenty of time to locate and focus them in their binoculars. Wheatears arrive at Spurn on both their Spring and Autumn migration, but we are likely to see a wider range of different plumages on display at this time of year.



Another member of the chat family is the Redstart. We have a small breeding population in the very north corner of East Yorkshire, but again the coast is the best area to encounter this species in any numbers. At their breeding sites they can be fairly secretive, when they aren't feeding their young, and rather surprisingly these bright birds can be fairly difficult to see when the male is singing in a tree in full leaf. However, like Wheatears during their autumn migration they will often perch in the open.

200 years ago the Red-Backed Shrike was quite a widespread breeding bird in England & Wales, but it hasn't been a regular breeder in the UK since the final bird nested in 1988. Some Autumns there can be quite a scattering of

individuals at coastal sites, and if there are any in 2012, I will try and ensure every course participant gets to see one of these 'butcher birds'. Shrikes catch more prey than they actually need to eat, so they create a larder by impaling their victims on sharp thorns, and consume the contents later, which is why they are colloquially known as butcher birds.



Unlike the Red-Backed Shrike, its larger cousin, the Great Grey Shrike is a winter visitor, but it may arrive on these shores about the same time as the smaller bird. The individual shown had just been ringed and was being shown to the appreciative masses before it was released. This year every class member will be given the opportunity to witness a range of birds being captured, ringed and released. It is a real privilege to observe the process of ringing and to see these birds at close quarters in the hand, so a donation will be levied to help with the cost of this scientific, largely voluntary work.

For those who are unable to commit to two hours every week I am running some one-off events in September at a cost of £9.50 each:-

Spurn Migration Spectacular on 22nd, 10am or 1.30pm

Waders at Paull on 23rd, 10am or 1.30pm or slightly further afield:

Birds of North Cave Wetlands on Mon 17th, 10am or 1.30pm

Birds of Millington Pastures on Sat 15th, 10am.

Birds of Thixendale on Sat 15th, 1.30pm.

Red Kites on the Wolds on Sat 16th, 3pm.

I cannot take bookings on these events directly as they are being run as part of the Visit Hull & East Yorkshire initiative, however, you may book by calling the Robert Fuller Gallery on 01759 368 355 or by visiting his web site at www.robertfuller.com/catalog/EVENTS.html



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The Roos Carr Images

What are they?

Roos Carr Figures are wooden figures carved from Yew with removable genitalia and inset quartzite eyes.

When were they made?

They were radiocarbon dated to 606-508 BC; discovered at Roos Carr, near Withernsea, East Yorkshire.

Who made them?

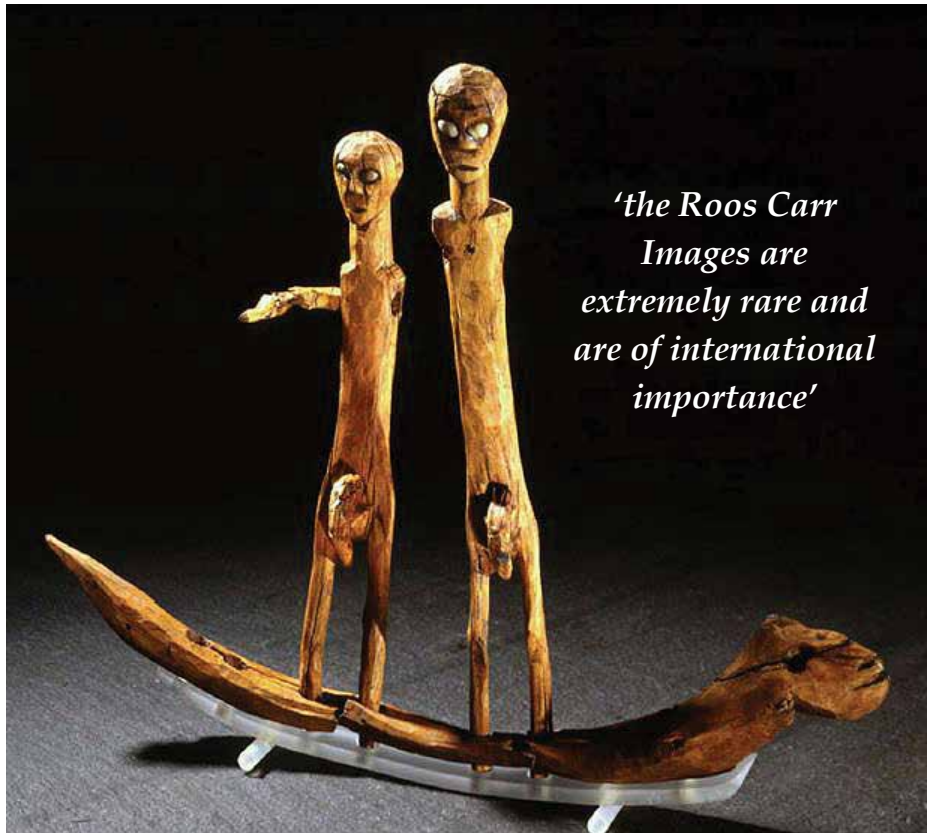
They were made by Celtic warriors.

How old are they?

The figures are 2,600 years old.

What were they used for?

They may represent votive offerings, perhaps gods or ancestor figures. The fact that they were recovered from 'a layer of blue clay' suggests that they were originally deposited in or near water. This would be in keeping with practices of depositing items in rivers and marshes.



'the Roos Carr Images are extremely rare and are of international importance'



The Roos Carrs

Although excavation work at Roos Wind Farm is well advanced, it is interesting to speculate what might still be revealed as work continues. Before the Humber Estuary deposited silt, and successive generations drained the land for agriculture, the low lying land was interspersed with tidal creeks and lakes. In 1836, at a depth of around two metres, workers excavating and clearing out a ditch were surprised when they

revealed some well preserved wooden objects now known as the Roos Carr Images. Their preservation is largely due to being buried 'a layer of blue clay' which suggests that they were originally deposited in or near water.

People have been intrigued by the figures ever since. How old are they and what were they for? They have at various times been attributed to Viking invaders and even identified as representing Noah and his family! The question of date has been resolved by radio-carbon testing and the figures are now known to be about 2,600 years old. This places them in the Late Bronze Age or Early Iron Age.

The figures, together with a further image acquired in 1902, form part of the collection of Hull City Museums. In the 19th century four of the figures were assembled and fixed into the boat, with the 'arms', shields and paddles glued or nailed on wherever they seemed to fit.

Recently, the figures were conserved using more sympathetic methods - the Victorian glue and varnish were removed and they were taken out of the boat. Close examination identified various differences between them, and it is suggested that there were originally two boats complete with crews.

Modern examination has established that the figures, which are between 35 and 41 cm tall, are carved from yew wood and have quartzite eyes. It also seems that the pieces of curved wood, previously considered to be short 'arms', fit perfectly into another hole - and were actually intended as detachable male genitalia!

Whilst the Roos Carr Images are extremely rare, and are of international importance, they are not totally unique. There are actually nine other surviving comparable figures in Britain and Ireland, ranging in date from about 2500 BC to 148 BC. They are made from a number of different woods - ash, pine, yew or oak. Some are definitely male; some, like the Roos Carr figures, have removable genitalia and so could be either male or female. Only one, in Scotland, is unambiguously female.

Modern archaeologists consider them to represent votive offerings of some kind, perhaps gods or ancestor figures but whatever their original purpose may have been, The Roos Carr figures continue to give a tantalising glimpse into history.

Perhaps another disturbance of our landscape may reveal more to intrigue us?

Parish Council Minutes are published in full on Parish Notice Boards and on the parish website – roosparish.info

The following are edited extracts from the August 2012 Meeting.

Present: Cllrs. D. Winter (Chairman), W. Ainley, A. Coupe, D. Craggs, K. Tyson and J. Ward.

Apologies: Cllrs. J. Cracknell, A. Dodson and B Smales

1. Consideration of Councillor's declaration of interests

There were no changes declared.

2. Tunstall Coastal Defence Scheme

The Chairman welcomed interested parties to the meeting together with Andy McLachlan of ERYC. He confirmed that monies had been received from the Environment Agency to enable a proposed scheme to proceed and that negotiations with landowners were being pursued. He explained that verification of the modelling of the proposed schemes was underway noting that two watercourses may require protection depending upon which of the two schemes was finally adopted. It was noted that Bridge Leisure had offered materials excavated in developing some pond areas on their site which might prove useful in the construction of the defence scheme. Mr McLachlan also confirmed that it may also be possible to show a video highlighting how the scheme would operate at a future meeting. The next progress report would be made at a meeting provisionally agreed for 10th December at 7.00pm.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 9th July 2012

These were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman subject to the deletion of item 21 with following items moving up numerically, and the deletion of the final sentence from what was initially item 22.

Matters arising from the minutes

4. Woodland adjacent to the church

Following enquiries, the Parochial Church Council stated that the woodland had been bequeathed jointly to the Parochial Church Council and York Diocesan Board by Mr Reckitt in memory of his wife. Members of the Parochial Church Council considered that it was incumbent upon them to retain ownership of the woodland and that they did not have the right to make any other arrangements with the woodland.

5. Grassed area in Pilmar Lane

It was reported that ERYC had recently cut the grass, although it had confirmed earlier that it would be unable to do so. This had prompted Roos Parish Council to obtain the services of John Chapman to undertake the work. The Chairman confirmed that he would inform ERYC that arrangements were now in place and that they should not cut the grass in future.

6. HM Queen's Diamond Jubilee

It was reported that the Chairman and Cllrs. Ainley, Coupe and Ward had recently attended the garden party at Burton Agnes Hall. The Chairman stated that he would consider how best to display the two Jubilee mugs retained to commemorate the occasion.

7. Conservation Areas

It was reported that following the meeting with Peter Hopkins, Conservation Officer of ERYC. There was debate on whether an Article 4 directive was in place throughout the East Riding or in Atwick alone as the Chairman had been informed.

It was agreed that the Clerk seek clarification.

8. ERYC Streetscene Services

It was agreed that the Chairman and Cllr. Coupe meet with ERYC on 29th August to identify areas in the parish requiring routine maintenance work. Cllr. Craggs provided details of particular areas requiring attention in Tunstall.

9. Land drainage issues

A report from ERYC following a site meeting and inspection of Roos Beck immediately south of Lamb Lane, stated that the area was in a reasonably serviceable condition. However, the situation would be monitored.

Advisory letters had been sent to landowners adjacent to the open section of the beck reminding them of their responsibilities as riparian owners. It was also reported that the ERYC had undertaken to survey the degree of fall from the outfall pipe south of Lamb Lane to the next grille downstream. It was agreed to remind ERYC of this undertaking. It was confirmed that Mr McLachlan had taken a measurement of the position of the outfall pipe as a basis for future monitoring purposes.

It was also reported that Yorkshire Water had identified a problem in a sector of its foul water drainage system which required de-silting. The proposed camera survey of its system was awaited.

The Chairman confirmed that the tree trunk removed from the waterflow of the beck had been removed entirely from the site.

10. Highway issues

It was reported that potholes on Southfield Lane had been repaired. ERYC confirmed that the footpath alongside the post office would be monitored before any decision to replace the 'no fly tipping' sign.

11. Land for allotments

Cllr. Coupe reported that the lady at North End had now informed her that she did not wish to provide some land for allotment purposes in that area.

12. Tedder Hill wind farm

The Clerk reported that Gregor Bryce of Infinis had stated there was a transportation issue to resolve. Following its resolution a newsletter would be released to the community and project manager Steven Foward would meet the Council to provide a progress report.

Correspondence

13. ERYC parish news

The latest edition was circulated.

14. Code of conduct

It was agreed to adopt the revised code of conduct adopted by ERYC on 25th July 2012. Revisions had become necessary following receipt of Regulations which more clearly defined pecuniary interests.

15. Tunstall issues

Correspondence was received from a parishioner regarding the possibility of reducing the speed limit in Southfield Lane. It also referred to an overgrown area of land and an overgrown hedge and debris in a dyke. The Chairman reported that ERYC had now attended to the overgrown land and had confirmed that the hedge and dyke had been scheduled for remedial work. It was also agreed to seek a site meeting with ERYC to discuss the possibility of introducing a 30mph speed limit on Southfield Lane.

16. Dedication of the new church bell

The Clerk reported receipt of an invitation from the Parochial Church Council for members to attend the dedication of the new bell by the Archbishop of York on 23rd September at 2pm.

Planning

17. Applications

Erection of 46m high wind turbine (36.4m to hub and 46m to blade tip) at Moat Farm, Westfield Lane, Fitting – 12/01965/PLF

It was agreed that an objection be made to the above proposal on cumulative impact grounds citing such schemes already consented, expected and refused in the area.

Erection of two storey and single storey extension to rear following demolition of existing conservatory at Dentsgarth, South End, Roos – 12/02885PLF & 12/02886/PLB

It was agreed that no objections be made to the above proposal.

Installation of overhead line land south of Glendene, Seaside Lane, Tunstall -12/03467

It was agreed that no objections be made to the above proposal.

18. Decision

Erection of two storey extension to side single storey extension linking dwelling to existing outbuilding and conversion to additional living accommodation and erection of detached garage following demolition of existing garage at 2, Hilltop Cottages, Quaker Road, Owstwick.

It was reported that ERYC had approved the above application.

19. Refresher Parish Plan

It was agreed to approve the draft conclusion and action plan prepared by the Parish Plan committee.

20. Treasurer's report

The Treasurer sought and received approval for payment of the following account:-

Audit Commission – audit of accounts 2011/12 - £144.00

Any other business

21. Tunstall issues

Cllr. Craggs commented on the possible need for a litter bin at the cliff top and also for the beach information sign to be refurbished. The Chairman agreed to take up the matter with ERYC and Cllr. Craggs agreed to contact the authority responsible for the upkeep of the information sign.

22. Telephone kiosk in Main Street

It was agreed to refer the condition of the kiosk to ERYC during the Streetscene visit.

Public session

Mr G. Baker reported that the woodland group had submitted three schemes for consideration for funding from the Roos Wind Farm tree planting fund. Reference was also made about the condition of the woodland owned by the church authorities which it was considered required attention.

Next meeting

The next meeting to be held on Monday 8th October 2012 in the Memorial Institute commencing at 7.30pm.

Saturday 1st September started off with dull weather and we weren't optimistic about a good turn-out. But the sun broke through around midday and by 2.00pm there was a sizeable queue waiting to enter the village hall. They found stalls selling plants, books, bric-a-brac, home-made cakes and buns, all generously donated by local people. There was a well stocked food hamper for the raffle and over sixty donated prizes on the tombola. To encourage people to 'linger' and chat rather than take a quick look then leave we created a cafe style area and put on cream teas which proved highly successful. As a result of the generosity of those attending, our Fayre raised a grand total of £325 which will go towards the maintenance of the village hall which, being an old WWII army hut, must be all of seventy years old. The group would like to thank all those who supported us and spent so generously - residents of Tunstall and the surrounding villages, and those from even further afield, and not forgetting those holidaying at Sand-le-Mere who always generously support our events.

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