



The Rooster

Roos Village Newsletter

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Roos Parish Council

The meeting on 10th March was attended by Cllrs Priest (Chairman), Cheeseman, Cook, Grant, Helliwell, Jackson, and Kirk.

East Riding Ward Councillor B.S. Willie was also present.

Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting on 10th February were approved. The following topics arose from the Minutes.

Trees near Aldbrough crossroad

Cllr Grant observed that some of the small trees on the approach from Aldbrough had been marked in green paint but none had yet been cut back or removed.

Ditch north of Holmleigh, Main Street

Litter in the dry ditch had not yet been removed. The Clerk was asked to write another letter to Highways.

Parish Paths

The letter had been sent thanking Dr Hersom for his survey. Cllr Winter (Vice-Chairman) has identified two properties in Beechwood Views whose fallen fences were blocking the path eastwards from the Roos Store. The Clerk agreed to write asking the householders to clear the blockages.

Millennium Marker, Sand-le-Mere

Cllr Cheeseman reported that the marker had been damaged by its fall from the cliff-top and could not be re-instated. It was suggested that Mr Tony Ellis might spare a granite block to replace it. Cllr Cheeseman undertook to enquire.

Appreciation

The Chairman said that Mrs Priest very much appreciated the Council's good wishes for her recovery from illness.

Correspondence

Notices and information received

- Training sessions on Playground Safety.
- Guidelines for Cemetery Users.

- Bogus callers (Home Office document).
- Conference on Affordable Housing (Humber & Wolds Community Council).

Pasture Lane, Tunstall

The Highways Department announced that the road north towards Hilston was to be closed owing to erosion of the cliffs. Cllr Cheeseman said that in places the cliff was now only two yards from the road.

Grass-cutting of Tunstall Green

It was agreed to accept the East Riding quotation of £72 for 17 cuts a year.

Noisy and abusive teenagers

A South End resident had written about the frequent nuisance from teenagers congregating on land belonging to Manor Farm at the eastern end of Lamb Lane.

It was reported that they drove cars rowdily on to the property and played loud music. Other practices were implied. It was said that often quite young children were also present.

Members sympathised but felt that they were powerless to take action: it was a matter for the police.

Cllr Helliwell said that the resident had approached him about the issue. Apparently the police had already been informed by others and it was hoped the Parish Council would add their own appeal. The Clerk was asked to write requesting police investigation.

It was also agreed to inform the person responsible for the property since the police might contact him to make it secure from trespass.

Roos Store

The proprietor, Mr Gavin Eastman, had written about his survey of local opinion in the hope of serving the community's wishes more effectively. Some changes – such as longer opening hours – were already in place.

It was now hoped to change the layout of the store to accommodate a wider range of goods.

Mr Eastman intended to apply for a grant from the Countryside Agency to help defray the cost. He asked the Parish Council to support the application so that he could provide a better service.

It was agreed to do so.

Roos Parish Council

Monday 14th April

7.30 in The Memorial Institute

Members of the public are always welcome.

Roos Village Design Statement

Mr W.E. Ainley, Chair of the VDS Group, had provided a copy of the printed document for each councillor. He recalled that the Parish Council had helped initiate the Village Design process and had supported it with a grant. He suggested that it would be appropriate for the Village Design Group to mark their appreciation at a meeting of the Parish Council by making a formal presentation of the document – possibly with a press photographer present – and answering questions about it.

Cllr Helliwell, a member of the VDS Group, explained that copies of the VDS were currently being circulated to every household in the village. It had been hoped that a presentation to the Parish Council might be made at the March meeting while the matter was topical. It was agreed that the presentation should take place at the April meeting – better late than never.

The Chairman commented that the Village Design Statement was the result of much hard work. It had been a very laudable enterprise.

Cllr Willie stressed its future relevance. Although the VDS could not supersede policies imposed by a higher authority – e.g. new government guidelines – it had been adopted as Supplementary Planning Guidance and its recommendations would be noted when any new developments were being planned for the village.

Planning

Mayfield Farm, Hilston (Mr Anthony Scott)

Application for full planning consent to erect a six-foot high grass bund to the rear of the property to protect fish ponds from the effect of strong winds. Members saw no

objection and supported the application.

15 Elm Garth (Julie Taylor Clark)

Application to erect a two-storey extension to the rear following demolition of an existing conservatory and construction of a dormer window to the north side of the property.

Members noted that the result would be quite a large dwelling on a rather small plot but raised no objection. The application was supported.

Notice of decision : Hilston Cottage, Hilston

The conservatory to the rear had been approved.

Any other business

Road to Owstwick

Cllr Cook reported three bad pot-holes : one at each end and one near the post-box. The Clerk was asked to pass on a request for repairs.

New road signs

Cllr Kirk had noticed a flurry of activity : new signs, posts and corner chevrons were appearing. She asked the reason. Cllr Willie said that last year the government had asked local authorities to bid for funds to improve road safety and the East Riding had done so. The cash was now being spent.

Parish land at Tunstall

The Chairman reported a visit from Mr Brian Evison who had sold his farm at Tunstall and wanted to know if a strip of land he had rented from the parish could be rented by the new owner.

Cllr Willie urged that legal advice should be sought from the Local Councils Association. It might be desirable to have the land revalued and the rent reassessed. Cllr Grant argued that the new farmer should be offered the land at a rent to be agreed with the Treasurer. This course was approved.

Parish Council Election, 1st May 2003

The Clerk provided candidate packs. (*See article overleaf.*)

Coming events

Please supply dates and details of your events.

March

- 15 Roos F.C. v Dales Tigers (Home).
- 22 Roos F.C. v Howden (Away).

April

- 2 Roos WI. Memorial Institute. 7.30. Guest Dr Neville Jones : Mud, Glorious Mud.
- 5 Horticultural Society Spring Show. Memorial Institute.
- 12 FORS Easter Magic Show. Roos School. 1.00 p.m.
- 14 Roos Parish Council. Memorial Institute. 7.30.

May

- 7 Roos WI. Memorial Institute. 7.30. Guest, Ms Angela Currie : Consumer Service.
- 12 Roos Parish Council. Memorial Institute. 7.30.

June

- 21 FORS Fun Day & Scarecrow Trail. Pet Show in morning.

July

- 5 Horticultural Society Summer Show. Burton Pidsea Memorial Hall.

48th Roos & District Horticultural Society

Spring Show

Saturday 5th April

Roos Memorial Institute : Open 2.0 p.m.

Presentation by Mrs P.Farey 3.0 p.m.

Refreshments + Raffle + Cake Stall + Bring & Buy

Adults 50p Children 20p

**Schedule of classes from Mrs J.Grant, Granleigh,
South End, Roos. (01964 - 670576)**

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Local authority elections 2003

On 1st May there will be elections both for the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and for town and parish councils. Official notices will be posted on 24th March.

East Riding of Yorkshire Council

New Ward for Roos : South-East Holderness

Roos has hitherto been in the Mid-Holderness Ward. Owing to changes in the ward boundaries Roos will now be in the South-East Holderness Ward. Three councillors are to be elected.

In addition to Withernsea, the new ward includes villages to the west such as Patrington, Ottringham and Keyingham and villages to the south as far as Sunk Island, Easington and Kilnsea.

For the East Riding election, nomination papers may be obtained from the Electoral Registration Officer, County Hall, Beverley, HU17 9BA.

Each nomination needs a proposer, a seconder and 10 other signatories. Only those on the ward electoral register may support a nomination.

Nomination papers must be submitted by 12.00 noon on 1st April - better a day or two earlier.

The Friends of Roos School

Easter Magic Show

in the school.

Saturday 12th April : 1.00 - 3.00.

Tickets from FORS members : £2.00 (including refreshments for children. Coffee & tea for adults.)

All children are invited - regardless of whether they attend the school.

Advance notice

Fun Day & Scarecrow Trail

Saturday 21st June

Pet Show in morning. Family Fun in afternoon.

Theme for Scarecrow Trail (organised by Cherie Blenkin) : **MYTHS & MAGIC.**

Request to BP Workers

BP's matched fund-raising scheme doubles the funds raised for the school. If you work at BP and live in Roos please contact Debbie Tennison on :
01964 - 670151.

Roos Parish Council

The parish includes Tunstall, Hilston and Owstwick and a number of addresses in the open country.

Nomination papers are available from the Parish Clerk :

Mrs Sandra Hardy,

1 Church Farm Cottages,

Garton. HU11 4QE. Phone : 01964 - 527669.

There are 9 places on the Roos Parish Council. If there are no more than 9 nominations there will be no election : the nominees will automatically become councillors.

That would save the Parish Council money but would be a pity. Council places should be contested. Otherwise the voters have no choice in who is to represent them and our much-famed democracy becomes a mockery.

The Parish Council normally meets once a month. It needs new blood, not least more younger people and more women.

So either Stand yourself
or Get somebody you respect to stand.

Local Elections 2003

East Riding of Yorkshire Council & Roos Parish Council

If you wish to stand for election you should
submit your nomination form well before
12.00 noon on 1st April

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Letters to the Editor

Tall trees,
Hinch Garth.

Phone : 01964 - 670406.

The Anchorage,
South End.

Dear Sir,

Road Signs

I see from the February issue of "The Rooster" that the 30 mph signs adjacent to the school are to be moved 57 metres to the north.

This means that there will be a very short distance of the main highway restricted to 40 mph – not, of course, that anyone will take any more notice of the limit than they presently do.

But surely it would be sensible – bearing in mind the twists and turns of the road just east of the Aldbrough crossroad and the houses fronting it (some of whose front doors open almost directly on to the roadway) – to change the speed restriction at that point from 40 to 30 mph and scrap the signs that it is proposed to move.

If, however, the second announcement that one is entering Roos is to be re-sited, surely it would make more sense if it (or perhaps a directional "Village Centre" sign) were to be placed immediately at the north end of Main Street, thereby saving strangers an unnecessary drive to Tunstall.

Yours faithfully,

D.Knapper.

[Both the Parish Council and the Roos Village Design Group agree that the 30 mph restriction should start at the Aldbrough crossroad but the Highways Department have different criteria. As to a sign at the north end of Main Street, the Parish Council realised that strangers often strayed off to Tunstall and some years ago did have a sign placed there to advise them : "MAIN STREET".]

Bevcott,
North End.

Dear Sir,

Keep Roos Tidy Campaign

I would like to appeal to all walkers, pet walkers and shoppers of all sorts to keep our village tidy – simply by wearing a glove and taking a carrier bag on your walks and picking up obvious rubbish on our kerbs and verges.

In one short week, at fifteen minutes a morning, I now have the major part of North End clear.

Please help to make our village cleaner and safer for us all.

M.Wright.

[Well done, Mr Wright. Many of the rest of us also clear up litter but only occasionally, not routinely as you do.]

Far more litter bins around the village would reduce the litter on the streets. The Parish Council has paid for one – just north of the Roos Store. Two arguments are usually given against providing more : that it would be expensive and that people should take their litter home.

If you think more bins are needed tell your parish councillors – and say where the bins should be sited.]

Dear Sir,

Roos Football Club

As some of you are aware, Roos Football Club has struggled over the past five seasons – not only on the pitch but off it too.

So far this season there has been a dramatic improvement : Roos has scored over 30 goals and won 3 games. In previous years the team has been known to go a full season without a victory.

For many years Stu Blenkin has run the club on his own. Recently John Ward and Andy Lockwood have assisted him. Regardless of the results and jibes the players have kept heart and carried on turning up week in and week out. So a big thank-you to Stu, John, Andy and all the other players.

Thank you also to all the people who come to support us (especially a certain group who watch our home games without fail) and to the Black Horse for all their off-the-field support.

Everyone at the club agrees that it is time to move forward and put Roos FC back on the footballing map. So people of Roos with half an hour to spare on a Saturday afternoon when the team are at home are urged to come and show their support.

The club wishes to invite both young and experienced players to training sessions. Anyone who would like to help behind the scenes is very welcome too, as we need help in every aspect of running the club.

If you fancy playing or if your playing days are over but you still miss being part of the game, here is your chance to be involved. All we ask is that you are dedicated and passionate about football.

Jonny Howden.

[Roos FC Secretary Stuart Blenkin, supports this letter and has added further details.]

The Officers of the Club are :

<u>Chairman</u>	David Winter	<u>Captain</u>	Les Sennet
<u>Secretary</u>	Stuart Blenkin	<u>Vice-Captain</u>	Jamie Swales
<u>Treasurer</u>	Mark Jenkinson		

Training sessions

Outdoor evening training will be possible "in the near future" once floodlights have been installed (paid for by Roos FC). They should be available in mid-March.

Fixture dates

Most dates cannot be given in "The Rooster" since they are usually not known a month in advance. The next two fixtures are:

March 15	Dales Tigers	H
22	Howden	A

For further information ring Stuart Blenkin on 670811 or Jonathan Howden on 670406.]

Letters to the Editor (continued)

Holly Dene,
South End.

Dear Editor,

Everest and Dove House

I am writing to ask for help. I have been asked to join a joint Royal Marines and Navy expedition to Tibet and Everest in May 2003 to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the first ascent. We plan to walk the 120 miles into the mountain across the Tibetan plateau, and although I will not climb to the top, I should reach Advanced Base Camp at about 21,500ft.

In order to help motivate my training I have decided to raise money for Dove House Hospice along the way. I am meeting the full cost of the trip, so that all money raised will go directly to the Hospice.

If anyone would like to sponsor me, they can contact me at the address above or on tel 670049, or look for sponsor forms in either of the two pubs or the village post office.

Yours in good faith,

Gerard Baker.

27 Eastfield Estate.

Dear Editor,

Roos WI

My fellow members and I wish to invite ladies in the Roos area to join us for our meetings in the Memorial Institute on the first Wednesday of each month.

We offer interesting speakers, demonstrations, slide shows – and a friendly welcome and a cup of tea. We have trips out and many activities to join in with if you would like to. We try to cover as wide a range of interests as we can and welcome new ideas.

You are most welcome to come as a guest to two meetings to see if it is for you.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 2nd April at 7.30. The guest speaker is Dr Neville Jones, whose subject will be "Mud, glorious mud". We look forward to seeing you.

Heather Boynton.

President, Roos WI.

Haverbrack,
Milnthorpe,
Cumbria.

Dear Helliwell,

The Elms

In the February issue you have a note about the front doorway at The Elms. This was brought from Hull for me by Francis Johnson, the well-known architect, who had designed for me the two wings on either side of the front of the house.

He suggested that the doorway was just right for the front of the house and when it was installed he was proved right.

As you no doubt know, Francis Johnson died recently.

Yours sincerely,

B.N.Reckitt.

This flurry of correspondence is very gratifying. It shows that some residents do read "The Rooster" and value it as a means of speaking to others in our community.

Keep the letters coming - but keep them as concise as possible. Wordy ones may be edited to shorten them.

Roos Village Design Statement

At long last the Village Design Statement is finished and copies have been distributed to every household in the village. (If any house has been missed, please ring 670291.)

Long gestation

It is six years since - in March 1997 - the Parish Council agreed to support the VDS project in principle. Since then there have been over 100 meetings, unavoidable delays, discouragements, false starts, and several drafts, checks and revisions.

In 1998 provisional officers and a committee were elected at the second of two public meetings. Later a draft constitution was agreed. But then agitation against wind turbines led to fears that residents would regard the VDS as an irrelevance – a planned wider launch was delayed.

In 1999 a "Rooster" article suggested what a VDS might look like. In July the Committee applied for a grant – but there was no reply for over six months.

The grant was offered in February 2000 and the Parish Council contributed their promised £200. The Roos VDS Association was formed with over 60 signed-up members. A Workshop of 16 volunteers surveyed the

village, making notes and taking photographs. A questionnaire was circulated. An Exhibition of materials was held. The Committee analysed the public's responses and expanded the materials assembled.

In 2001 the Committee commissioned a designer. A VDS draft was submitted to the Parish Council and to East Riding officers. Changes were made in the light of their comments. More photographs were taken and more work was done on the maps. A second draft was submitted to the East Riding, followed by further revisions.

In 2002 the VDS was approved, first by the Planning Committee and later by the East Riding Executive Committee. By the summer the designer had provided a specimen layout in colour. After discussion and proof-reading, further changes were suggested to her. Eventually the VDS went to the printer.

In 2003 successive printer's proofs were corrected and changed. Eventually the printed copies were available

and were distributed within the village. The Treasurer received the grant - and was able to pay the printer's bill.

Other copies

Copies have been supplied to the East Riding of Yorkshire Council, the Roos Parish Council and Roos School. Copies will also be provided to other schools, local libraries, to the universities in Hull and to local builders and developers.

Once final details have been tidied up the Committee will disband. What should be done with spare copies? Since the VDS was produced by local people and paid for out of public funds (including a grant from the Parish Council), the Committee decided that, with the headteacher's consent, the spares should be lodged with Roos School. They recommend that any person asking for a copy in future should be invited to make a donation to school funds - say, a minimum of £1.00.

At their March meeting the Parish Council approved this proposal and the headteacher, Mrs Farey, has also been happy to agree.

Feedback

The VDS Committee hope that their document will not only play its part as Supplementary Planning Guidance when the future of Roos is being decided but will also promote discussion among residents.

They will be pleased to receive helpful comments - critical observations as well as praise. Please send your comments initially to "The Rooster". Some of them will

be printed. Some may be passed to the Parish Council. All will be read and filed as a supplement to the Village Design Statement.

Here is the first response received by the VDS Secretary.

(Thank you, Mr Knapper. To have two letters printed in the same issue must be a record.)

Tall Trees,
1 Hinch Garth.

Dear Mr Helliwell,

My copy of the Roos Village Design Statement 2003 was delivered today and I was absolutely delighted with it.

It is the first document of its kind which I have seen for some time which is packed with common sense and sensible recommendations which take into account the views of the residents of the village.

The Committee deserves their grateful thanks and, together with the student at The University of Lincoln, congratulations on a splendid publication.

I find it regrettable that the Committee is to be disbanded. Could it not be retained as a village planning committee to ensure that its recommendations are observed?

Just one point of detail : Hinch Garth, referred to in para. 4.6.4., comprises 15, not 16, dwellings.

Yours sincerely,

D.Knapper.

[After 6 years of working together the VDS Committee are sad to disband - but they could not be a "planning committee". The Parish Council would object!]

The Rooster : January to December 2003

Over 100 donations have now been received (not all of them from current residents). The level of support for the newsletter is most gratifying. A list of recent donors is

given below. Further donations (minimum £3.00) are respectfully invited. Please remember that the bank requires any cheques to be payable to "L.Helliwell".

Grateful thanks to :

Anon - 6 (per Roos Store)	Mr & Mrs M.Cowell	Mr & Mrs C.Nicholson
Anon - 7 (per Roos Store)	Mr & Mrs G.A.Deer	Mr & Mrs C.E.Ogram
Anon - 8 (overlooked in 2002)	Mr & Mrs L.Dickinson	Mr & Mrs J.C.Priest
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ROOSTER DEADLINE

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Friday 11th April

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G.W.Wilbraham's "History of Roos"

Owing to lack of time no more of the History has been printed this month. There will be a further extract in the April issue.

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