



The Rooster

Roos Village Newsletter

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Roos Parish Council

Present at the meeting on 9th July : Councillors Cook, Cheeseman, Grant, Jackson, Kirk, Priest, D. Winter and E. Winter (Chair). The Parish Clerk was unavoidably absent but attended part of the Parish Meeting later.

Minutes

The Minutes of the June meeting were approved.

Holes in footpaths

Two holes had been reported to the Highways Department. A letter in reply stated that the hole at the junction of Hodgson Lane and Main Street related to a British Telecom inspection cover. Another hole opposite the telephone kiosk had not been found (perhaps because its location had not been clearly stated).

Development off Main Street.

There had been a site visit by East Riding councillors in relation to the application for a development with access north of Hansa House. The Parish Council had asked for permission for some of its members to be present. It appeared that the request had had no reply.

Correspondence

Housing Strategy Statement

The East Riding had sent for comment a copy of the Strategy Statement. The Chairman had read it and found it acceptable. Other members were invited to read it.

Consultation on planning applications

The East Riding were reviewing their procedures for consulting parish councils and others and invited opinions on a proforma supplied. The Chairman undertook to respond.

Accounts

Payment of £22.50 for the hire of the Memorial Institute for three meetings was approved.

Planning

East of Main Street

A letter from Mr Colin Hogg reported that, following the site visit, the Planning Committee had granted the application. Members had been sympathetic to the objection of the Parish Council that the proposed access north of Hansa House would be dangerous, especially for children on their way to school. Nevertheless, they had given consent. Mr Hogg said that they had been persuaded by the relevant officers that the development satisfied standard safety requirements as far as access was concerned. However, conditions were imposed, including the stipulation that the development should not exceed sixteen dwellings.

Councillor Grant argued that the Parish Council should protest. He proposed that a letter be sent making two points : that the Parish Council strongly objected to the decision because the access would be dangerous, especially for schoolchildren, and that the matter should be referred to the full East Riding of Yorkshire Council. The proposal was approved.

The Cottage, South End, Roos (Mr Paul Richardson)

Application to demolish some outbuildings and erect a rear extension. Members supported the application provided there were no objections from near-neighbours.

Glebe Farm, Hilston Road, Roos (Malta)

Application for a two-storey extension, a garage and a conservatory. Members saw no grounds for objection.

(The meeting closed just after 7.30. It was followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.45. See overleaf.)

Next Parish Council meeting

Monday 13th August

7.30 p.m.

Memorial Institute

Members of the public always welcome

ROOSTER DEADLINE

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Friday 10th August

to Leslie Helliwell, Canwick, Lamb Lane

Phone : 670291

Annual Parish Meeting : 9th July 2001

Four persons attended in addition to councillors. The Minutes of last year's meeting were not available.

Postal deliveries

The Chairman remembered that one topic raised in 2000 had been the irregularity of postal deliveries, which had sometimes been very late. He thought there had been an improvement - though some disagreed. It was reported that some deliveries were now being made on a bicycle as well as by van. It was agreed to seek clarification of what appeared to be a new system.

The Queen's Golden Jubilee

Mrs Shelia Tyson said that June 2002 would see the 50th anniversary of the Queen's accession. There were to be national celebrations and an extended public holiday. She asked if Roos was likely to mark the occasion.

Members recalled festivities for the Queen's Silver Jubilee. Possibilities raised included a party for school-children and an "It's a Knockout" competition. Such activities would need the active support of residents and it was agreed that their opinions should be invited.

Mr Leslie Helliwell noted that a new £5.00 coin was to be minted. If the Parish Council wanted to make another presentation to schoolchildren it might make a suitable gift. The Chairman welcomed the suggestion.

(The new coin is not in celebration of the Golden Jubilee in 2002. It will be available this year and marks the 100 years since the death of Queen Victoria in 1901. The head of the young Victoria is shown on one side and the head of our present Queen - as in 2001 - on the other.)

Neighbourhood Watch

A question was asked about the current state of the scheme. It was recalled that a questionnaire provided by P.C. Matthew Ainley had been circulated with "The Rooster" (Sept. 2000) asking residents what support they could give; responses were to be handed in at the village Post Office. The feeling was that the scheme was moribund and that an update would be welcome.

Roos churchyard

Mr Helliwell referred to the very successful Coffee Morning organised by Mrs Cherie Blenkin that had raised over £400 to help meet the costs of this year's grass-cutting. The public response showed how much local people valued the churchyard.

The Parochial Church Council faced a formidable annual cost and might eventually be unable to meet it. At such a time the Parish Council might wish to consider whether to assume the responsibility. Parish councils had powers to maintain a local cemetery or churchyard if they chose. They could not do so, of course, without the willing agreement and collaboration of the church authorities.

The Chairman referred to ways of making grass-cutting easier and therefore less expensive : kerbs on graves could be removed to allow better access for a mower; in some churchyards grazing sheep kept the grass short,

though some would disapprove of the practice.

Councillor Grant said that there was no reason why the Parish Council could not make an annual grant to the churchyard by including provision in its precept.

The Chairman pointed out that the civil parish of Roos also included churchyards at Hilston and Tunstall. If the precedent were established for Roos appeals would be made from the other villages.

Mr Helliwell said that the best solution might be to revive the Friends of God's Acre. This had been a voluntary scheme by which residents - churchgoers or not - could make donations to maintain the churchyard. This was a matter for the Parochial Church Council.

Street lighting

Councillor Grant recalled that parish meetings in the past had often discussed the desirability of street lighting. Always a large majority of those present had opposed any increase in the number of street lamps, though recently some developments (six dwellings or more) had had them installed from the outset.

It was said that even some newcomers were against street lighting : they wanted to live in a rural village and lighting destroyed its character. Leslie Helliwell reported that the Village Design team had noted what residents had thought in the past and were recommending that there should be no extension of street lighting without prior consultation of village opinion. Councillor Stewart Willie (East Riding) said that for a particular development residents could oppose street lighting on specific grounds - for example, in a Conservation Area.

Development off Main Street

Councillor Willie had been unable to attend the Parish Council meeting. When informed of the objection to the decision over the development with access near Hansa House he said that, much as he sympathised, a letter of objection would be pointless. The matter had been in the hands of the District Planning Committee. It was their responsibility. It could not be referred to the full Council.

As a member of the Planning Committee he had argued strongly in support of the Parish Council view, as had a number of other councillors. Nevertheless, on a vote the application had been approved. This was the democratic procedure and the decision could not be overturned.

Mr Helliwell referred to the right of appeal. At present an unsuccessful applicant had a right of appeal to the Secretary of State but objectors had no right to appeal against a decision. He understood that this might be changed and asked what the current situation was.

Councillor Willie himself thought the right of appeal should be extended to objectors as did many others - of all political persuasions, since this was not a party matter. There was a national movement to achieve it but an early change in the law was unlikely.

Summer Fayre undampened



16th June. A grey dawn with low cloud and drizzle, a dismal outlook for the Roos School Summer Fayre.

Yet already - in Main Street, Lamb Lane, Rectory Road and Hodgson Lane - the scarecrows were all on station.

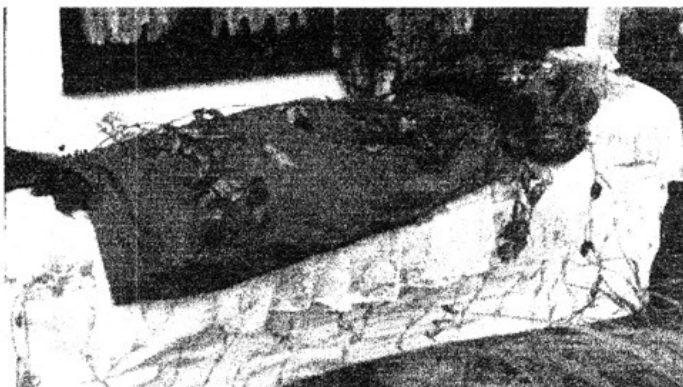
And throughout the morning family groups sauntered about in the rain admiring them, remarkably cheerful in spite of the weather, exchanging greetings and chat in convivial huddles.

Seldom do Roos people promenade the village in such numbers. Quite continental.



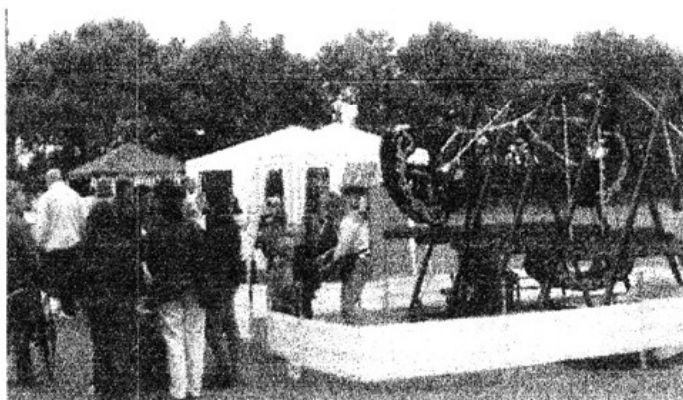
These photographs can't do justice to the colour and scale of the displays and the work that went into them.

The competition winner was Karen Grant. Sadly, her Old Woman who lived in a Shoe really did have too many children. Too many for a good picture - and too small, each with the face of a child from the school. Amazing.



(Sleeping Beauty - not the Old Woman, worn out with too much child-bearing.)

This was just the start. The Pet Show was a great success. In the afternoon the swings and bouncy castle were popular as ever, though the grass was too wet for some outdoor events. Inside, the school was crowded with supporters jostling to patronise the various stalls.



The Friends of Roos School are reported to have raised well over £1200. Well done, Committee! - and all who supported the Fayre.

In your opinion

At the Parish Meeting the following questions were asked.

- **The Queen's Golden Jubilee 2002**
Should we celebrate it? If so, how?
- **Neighbourhood Watch**
Is it worthwhile in Roos? (Will you support it?)
- **Keeping the Churchyard tidy**
How should the cost be met?
- **Street lighting**
Do you favour more street lighting - or less?

What do you think? - Either write a letter to "The Rooster" or contact one of your parish councillors. They are :

- Mike Cheeseman Northlands, Tunstall Road : 670282
- Ken Cook Freshlands, Owstwick : 670376
- Ken Grant Elm Farm, Rectory Road : 670233
- Chris Jackson Pasture Lane, Tunstall :
- Barbara Kirk The Bungalow, Main Street : 670501
- James Priest 44 Pilmar Lane : 670410
- John Quarmby Manor View, Tunstall : 670426
- David Winter 3 Chestnut Garth : 670234
- "Ted" Winter 3 Chestnut Garth : 670234

The History of Roos—26

The Farms of Roos—3

Mr Wilbraham's account of these and later farms is in note form and often hard to interpret. When in doubt I have not altered the original wording. This is by way of apology for obscurity in some parts below. L.H.

Clappison's Farm

This comprised the A.E. of	2. 2. 10
and in the Commons was awarded	7. 0. 8
From that to the new Owstwick Road and beyond that to the Owstwick boundary	25. 0. 4

Making altogether	34. 2. 22
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Until recently this farm had been in the Clappison family for many years before the enclosures.

Ancient Enclosure No.5 was confirmed to William Clappison - 2.2.10 - and of the common land 30.0.12, was awarded of which a portion had been bought of William Mair, a fellow Quaker.

The old farm house and the present house across the road have already been mentioned. The Clappisons also held land at Fitling where they had lived for some years before selling up. W.H.Thompson of Roos was the last Clappison tenant.

In 1956 Harold Blenkin, owner-occupier, through illness and misfortune among his stock sold off the farm beyond the Owstwick Road to C.N.Maltas, owner of Cote Farm. This left 9.2.18 of the original farm.

Poplar Farm, North End

The original holding of Wm Foster : the three Ancient Enclosures 9, 10 and 12 (*an area, 3.3.32, probably refers to these plots*) and two plots in the Commons, both in West Field : 5.0.0. and 17.0.30, total 22.2.30.

In the 19th century the new enclosures of Stephen Ganton were bought, less four acres bought by Wm Wright, occupier of the Glebe Farm. By 1837 the total area was 46.2.0.

J.Foster succeeded William but died himself in 1830 and was followed by David, who had G.Ganton as tenant. The 1837 rates book shows the owner as David Foster and the tenant as B.Ganton.

18... (*date unclear*) Hardbattle and in 1853 bought by J. & G.Dickinson. Hardbattles followed by Trowill, father of the next tenant Robinson Newton; the owner then was the lord of the manor. Newton followed by Kennington in 1918 and soon after by Pery. The farm then changed ownership. Wright is now owner-occupier. The present house was built in the 1850s.

A later addition was made when the Dickinsons were the owners of the farm - 17 acres 0 rd 30 pers north of the Glebe and between the two roads. 72.3.19.

Which "two roads"? William Foster, had land between Hilston Road and Aldbrough Road and also between Aldbrough Road and Burton Pidsea Road (though Mr Wilbraham refers to Aldbrough Road as Owstwick Road.) In view of "north of the Glebe", presumably the land was between Aldbrough Road and Burton Pidsea Road.

Clarke's Farm or Elm Tree Cottage

The ancient enclosures were No.7 and No.8, totalling 2.1.36. John Thruston was awarded 57.0.30, totalling 59.2.26.

John died in 1792 and was followed by a man named Greaves and shortly after by a family of Tindalls - a Richard was owner-occupier in 1837 and the acreage by then was 74.2.34, an increase of 15.0.8, two plots each of 7.2.4, which had been awarded to Anthony Chambers of Ryehill and W.Hunton of Weeton, the latter having been purchased or rented by Stephen Ganton.

By 1860 the owner-occupier was William Henry Mabb, who left the farm later to John Clark, a forebear of the present owner. Later the ownership passed to the Lady of the Manor.

At the break-up of the Brown holding a further 45.0.20 up Tunstall Road was added. Albert Clark became owner, who later bought Church Farm, Hilston from the Sykeses.

Of late years four plots have been sold off for building purposes - four bungalows and a row of District Council houses. Further development on this field has been forbidden by the County Planning Committee. The owner also rents Peter's Garth near his farm of 3.36 and also some acres in the Owstwick Carrs.

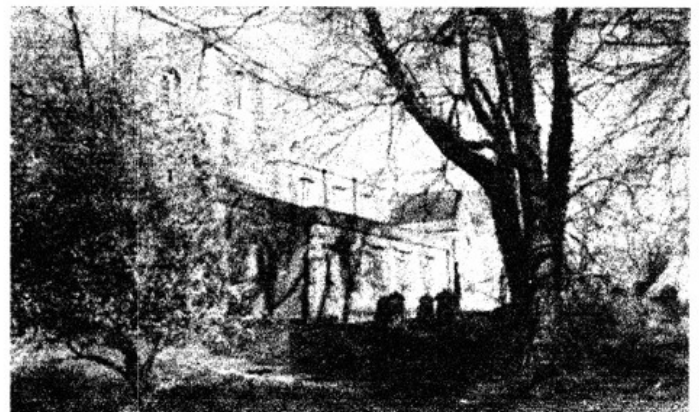
The Rooster Donations 2001—2002

41 donations have now been received this year—since 1st April. The following recent donations are gratefully acknowledged :

Mr Terry Allison	Mrs M.T.Gee
Anon (Owstwick)	Mrs E.Lawson
Anon (Eastfield)	Dot McAnespie & David
Mr & Mrs G.P.Blyth	Mr & Mrs A.Megson
Mrs Heather Boynton	Mr & Mrs K.Richardson
Mr & Mrs R.Cowell	Mr & Mrs G.Rosser
Mr & Mrs J.L.Farrington	Mr & Mrs A.Simpson
Mr & Mrs M.Foster	Mr & Mrs M.Winter

Further donations will be welcome. Pass to :

Leslie Helliwell, Canwick, Lamb Lane. (670291).



To fill a corner. It's better in colour - and larger!