

Warbler



A View from County Hall



At the moment I am not sure that "Happy New Year" is the right thing to say, "Hopeful New Year" would seem more appropriate as I am sure with the roll out of the two new vaccines, we are all now living in hope. That said, the darkest hour comes before the dawn and my fear is that there will be consequences for Christmas socialisation however small the scale. In looking back on the past year there are positives to hang on to and where clearly evidenced we should build into new working practice.

Before the Christmas break it was announced that NYCC would receive an additional £10.8m to tackle the cost pressures of Covid-19, part of a range of measures in the Local Government Funding Settlement for 2021/22. However, in this year alone the County Council has spent over £80m extra in response to Covid as it has led on public health, support for care homes and supporting communities through the pandemic.

The Settlement has also provided a welcome Income Guarantee Fund. This sees the Government compensating councils for 75% of the reductions in council tax and business rates income due to the impacts of Covid. The announcement also set out that councils can increase council tax by up to 2%. But councils who provide social care, like the County Council, can consider increasing council tax by up to a further 3% to reflect the financial challenges of delivering social care. We welcome this support however we still face significant challenges as we predict there will be a shortfall of funding of £75m over the next three years. We will now have to consider levels of council tax and balance the need to fund essential services through this critical period whilst also recognising the increased pressure that this will put on the tax payers at such a difficult time.

At some point Government is going to have to confront the longer term funding solution for social care and the issue of fairer funding as we continue to feel aggrieved that residents in this county pay too much council tax particularly in comparison to London. Our bid for a unitary council was submitted before Christmas and should the government find that it meets the requirements set by them, would also play an important part in reducing the cost of service delivery, decluttering the system and making us all more accountable to you.

Hopeful New Year!
Janet

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Wolds Valley Benefice

10th Jan	10.30 am Holy Communion St. Peter's Helporthorpe
17th Jan	10.30 am Holy Communion St. Mary's Wharram Le Street
24th Jan	10.30 am Holy Communion St. Andrew's Weaverthorpe
31st Jan	10.30 am Plough Service & Holy Communion St. Andrew's Kirby Grindalythe

There will be a Zoom service taking place each Sunday at 12.00pm. If you wish to take part in these services please contact Andy Bowden on woldsvalleychurches@gmail.com and he will send you the Zoom link.

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and other enquiries should be directed to the Rev Andy Bowden 01944 738814 or email woldsvalleychurches@gmail.com

For parishioners, your first point of call on all church related matters should be your churchwarden.

Driffield & Wolds Benefice

10th Jan	9:15 am - All Saints', Thwing 10:45 am - All Saints', Driffield
13th Jan	9:30 am - All Saints', Driffield
17th Jan	9:15 am - St Mary's, Little Driffield (Book of Common Prayer) 10:45 am - St Peter's, Langtoft
20th Jan	9:30 am - All Saints', Driffield
24th Jan	9:15 am - All Saints', Thwing 10:45 am - All Saints', Driffield
27th Jan	9:30 am - All Saints', Driffield
31st Jan	9:15 am - St Mary's, Little Driffield (Book of Common Prayer) 10:45 am - St Peter's, Langtoft

All enquiries should be directed to:- Rev Stuart Grant :- 01377 257712 Mob: 07795 560065

RAREY HALT SHOP & TEA ROOM



REVISED OPENING

From Thursday January 7th the shop will be open 10am -1pm on Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday each week.

We will be taking orders for Rafters fruit and vegetable (orders by 1pm Wednesday please), Milk and Derwentio Bakery bread (orders by 1pm Wednesday and Friday please).

The Post Office will be open Mondays and Thursdays 10am-12pm.

The Tearoom and kitchen will be closed, but take-away drinks will be available when the shop is open.

Looking forward to seeing you

Happy New Year
Jill, Pete and the staff.
01944 738282

WEAVERTHORPE WEEBLES



We will be reviewing our decision whether it is safe to reopen. Many thanks for your support during the past year and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Weaverthorpe Village Hall



Happy New Year Everyone.

Yes, we are in 'Lockdown' - again - but the good news is that we still have the 100 Club January Draw to entertain us.

For this month the 'Draw' has been brought forward, slightly, in order to 'make' the 'copy' for January's Warbler.

And what an exciting draw it has been. Our first prize winner very kindly re-donated their prize of £20 to be 're-drawn' - on the proviso that the prize be split to create two further £10 winners. How good is that!?

So, for January, we now have three £10 winners plus one £5 winner - and the winning numbers are 16, 91, 46 (all £10) and 80 (£5).

All the prize winners have been informed.

What on earth will happen in our February Draw? I bet you can't wait!

In the meantime keep safe and keep well,
MARTIN



Weaverthorpe Village Hall Virtual Annual General Meeting Wednesday 17th February 2021 at 7.30pm by Zoom

There shall be a virtual annual general meeting of the Village Hall on Wednesday 17th February 2021.

The annual general meeting is called by the Executive Committee. The secretary gives at least 21 days notice of the annual general meeting to all the inhabitants of Weaverthorpe.

All the inhabitants shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meeting.

Nominations for election to the Executive Committee must be made by inhabitants in writing and must be in the hands of the secretary of the Executive Committee (Sue Thomson, Gypsey Cottage) by 1st February 2021. Nominations submitted after this date will not be accepted. Should nominations exceed vacancies, election shall be by ballot.

It should be noted that members of the committee also stand as trustees and must be prepared to accept the responsibility associated with the role.

This meeting will be held using Zoom, a platform most people are familiar with. Any members of the public wishing to attend this meeting should apply for the joining details by contacting Trevor Thomson on weaverthorpevillagehall@gmail.com



Friends Weaverthorpe School would like to Thank you for all your support of donating raffle prizes and buying tickets!

With your help we raised a massive £350, this will help to buy resources and hopefully some trips for the children next year!!

1st prize £50 - won by Lucy Bannister
2nd prize - won by Becky Sails

Many congratulations to all the 25 other lucky winners!!

Happy and Safe 2021 to everyone!



You might not be aware but thanks to government guidance we have been effectively closed since March 2020 (as schools are not allowed to undertake overnight residential visits until Easter 2021 at the earliest). Outdoor Education Centres like Cranedale are now struggling as we need to somehow keep going for over a year without being able to generate any income. We do support 40 jobs in the Wolds Valley and surrounding area.

There is a Parliamentary Petition out to put pressure on the government to provide targeted financial support for Outdoor Residential Centres during closure (<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/552754>) - If you support this petition please consider signing it by following the above link.

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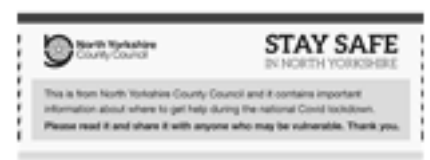
WHARRAM LE STREET

It was very nice to have our small carol service again this year. Andy Bowden had arranged for it to be held in the church yard due to covid. It was a fine evening fortunately and it was quite atmospheric to sing in the darkness with the church lit in front of us. Two memorable things, apart from the singing of course, were Andy's brightly lit head gear and Angus and Jacqui Scott's equally bright reindeer.

The benches that we purchased with the grant we received from the district council have been assembled by Richard Megginson and he is arranging for them to be put in position around the village.

Lastly some spring bulbs have been planted at the village sign on the main road and the signs on Salents Lane and Station Road. Also in the three troughs on the triangle .

A Happy New Year to everyone.
 Roger Kay.



These are unprecedented times and we recognise that going into a third national lockdown due to the Covid-19 pandemic will be very difficult for many of you. We are sending you this email to help you to understand what this means for us all in North Yorkshire, and to make sure you know what support is available. We also want you to know that no-one in North Yorkshire should feel alone.

What is the current risk?

The new variant of the virus moves between people much more easily. A small amount of exposure can lead to infection. We know that people mixing inside homes has been a key way in which the virus transfers, so please play your part and do not meet other people inside. Infection rates have been rising very quickly in many areas of North Yorkshire, regardless of how rural the communities are. It is important to remember that one in three people with Covid has no symptoms and can be spreading it without knowing.

FOXHOLES AND BUTTERWICK NEWS



Hi Everyone,

Well it's been a very trying year for each and everyone of us and it's looking like 2021 is going to be a tough start for a couple of months at least. We are sorry that Foxholes Community Hall has remained closed for the past few months and looks like it will be for the next few months unless there is some substantial lifting of 'lockdown restrictions', which will allow us to re-open. However I would like to take this opportunity to wish you All a Healthy and 'Better New Year' and look forward to the day we can welcome everyone back to Foxholes Community Hall once again for our Social Activities and Community Groups when it is safe to do so!

Thank you All for your continued support.

Best Regards
 Rod Buckley
 (Vice Chairman)

FOXHOLES WITH BUTTERWICK PARISH COUNCIL PARISH CLERK / RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

Foxholes with Butterwick Parish Council (in the Ryedale district) is seeking to recruit a new Parish Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer to replace the current post holder who will be leaving at the end of March 2021. The Parish Clerk / RFO is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Parish Council's services and facilities and is required to work in partnership with other statutory bodies and the general public to improve delivery of services to our community. If you have excellent communication and organisational skills, the ability to develop effective working relationships with a variety of organisations and an understanding of the local government sector, then we would like to hear from you. Starting salary will be dependent on relevant qualifications and experience. Hours are currently 3 per week and the current salary is £1,500 per annum. The Parish Council meets every other month, usually on a Wednesday evening. The clerk will be expected to attend all meetings, and undertake all administration and accountancy associated with the parish council. Please apply by email and enclosing your CV to Stephanie Lacey at foxholesbutterwickkpc@outlook.com Closing date for receipt of applications is 12 noon on Monday 25th January 2021. Interviews will be held via Zoom during week beginning 15th February 2021.

Here is a summary of the key points of this national lockdown. You are only allowed to leave home to:

- shop for essentials for your household or a vulnerable person/people you are helping and this should be as locally as possible;
- go to work, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you cannot work from home;
- exercise with your household (or support bubble) or one other person, this should be limited to once per day and you should stay local;
- meet your support bubble or childcare bubble where necessary, but only if you are legally permitted to form one;
- seek medical help or avoid injury, illness or risk of harm (including domestic abuse); and attend education or childcare, for anyone who is eligible.

You can find information from the [government website](#). You can find out more about help and advice in this area on the [county council website](#).

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What is a support bubble?

If you live alone or are a single parent who lives only with your children, you can meet one other household without social distancing. This is called a support bubble. Not everyone meets the government criteria for a support bubble and you can check if you do on the government website, above.

Symptoms

The main symptoms are a new and continuous cough, a fever, loss of taste and/or smell. [Find out more about the symptoms.](#)

If you feel unwell, with even mild Covid symptoms, please protect your friends and family by behaving as though you are infectious – self-isolate and book a test.

You can [book a test online](#) or call 119.

If you are required to isolate, you must comply for the full period required. This is ten days for anyone who tests positive or 14 days if you live with, or have come into contact with, anyone who tests positive. You are increasing the risk for others if you do not.

Supporting each other

Thank you to everyone looking out for friends and neighbours, and the many thousands of volunteers helping people across North Yorkshire. Please keep checking on people who might need a hand with things like shopping, collecting medication or just having someone to talk to. A brief telephone chat can make a huge difference to people who may feel lonely or isolated. Please keep in touch with friends and neighbours by phone or online. [Find advice about how to help safely.](#)

We all know that mental and physical health is important. All of us are allowed to undertake daily exercise, outdoors, once a day if we can. As long as we keep two metres apart, we can exercise with someone from another household, too.

What to do if you need help

If you need help with shopping or other essentials, please let family, friends or neighbours know how they can help you. If you do not have anyone to help you, you can contact us and we will direct you to help in your area.

You can [complete an online form to let us know what help you need](#) to let us know what help you need. We are currently dealing with a high number of phone calls, so please use this form if you can. If you do not have access to the internet, our contact centre is open seven days a week between 8am and 5.30pm so please call 01609 780 780.

Shielding

People who are clinically extremely vulnerable are being asked to shield again. If you are in this group, the government will write to you with the latest advice. We will continue to offer support to North Yorkshire residents who are asked to shield.

There is an [online form to let us know what support you need](#). If you do not have access to the internet, our contact centre is open seven days a week between 8am and 5.30pm so please call 01609 780 780.

Vaccine roll-out

The NHS in North Yorkshire is working hard to roll out vaccinations across many sites that are equipped to deliver it. When it is your turn, your GP will contact you directly and give you an appointment. If you cannot attend, please let them know so they can re-arrange the appointment for you and vaccinate someone else. Surgeries and other NHS staff are really busy, so it is important everyone remains patient and waits for their invitation.

Team North Yorkshire

As well as working with a network of community support organisations helping people right across the county, North Yorkshire is fortunate to have a strong spirit of volunteering. There are hundreds of people out there who can help you so please do not feel alone. Thanks again for looking out for those around you. We know that many people will want to get involved in their communities and help where they can. If you have the time and want to volunteer, we can introduce you to local organisations in your own community. [See more information about volunteering.](#)

Buy Local

If you cannot get out, there are also lots of great North Yorkshire businesses standing by to deliver services and shopping direct to you. There has probably never been a more important time to support local businesses. We encourage you to shop locally to support jobs and the economy at this really difficult time. Please have a look at our [Buy Local website](#) for details of businesses in your area.

Thank you

Even with the new lockdown measures, we still have personal responsibilities to protect ourselves, our families, friends and neighbours. Please remain careful, whether at home or outside for the permitted reasons. Act as if you have the virus and Stay Home, Protect the NHS and Save Lives. Thank you.