

<u>A View from County Hall</u>

As I write, we have just received news that government will now consult on new models of local government for the county. I personally welcome this news but rather than give you a snap shot of what this means, I give you a couple of scenarios from my working life and leave you with a copy of our press release at the end.

A couple of years ago, we had to make changes to our corporate parenting board as a result of new government legislation. We realised that though the county council are responsible for our Looked After Children and Care Leavers, some of the important changes we had to make involved housing and leisure which actually sat with the district and

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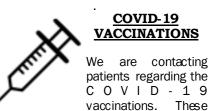
This would have been so much easier and more efficient had we been a single unitary authority that was able to deal with these issues internally, and how much better and faster the outcome would have been for this group of vulnerable children and young people.

I have listened carefully to your concerns about loss of the local voice should we move to a large unitary governance however, as one who used to work for the County Music Service, I can say from first-hand experience that nothing could be further from the truth. I was based at the Scarborough Music Centre, I lived within the community and taught our local children. As a county service we had the freedom to adapt to local traditions and local need but the advantage of coming together for training, we had greater purchasing power and could quickly adapt to new legislation without tying ourselves up at local level.

We estimate that a single unitary over the current North Yorkshire footprint could save us as much as $\pounds 260$ million over five years and with the pandemic to pay for, this would be a very welcome. If you have any concerns about the consultation please do not hesitate to contact me. These are important changes that need informed decision making.

Janet

Councillor Janet Sanderson Thornton Dale and The Wolds Executive member for Children's Services 01751 474516 mobile 078 3355 3014



vaccinations will be offered at Sherburn Surgery, where we continue to receive the AstraZeneca vaccine or at Derwent Practice for the Pfizer vaccine.

Please wait to be contacted by the surgery. This will keep our telephone lines free for patients that need our care.

Please be assured that we will vaccinate all our patients, as soon as possible, when further vaccines become available to us.

Thank you for your patience.



Wolds Valley Benefice

7th March	10.30 am Holy Communion St. Peter's Helperthorpe 12.00 noon Zoom Service with prayers, hymns and readings*
14th March	Mothering Sunday 10.30 am Holy Communion St. Mary's West Lutton 12.00 noon Zoom Service with prayers, hymns and readings*
21st March	10.30 am Holy Communion St. Peter's Helperthorpe 12.00 noon Zoom Service with prayers, hymns and readings*
28th March	Palm Sunday 10.30 am Holy Communion St. Peter's Helperthorpe 12.00 noon Zoom Service with prayers, hymns and readings*
1st April	Maundy Thursday Zoom Service with prayers, hymns and readings*
2nd April	Good Friday 10.30 am Walking with the Cross in Wharram Le Street 7.00 pm Meditation on the Cross St. Mary's West Lutton
3rd April	7.00 pm Easter Eve service of Light St. Andrew's Weaverthorpe
4th April	Easter Sunday 10.30 am Holy Communion St. Andrew's Kirby Grindalythe 12.00 noon Zoom Service with prayers, hymns and readings*

*If you would like to be a part of the Zoom service, or receive resources to worship at home each week, ple ase contact Reverend Andy Bowden: Tel- 07544 705064 Email- woldsvalleychurches@gmail.com

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and other enquiries should be directed to the Rev Andy Bowden 01944738814 or email woldsvalleychurches@gmail.com For parishioners, your first point of call on all church related matters should be your churchwarden.

Driffield & Langtoft Benefice

3rd March	9:30 am - All Saints', Driffield	
7th March	9:15 am - All Saints', Thwing 10:45 am - All Saints', Driffield	
10th March	9:30 am - All Saints', Driffield	
14th March	Mothering Sunday 9:15 am -St Mary's, Little Driffield (Book of Common Prayer) 10:45 am -St Peter's, Langtoft	
17th March	9:30 am - All Saints', Driffield	
21st March	9:15 am - All Saints', Thwing 10:45 am -All Saints', Driffield	
24th March	9:30 am - All Saints', Driffield	
28th March	Palm Sunday 9:15 am -St Mary's, Little Driffield (Book of Common Prayer) 10:45 am -St Peter's, Langtoft	
31st March	9:30 am - All Saints', Driffield	
1st April	Maundy Thursday 7:30 pm - All Saints', Driffield	
2nd April	Good Friday 2:00 pm – All Saints', Driffield	
4th April	Easter Sunday 9:15 am - All Saints', Thwing 10:45 am - All Saints', Driffield	
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All Saints Church, Front Street, Wold Newton

Covid guidance permitting, it may be possible to hold a service for Mothering Sunday and/or other services. Please check on the church website <u>www.allsaintschurchwoldnewton.com</u> or Tel. Julie (01262 470568) or Carol (01262 470838).

The church remains open daily for individual/family prayer and contemplation.

This ancient and interesting church is kept open during the day for visitors. All enquiries should be directed to: Rev Barbara Hodgson - Tel: 01262 470873

Sherburn Methodist Chapel

The Methodist Church is not having services at the moment but an email copy of weekly worship can be sent if anyone would like one. Just email chisn.com description of the sent o



Weaverthorpe Village Hall Hello Everyone,

I just thought I would let you all know what is going on in respect of the Village Hall (VH) - just so that you don't lose touch.

On Wednesday 17th February we held the AGM - and, of course, this had to be done virtually.

In spite of the low attendance we were fortunate to have two new attendees -Karen and John Bisby from Helperthorpe. I am not sure what they expected - possibly not being invited to become Members of Weaverthorpe Village Hall Committee! But they were and they did!! Hurrah. Always good to have new people - they often bring useful attributes and usually some good ideas too!

As for the VH itself. The redecoration of the Kitchen Lobby is nearly complete - just the last bit of emulsion and gloss paint to apply and then we can tackle the floor. The latter we will wait to complete as the ambient temperature for application of the floor sealant has to be at least 10 degrees - and since no one will be using the hall for the foreseeable future there is no undue rush. March should see it done.

Completion of the Kitchen Lobby will see the last of the decorating to the VH public areas - leaving just the Storeroom to complete - as and when we can get around to it.

To take a quote from our Chairman (Anth Milner) in his annual report - " The hall has been decorated inside and outside, many repairs jobs have also been done. We now have a great looking hall and we are ready for business as soon as we feel it is safe and we are allowed to open. We will also have **comfortable** new chairs to sit on too".

Yes - we can't wait but wait we must. But be assured we will let you know as soon as we get the green light!!

Financially the funds of the VH are in good shape - in spite of the various lockdown's and lack of income from our regular activities. The reason for this is that under the various government grant schemes the VH has, over the last year, been the recipient of a total of over £17,000! Whilst the actual financial year has run at a loss this boost to our income has indeed meant that we are currently in a financially secure position for the foreseeable future.

But let us all hope that we can get back some sort of 'normality' as soon as possible. Once we are in that position we can then contemplate on how we might make good use of whatever available finance we might have to further enhance our community hub.

If you are ablethen please have the vaccination. If you are unsure about the vaccination then please talk to someone about your concerns.

In the meantime keep safe and keep well, Best for now,

MARTIN

(on behalf of the VH Committee)

Weaverthorpe Village Hall



Hi Evervone.

The year moves on! Valentine's day has been and gone, followed quickly by Shrove Tuesday! The end of February 2021 rapidly approaches. The snowdrops are up - some of them almost finished - and I have spotted a few daffodils poking their way through! Spring is around the corner - in spite of the latest round of exceedingly cold and freezing weather.

So, what else to look forward to but the February 100 Club Draw.

Again the 'draw' was held during our virtual VH committee meeting - on Wednesday 17th Feb.

The winning numbers are:

79 - 1st Prize (£20) 35 - 2nd Prize (£10) - and

47 - 3rd Prize (£5) All prize winners have been notified. Roll on March for some more lucky winners.

Best for now.

Keep safe and keep well,

MARTIN

p.s. If you think you might like to become a member of Weaverthorpe Village Hall 100 Club, or, indeed, would like and extra number or two, then just call (07971963797) or email me (martin.pearce54321@gmail.com).



Collected Stamps There is a plastic collection envelope at the bottom of the school hill. It would be a massive help if the stamps could be trimmed around leaving no more than 1cm around the stamp. Many thanks Friend's Of Weaverthorpe School

RAREY HALT SHOP & TEA ROOM

The tearoom will be closed, although we are able to offer take away hot drinks when the shop is open.

The shop is open 10am - 1pm on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays and the Post Office from 10am-12pm Mondays and Thursdays.

We continue to stock bread, milk, eggs, flour, yeast, dried fruit, soft drinks, chocolate, sweets and other 'essentials'. We also take orders for:

Rafters fruit and veg - please order by 5pm on Tuesday for Friday collection

Derventio Bakery bread, baps, fruited teacakes, sausage rolls, pasties and pies please order by Tuesday 5pm for collection on Thursday and Friday 1pm for collection Saturday. DERVENTIO BAKERY HOT CROSS BUNS are back!

Soanes Poultry fresh chickens and chicken portions - please order by 5pm on Tuesday for Friday collection.

We have fresh milk delivered on Thursday and Saturdays and are happy to take orders up to 1pm the day before.

Daily papers can be ordered for collection Monday to Saturday along with the Driffield & Wolds Weekly and Gazette and Herald.

We would be grateful if orders could be placed before the times given above in the shop, by telephone or by putting a note in the red letter box by the back door of the house. Unfortunately Facebook messages may get missed.

Stay safe Pete and Jill 01944 738282 Wharram Le Street

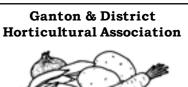
Residents in Wharram are having a blitz on litter. A tremendous number of folk in Wharram are being involved in a concerted litter pick in the days leading up to Spring. All the areas around the village are to be covered. Our own special Spring Clean.

It has also been decided to site the three remaining benches ,that we got with grant money,on the triangle. They will be placed around the stone planters at the centre of the grass area.

Lastly the Whattsapp. that was set up last year has proved to be a tremendous means of communication for the village in the period of Covid. It has helped to create a great community spirit in these difficult times.

Thank you Wharramites.

Roger Kay.





42nd ANNUAL PRODUCE SHOW

Sunday 5th September 2021

Ganton Village Hall

Wanted

Occasional help with heavy work in large garden

No gardening experience required

Hourly rate

Contact I Hallaways 01944 710507 or ihallaways@hotmail.co.uk

WOLD NEWTON

The Community Centre remains closed. Please contact Judith (01262 470368) with any queries.



The Wold Newton Community Facebook Group remains active and any developments within the village are listed on a daily basis.

The Collection Box for The Hinge remains active and well supported by the village, which is very well done by all contributors.

Roadworks have begun to repair the carriageway between the N. Yorks. boundary and Burton Fleming and are expected to last for 17 weeks.

Phase 1 - Foxholes Road/Butt Lane. Starting 15/2/21 for up to 4 weeks. Temporary traffic lights.

Phase 2 - Resurfacing Bridlington Road/Laking Lane with localised deep structural repairs. Start date 8/3/21 for 1 week. 24 hr road closures required and diversions will be signposted. Access for residents, emergency services etc. only

Phase 3 - Carriageway haunch widening Wold Newton Rd. Burton Fleming, kerbing and drainage improvements. Estimated start date 15/3/21 for 12 weeks. 24 hr. road closures will be needed and diversions will operate.

For more specific information the contact numbers are:-(Whilst works are underway) Chris Young 01482 393939 - chris.young@eastriding.gov.uk Other enquiries - Dave Berry (Project Manager) 01482 393939 david. berry@eastriding.gov.uk

NORTH YORKSHIRE WELCOMES START OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION

North Yorkshire welcomes today's announcement that the Government will begin to consult on new models of local government for the county. The Government has said North Yorkshire's two-tier councils must end to make way for unitary local government, which will unlock the door to a devolution deal.

The Government has begun an eight-week consultation on how vital services such as adult social care, children's services, roads and transport, planning and waste collection and recycling will be delivered across the county.

The Government is consulting on two options:

The county council is proposing a single council for the whole county, building on the county's strengths and identity to give people a powerful voice, speaking up regionally and nationally for North Yorkshire. This would work alongside City of York Council, as an existing unitary authority, building on an already close relationship. This option is supported by City of York Council;

Some of the district councils have proposed splitting the county in two - West North Yorkshire and East North Yorkshire including York. City of York Council does not support this proposal.

"We welcome the beginning of the consultation," said ClIr Carl Les, the County Council's Leader. "Local government reorganisation for North Yorkshire comes at a critical time when we are mapping our route out of the Covid-19 pandemic and when, more than ever, we need a strong, dynamic council to support our communities and businesses to recover and move forward to make the most of opportunities that will surely come via devolution.

"North Yorkshire is a county like no other due to its rurality and sparse populations. A single council would provide the critical mass, scale and financial sustainability, which are essential to deliver outstanding services while also retaining the resilience to tackle the challenges facing the whole county after the ravages of the Covid-19 pandemic.

"Our proposal will unite the best of all council services. It would also save as much as £260m over five years. No other bid can deliver this scale of savings within this timeframe.

"Like many people and businesses, we have grave concerns about the proposal that would break the county into east and west North Yorkshire. Dismantling the already unitary City of York, breaking up outstanding countywide services and setting up two completely new councils would be the most complex reorganisation ever undertaken. Combined with the need to drive rapid and lasting economic recovery postpandemic we maintain the district council proposal would deliver uncertainly, seismic disruption and delay recovery."

Cllr Les has called on the county's residents and businesses to engage with the consultation and to consider what the county council believes are the key issues.

The county council's proposal will:

- be a strong voice in the North, speaking out nationally for rural and coastal communities;
- bring together the best services for residents and businesses, make them even better and save money by reducing duplication;
- keep the county and nationally acclaimed services together at a critical time rather than breaking them in two, causing seismic disruption;

• unite North Yorkshire to operate at scale and sustainably, driving recovery from the pandemic, rather than creating two competing councils;

• create a revolution in localism so communities have the funding and power to take action on what matters to them most in their area; protect and build on the strong identity and global brand of North Yorkshire and what makes our county so great.

Cllr Les said that the county's response to the Covid-19 pandemic during the past year had demonstrated the importance of a strong council.

"The last year has shown that we need a strong council, not only to help with global crises like the pandemic, but local challenges like extreme winter weather and everyday issues like protecting our vulnerable residents, working with volunteers, the NHS and through our social care and public health teams.

"Our role has been as coordinator, organiser and enabler of the tremendous work they are doing.

"We also understand the needs of business through the pandemic and, for example, have created our online Buy Local platform, bringing together businesses and customers (<u>www.northyorks.gov.uk/buylocal</u>). We believe that what businesses want is the strongest possible council to fight their corner regionally and nationally and to help them make the journey to economic renewal.

"Taken together, this is a great model for how a single council for North Yorkshire can use its strength and scale to operate across the area, at the same time using local knowledge and understanding to tailor help to where it is needed at the most local level."

Offering power and influence at a local level is central to the county council's vision of the future of local services.

Cllr Les said: "With a single council we can have the best of both worlds – strong services and a council that is locally responsive. We are proposing a revolution in localism, with local accountability, local access and local action."

Several elements would combine to achieve this:

• A main office in each district would provide access to locally based staff with the expertise to help people to resolve any issues or questions they may have.

• These would be supplemented with 30 community access points for people to visit to talk about the services or matters they need to discuss.

• 25 community networks serving market town areas will bring together local people and businesses with the voluntary sector and agencies like the police, fire and NHS and local people to decide on their priorities and drive service innovation and local improvements.

Six powerful local area committees to make sure local priorities are at the heart of decision-making and hold the new council to account.

Town and parish councils would be offered new powers and money, if they want them, to take on some local services. We have worked with 25 representatives from across the county to develop our offer to town and parish councils to ensure they are right.

Cllr Les added: "Our proposal for a single unitary council will unite and strengthen our county, create a rural powerhouse for the North, but also empower our local people where they live. It maps out an exciting future for everybody in our county."

Read more about the county council's proposal at<u>www.northyorks.gov.uk/strongertogether</u> where you can also find out how to make your voice heard.



Could you offer 'help at home' to people in Ryedale?

People in your community need help at home. This might be because they are older, unwell, disabled or just need a little help to remain independent.

Community Catalysts have been funded by North Yorkshire County Council to run a **free** development programme, helping people set up their own business, be their own boss and supporting people in their community.

- Ever fancied becoming self-employed?
- Are you already helping people and would like to do more?
- Are you looking for a new job opportunity?
- Would you enjoy working for yourself, choosing when you work and who you work with?
- Are you caring and compassionate?

If setting up your own 'Help at Home' business' is for you, I can:

- · offer you a friendly and supportive point of contact to explore ideas
- support you to develop your community enterprise
- give you practical information on regulation, training and opportunities in the health and social care sector
- direct you to other organisations who can help

Interested? Then get in touch

Kathy.peacock@communitycatalysts.co.uk

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https://www.facebook.com/communitycatalystsryedale/



£1 per strip

Live facebook draw by Tanya Oldroyd on April 2nd at 7:30pm

Where to buy your lucky tickets: Sherburn School Office Operation K9 Tanya Oldroyd - 10 Vicarage Farm Close 07470794952 Stacey Walker-Stabler - 3 Walnut Grove 07464631340 Joe Parker - WS1 Packing Area @ Kingspan



All money raised will go towards the new play area at Sherburn Playing Fields. We would like to thank you all for your continued support in our fundraising.