

The Rooster

Roos Village Newsletter

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Roos Parish Council

Meeting on 14th April

Attendance

Councillors Cheeseman, Cook, Craggs, Grant, Kirk, Priest (Chairman) and Winter. Cllr Willie (East Riding councillor)

Apology: Cllr Helliwell (in hospital).

Presentation: Roos Village Design Statement

In a formal presentation Mr W.Ainley, Chair of the VDS Group, said that the VDS had involved wide research and consultation and had taken 4 - 5 years to prepare. It had been adopted by the East Riding Council as Supplementary Planning Guidance for Roos. Copies had been provided to all residents and other relevant persons and institutions. There had been positive feed-back from residents and professional bodies.

Mr Ainley thanked the Parish Council for their support. In return the Chairman thanked the VDS group for their hard work and commitment.

Minutes (Meeting on 10th March): Approved

The Chairman said that Cllr Helliwell was progressing well. Members expressed good wishes for his recovery.

Matters Arising

Rubbish in ditch. The rubbish had not been cleared. The Clerk was asked to send a further letter.

<u>Millennium Marker, Sand-le-Mere</u>. Cllr Cheeseman said that a local fisherman had retrieved the plaque. Mr Tony Ellis had agreed to provide another granite marker.

Pot-holes at Owstwick. The Clerk had requested repairs.

<u>Parish land at Tunstall</u>. The Treasurer was asked to agree a rent with Mr Michael Smales. Legal advice was advised about a suitable lease arrangement.

Correspondence

<u>East Riding Town & Parish Council Survey 2003</u>. Items in a questionnaire were completed, covering Highways & Traffic, Environmental Services, Grounds Maintenance.

Missing Rooster

There was no issue in April because I was in hospital at the time. My apologies to readers and donors - and to advertisers whose notices did not appear.

A further consequence is that this month there are three Parish Council reports. Lucky readers!

L.H.

"Quality" Town & Parish Councils". A DEFRA scheme for councils to apply for "Quality Status" was noted.

New Licensing Bill. Members noted changes affecting community facilities including church and village halls.

Learning & Skills Council . A leaflet was noted.

Minerals Joint Plan. Following an enquiry into the joint City of Hill / East Riding Plan, modifications are intended. The modifications could be viewed at local Customer Service Centres.

<u>Litter bins</u>. Members noted East Riding advice about the installation of bins and arrangements to empty them.

Speed limit north of Roos School. In a formal letter the Highways Department confirmed the decision (urged by the Parish Council) to extend the 30 mph speed restriction northwards to a point 57 metres farther from the school.

Grass cutting. Mr Ian Spikings had for some years been cutting the grass plot at the Pilmar Lane corner but now other commitments prevented his continuing. It was agreed to seek an East Riding quotation for the work.

Accounts

Payment of the following accounts was approved.

Hire of Memorial Institute, March & April 15. 00 Public Liability Insurance (Zurich) 175. 00 Clerk's Salary & Expenses (Sep 02 - Feb 03) 380. 00

Planning

Planning Committee Decisions

Manor Farm, South End (Marriott Builders). Erection of two dwellings on Plots 4 & 5. (Plot 6 withdrawn.) Approved.

OS Field 0042, Aldbrough Rd, Hilston (Makey). Erection of agricultural store. Refused because, "it would detract from the character of the surrounding landscape."

Roos Parish Council Meeting on Monday 9th June 7.30 in The Memorial Institute Members of the public are always welcome.

New Applications

<u>Penwith, Rectory Road (Mr M.Winter)</u>. Full planning application for erection of a single-storey extension to rear. Supported by the Parish Council.

Roos CE School (Director of Education). Siting of steel container for outdoor play equipment. Supported.

The Laurels, Pinfold Lane (Mr G.Ralph). Amended siting. Outline application.: dwelling and garage south of The Laurels. (The new siting was 2.5 metres further to the west - away from two sycamore trees.) Supported.

<u>Poplar Farm, Hilston Road (C.W.Newton & Son)</u>. Full planning application for change of use of domestic outbuilding to form one dwelling. Supported.

Any Other Business

Path to Tunstall Church. Still no quotation for the work.

Councillor Stewart Willie: New ward boundaries

Councillor Willie, Mid-Holderness ward councillor, explained that the Parish of Roos was now in South-East Holderness.

Consequently he would no longer be attending Parish Council meetings but would continue to support the council.

The Chairman thanked him for his attendance at meetings and the help he had given over the years.

Parish Council Meetings on 12th May 1. Annual Meeting 2003

Minutes

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting on 13th May 2002 were approved. There were no matters arising.

Retiring Chairman's Report

James Priest reflected that the most contentious issue for members had been the requirement to make a formal declaration of their interests. Otherwise, he had been happy and privileged to serve as Chairman. Roos was a lovely village and should be cherished. He had welcomed the Village Design Statement, the improved drainage to prevent further flooding, the new speed restrictions, and the work of the Children's Playground Association. He expressed appreciation of the Memorial Institute, one of the best village halls in the area and very well cared for. He thanked fellow members for their support and wished the Parish Council well in the future.

Parish Council Elections, 1st May 2003

In Roos there were only eight nominations for the nine places. (Previous councillors Christopher M.Jackson and J.C.Priest did not stand for re-election). Since there was no need for a poll those nominated became councillors nem con. They were. :

| Michael Cheeseman | Northlands, Tunstall Road, Roos. 01964 - 670282 |
|------------------------|--|
| Thomas Kennington Cook | Freshlands, Owstwick. 01964 - 670376 |
| David Thomas Craggs | V2, Sand-le-Mere, Tunstall, Roos. 01964 – 671580 |
| Alec Hedley Dodson | Avondale, Main Street, Roos. 01964 - 670146 |
| Kenneth George Grant | Elm Farm, Rectory Road, Roos. 01964 - 670233 |
| Leslie Helliwell | Canwick, Lamb Lane, Roos. 01964 - 670291 |
| Barbara June Kirk | The Bungalow, Main Street, Roos. 01964 - 670501 |
| David Edward Winter | 3 Chestnut Garth, Roos. 01964 - 670234 |

Treasurer's Report

Cllr D.E.Winter had circulated his statement in advance.

| Roos Parish Accounts year ended 31.3.03 | | | | |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------|--|
| INCOME | £ | EXPENDITURE | £ | |
| Balance b/f | 1957.80 | A.Santos gift | 63.77 | |
| VAT reclaim | 29.75 | Hire of Hall | 105.00 | |
| Bank interest | 17.22 | ERNLLCA fee | 199.95 | |
| Parish precept | 1000.00 | G.E.Winter gift | 77.63 | |
| Garden rents | 2.00 | Clerk (salary, expenses) 760.00 | | |
| Parish Paths | 230.00 | Audit fees | 63.45 | |
| | | Grass cutting | 70.50 | |
| | | Insurance | 175.00 | |
| | | Poppy Appeal | 50.00 | |
| | | Bulbs | 120.00 | |
| | | Total expenditure | 1685.30 | |
| | | Balance c/f | 1551.47 | |
| DANK | 3236.77 | | 3236.77 | |
| BANK | 100 50 | | | |
| Current acount | 436.52 1114.95 | | | |
| Deposit account | | | | |
| Total | <u>1551.47</u> | | | |

Cllr Winter answered questions from members.

- No way-leave payment was shown from the electricity authority. This was because the cheque had only just arrived. It would appear in next year's accounts.
- The item for parish paths had been received but no bills had yet been presented for work done.
- Cllr Craggs asked how the cost of the Village Design Statement had been met. Cllr Helliwell explained (and Cllr Winter concurred) that the Parish Council had paid minor secretarial expenses in the early days and made a grant of £200 a few years ago. Otherwise the expense had been met (via the East Riding) by the Countryside Agency in a 50% grant matching 50% from the village. The latter had been made up of cash, materials and costed time put in by VDS Group members.

Cllr Winter was thanked for the clarity of his statement.

Elections and Appointments

Chairman Cllr Winter (James Priest vacated the Chair.)

<u>Vice-Chair</u> Cllr Helliwell Treasurer Cllr Winter

Governor, Roos CE School

Cllr Kirk

Memorial Institute Committee Cllr Cheeseman

Playing Field Committee Cllr Winter
Snaith Charity Trustees Cllrs Cook & Grant

ERNLLCA Area Committee Cllr Helliwell

(East Riding & North Lincolnshire Local Councils Association.)

2. Normal Monthly Meeting

Attendance

All eight members were present. Cllr Winter, Chairman, welcomed the new member, Cllr Dodson.

Minutes

The Minutes of 14th April were approved. Matters arising from the Minutes were considered.

<u>Litter in ditch</u>. The Clerk had been told that the matter would be looked at again.

Parish land at Tunstall. The Treasurer had agreed with Mr Michael Smales on a rent of £10.00 a year. Cllr Helliwell asked if the question of legal advice on a formal lease was to be pursued. He was told that this had been Cllr Willie's suggestion. There had been no agreement to act on it.

<u>Grass-cutting on the "Village Green"</u>. No quotation had been received from the Highways Department - but it was noted that the grass had been cut during the week.

Correspondence

Obscured signs at Aldbrough crossroads. The Clerk had been assured that projecting branches would be cut back.

<u>Pasture Lane, Tunstall.</u> It was confirmed that, owing to danger from erosion, the road between Tunstall and Hilston would be closed by barriers on 29th May.

<u>Draft Private Sector Renewal Policy</u>. A draft about private housing was available on the East Riding website.

<u>Licensing of new priest</u>. The Chairman had been invited to attend the ceremony at Roos Church on 4th June.

Dent's Garth. Mr John Quinn wrote on several issues :

- He offered to keep the path to the churchyard free of long weeds growing from the sides.
- He had erected a fence to protect his woodland to the south of his property from trespasss and damage.
- There had been litter and fly-tipping among the trees south of Dent's Garth and some litter on the fields.
- He hoped the Parish Council would share his concern to maintain the attractiveness of this part of the village.

The Clerk was asked to write thanking Mr Quinn for his offer to clear the path and to say that his points had been noted. The East Riding would be asked to look into the alleged fly-tipping.

It was observed that youngsters were hard to keep out of wooded areas: they enjoyed making dens and would use any materials that came to hand.

Affordable housing. A leaflet from the Humber & Wolds Rural Community Council urged residents and local councils to collaborate in promoting affordable housing. The aim was to sustain village communities and help

local people on modest incomes to stay in their own villages and not be forced away by high house prices. More information is available from:

Humber & Wolds Community Council, 14 Market Place, Howden, DN14 7BJ.

Phone: 01430 - 430904.

Email: h&wrcc@ruralnet.org.uk

Among other leaflets, received:

"SportsTalk", "Humbrella", "Early Years Development & Child Care" (passed to Roos Playgroup).

Accounts

Cllr Winter had received three payments:

The precept requested for 2003 - 04 £3,000. 00 The electricity way-leave for 2002 - 03 24. 94 Recovered VAT for 2002 - 3 19. 95

The local councils association (ERNLLCA) was asking Roos Parish Council to pay a subscription that had risen from £199.95 last year to £285.93 in 2003-04. Members were staggered by the increase and the Clerk was asked to write for an explanation.

There was no agreement to pay the subscription at this stage, though Cllr Helliwell, even on this sticky wicket, was prevailed upon to present his annual arguments in favour of continuing membership.

Planning

Applications approved by the Planning Committee

Mayfield Farm, Hilston: bund to protect fish-pond.

Roos School: steel container for outdoor play equipment.

New applications

The Grange, Tunstall (Mrs Harrison & others). New vehicular access. Supported.

Blenkins Farm Bungalow, Owstwick (Mr D.Chatterton). Erection of extension to front, side & rear. Supported.

Manor Farm, Roos (Marriott Builders). Resubmission re Plot 6. (Change to plot boujnmdaries.) Supported.

Co-option of further person as councillor

An election to fill the vacancy would be costly. Members were entitled to co-opt and decided to do so. To avoid an election the co-option must take place at the next meeting.

Any other business

Access to development site east of Main Street. Large vehicles using the playing-field track were reportedly damaging a field hedge. Though sympathetic, members felt powerless since the developer had a right of access via the track. One member said that the developer had made improvements to the track. Another said that no

house could be occupied until services had been laid and the road made via the former Greenacre sity.

Roos Store. The Parish Council had supported the owner in his application for a grant to improve the premises. Cllr Grant said that the owner had not been informed and had therefore not yet applied. The Clerk said that a letter had been posted but evidently had not arrived. She had "today" delivered a copy by hand.

Parish Paths: "communication problem".

Cllr Helliwell produced a letter addressed to him as editor of "The Rooster" by Dr Andrew Hersom, who acts on behalf of the Parish Council on Parish Paths matters.

Dr Hersom said that the March newsletter had reported that the Clerk had sent him material about footpaths. He had received none. He also understood his handling of remedial work on footpaths had been criticised. He asked if the Clerk could supply a list of the criticisms.

Members were dismayed by the letter. They were most appreciative of Dr Hersom's voluntary work on their behalf and had no criticism of it. They asked the Clerk to write to say so. The Clerk said that she had once

personally delivered materials to Dr Hersom's house. The Chairman said that he would visit Dr Hersom to clarify the position and avoid further failures of communication.

Millennium Marker. Cllr Cheeseman said that he now had the missing plaque and that Mr Tony Ellis was willing to provide another granite boulder to fix it to. The marker would then be set up farther from the cliff edge south of Sand-le-Mere. (Presumably still on the Meridian. L.H.)

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

It is hoped to co-opt an additional person to serve on the Roos Parish Council, whose area also includes Tunstall, Hilston and Owstwick.

How about YOU?

Persons interested should apply to the Parish Clerk by

Saturday 7th June

Parish Clerk: Mrs Sandra Hardy

1 Church Farm Cottages

Garton

HU11 4QE. Phone: 01964 - 527669

Letters Page

Teenagers' misbehaviour at South End

P.C. Ainley's response to the letter read at the Parish Council in March. It should have been printed in April.

Dear Editor.

I am pleased to be able to reply to the concerns raised by the South End resident and also to inform readers of "The Rooster" of what action has been taken.

As one of your local police officers for the past ten years, I have been aware of the congregation of young people at the farm at South End. It began with a small number of young people entering the empty farm buildings. This caused concern and the buildings were removed as there was the potential for accidents.

The young people who used the buildings were spoken to on a number of occasions and their parents were informed.

The area is now open and some of the young people from our village have taken to driving their cars (or those of their parents) on to the land. Again, the local police have been aware of this and have paid attention to the area. As a result a number of vehicles have been identified and their drivers warned, moved on and advised. The farm owner is aware of the situation and has the full support of the police.

The police are always grateful for information relating to anti-social behaviour and endeavour to attend reports and deal appropriately.

However, our efforts are hindered when the reports we receive are anonymous. We are then unable to gather evidence from those who have witnessed the anti-social behaviour so as to identify the individuals responsible and deal with them. Without this evidence little can be done except to advise those seen on the premises to stay away.

I am sure readers of "The Rooster" will be pleased to hear that no evidence has been found of "other practices"!

Like many other Holderness villages Roos has a minority of young people who meet together and on occasion are responsible for anti-social behaviour.

Parents and guardians -

Do you know where your child is?

Anyone can speak to me in confidence via Withernsea Police Station on 612371.

Matthew Ainley.

Under 15 Football

Dear Editor,

We are hoping to organise a Junior Under-15s football club based in Roos.

We are looking for a qualified and committed club manager who has the time to coach an equally-committed group of lads.

We are also looking for club players between 12 and 14 years of age. They must be willing to give up time for training and a game once a week.

If you are interested please contact one of the following in the evening.

James Kendall 671232

Matthew Roberts

James Spikings 670012

Comment

David Winter, Secretary of the Playing Committee, wished the lads well - "They should be encouraged."

Stuart Blenkin, Secretary of Roos AFC, had been unaware of their aspirations but was pleased to hear. He would contact them to see what help could be given.

From Eastfield Darby & Joan Club

Thank you to everyone who contributed prizes and items for sale for our Spring Fayre on 12th April. We appreciate your support. £328.20 was raised for our Club Funds.

Thank you again.

Heather and Jane.

A note on letters

Sometimes letters submitted are edited - mainly to fit the space available but occasionally for the sake of cogency or clearer paragraphing. There is no intention to alter the content. Any correspondent who feels that the substance has been changed should write again to say so.

School staff rewarded for achievement

A number of East Riding schools - including Roos C.E. School - have gained staff bonuses in the form of School Achievement Awards, government "prizes" that recognise and reward success. Roos was awarded a total of £2,330.

Headteacher Mrs Penny Farey was "thrilled to bits". She says she could not have asked more of her staff - and not just the teachers. "The hard work and commitment of all my staff over the last few years has been outstanding. The award is a fitting tribute to them."

A lovely environment

Mrs Fairey regards the school, its grounds and Roos itself as an ideal environment and regularly tells her pupils how fortunate they are compared to many children.

Footnote

There are currently 74 children on roll, taught by 3.1 teachers. Mrs Fairey believes that the numbers will continue to rise gradually - though it always depends how many children actually turn up in September.

At one time there was apprehension in the village that falling school numbers might threaten closure. It is good to know that such a threat now seems remote.

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Saturday 14th June

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Further details from Walter Holbrook: 01964 - 671089.

The Rooster: Donations in 2003

Grateful thanks to the recent donors below.

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White, Mrs C.M.

Further donations will be most welcome. (Cheques payable to "L.Helliwell"). Please place in an envelope with a slip giving your name and address and the amount. Pass the envelope either to me or to the Roos Stores. L.H.

ROOSTER DEADLINE

Please supply

News / notices from clubs and societies Reports of meetings Photographs and other illustrations Letters, views, opinions

hv

Friday 6th June

to

Leslie Helliwell, Canwick, Lamb Lane (670291)

Coming events

Please supply dates and details of your events.

June

- 4 Licensing of Rev Gordon Smethurst. Roos Church. 7.30.
- 6 Deadline for Rooster material.
- 9 Roos Parish Council. Memorial Institute. 7.30.
- 11 Roos WI. (<u>Note revised date</u>.) 7.30. Memorial Institute. Mr R.H.Bremmer: The Work of a Magistrate + Debate.
- 14 Summer Dance with Irish band "Punch The Horse". Marquee in playing field. (Children's Playground Assoc.)
- 19 Music Concert in Roos Church. 7.30. (Church lighting)
- 21 FORS Fun Day & Scarecrow Trail. Pet Show in morning.
- 29 Open Gardens Day, 1.0 5.0. (Church lighting) **July**
 - 2 Roos WI. 7.30. Memorial Institute. A speaker from BP on "Pyramids to Penicillin".
 - 5 Horticultural Society Summer Show. Burton Pidsea Memorial Hall.
- 14 Roos Parish Council. Memorial Institute. 7.30.

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Roos Church News

Annual Meeting

The following were elected by Church members:

Churchwardens Barrie Broom & Tim Newton.

John Witty. Secretary Sandra Crombie. Treasurer

Ben Pawson & Linda Bleasby. Deanery reps Joan Broom, Peter Cook, Kay Newton, Other PCC Brian & Linda Rannard, Dorothy Robinson. members

New Priest for Roos

At 7.30 on Wednesday 4th June All Saints' Church will see the licensing of its 51st (?) priest since records began in the early 13th century.

Many parishioners will wish to attend to greet the Rev. Gordon Smethurst, hitherto Vicar of St Mark's, Anlaby Common. The ceremony will be conducted by the Bishop of Hull, the Rt. Rev. Richard Frith. All are welcome.

Meanwhile, Ben Pawson (assisted by Tim Newton) has been refurbishing the interior: painting the organ pipes and repairing and painting the plastered walls in the nave.

ALL SAINTS', ROOS

Wednesday 4th June: 7.30

Licensing as priest-in-charge of

Rev. Gordon Smethurst

The Bishop of Hull,

Rt. Rev. Richard Frith

All parishioners are invited to the service and to the buffet reception afterwards in Roos School.

Lighting Appeal

Dangerous and inadequate

In February "The Rooster" reported that the church's lighting system had been condemned as dangerous. In addition it provided inadequate illumination: the current lights give only about 14 lumens, far short of the recommended minimum of 100.

Escalating estimates of cost

The first estimate was over £8,000. Then a scheme was recommended that would cost some £15,000.

Faced with this near doubling of the already huge total, Parochial Church Council members rejected the scheme and asked for a less elaborate one - but one that would still comply with the requirements of the Disability Act.

The Repair & Maintenance Fund could provide a little over £4,000, except that the Fund is already earmarked for routine maintenance of the church and churchyard. The York Diocesan Board of Finance has generously offered to meet 10% of the cost up to a maximum of £1,000.

Fund-raising committee

A small committee is to consider ways of raising funds. Its members know that residents, whether churchgoers or not, value All Saints' and are often very generous in responding to local appeals. However, a house-to-house envelope scheme has been postponed for the moment.

It is hoped that events already planned will raise £800. Two events are planned for June : a music concert in church and an Open Gardens day.

Offers of help and suggestions for other events will be very welcome. Contact Sandra Crombie (670550), Kay Newton (671491) or Ben Pawson (671087).

All Saints', Roos "Lighten Our Darkness" Events to raise funds for the new lighting

MUSIC CONCERT IN CHURCH Thursday 19th June: 7.30

Supper afterwards: The Old Surgery, Rectory Road

OPEN GARDENS DAY

Sunday 29th June : 1.00 - 5.00 Garden produce for sale. Refreshments.

Posters will give more details of each event

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