

# The Rooster

#### Roos Parish Newsletter

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Dear Reader, you will have already noticed that your Rooster this month in set out in a different way to what you are normally used to. I hope that you will be able to make your way through it without any trouble. Leslie Helliwell is indisposed at the moment and we wish him well. Meanwhile I have taken over the reins for producing the Rooster for the time being. - Editor

### Roos Parish Council

The meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> November was attended by all but two of the councillors. Cllrs Kirk and Helliwell were unavailable and had sent their apologies. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm instead of the normal time of 7.30pm. This was done because the Council had asked representatives from the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and the Police to discuss with them the Aldbrough Crossroads issue.

#### **Aldbrough Crossroads**

At the meeting the ERYC was represented by John Lister and Simon Fraser from the Highways Department. The Police were represented by Inspector McGiveron from the Withernsea Station. County Councillors Stead and Hunt were also in attendance.

Mr Lister started the meeting off by setting the scene, emphasising what had already been done at the crossroads, and how those measures had reduced the number of accidents. He then produced photographs and diagrams to show what the ERYC intended to do to further improve the crossroads. The improvements will include the following – A new 40mph limit on the four roads approaching the crossing, thus bringing it within the 40mph speed limit. New signs of the large fluorescent type. 3-2-1 distance countdown signs on the Aldbrough approach road set at 300, 200 and 100 yards from the crossing, along the lines seen as one approaches a motorway slip road. A permanent island with a large illuminated bollard, in the centre of the Aldbrough Road, immediately before the crossroads. This will need a newly installed electrical supply. A widening of the approach to allow for the wide agricultural vehicles that regularly use the crossroads. The existing rumble strips will remain. Mr Lister pointed out that in his opinion this type of crossroads would not necessarily benefit from being 'staggered'.

Chairman Winter asked how soon the work could get underway. The Parish Council were pleased to hear that work would start early in the New Year. The introduction of the new speed limit would take a little longer because of the Road Traffic Order procedure. When asked if the funding was available, Mr Lister said that it was.

Simon Fraser pointed out that it was difficult to understand why accidents took place at the crossroads, but there was no accounting for bad driving. He had studied the new proposals closely and was impressed with what Mr Lister had come up with.

Inspector McGiveron, for the Police, said that the proposals were along the lines that she and her colleagues had been thinking of to improve safety at the crossroads. The Police were pleased with the proposals.

Both Councillors Stead and Hunt expressed delight at the new proposals. They thought the plans were excellent.

The photographs and plans of the new proposals were left for the Parish Councillors to study more closely. Mr Lister said that if there was need for further clarification the Councillors should contact him immediately.

The meeting ended at 7.30pm. The normal Parish Council meeting then commenced.

#### **Minutes and Matters Arising**

The Minutes of the meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> October were approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### Library & Information Services.

Cllr Craggs expressed concern that the Library Service at Tunstall may be withdrawn when the new service commences at Roos. The residents who regularly use the Tunstall library bus wish the service to continue.

#### Aldbrough Crossroads

The proposed meeting with Mr John Lister and Inspector McGiveron that had been requested took place this evening. See report above.

#### The Snaith Charity

Cllr Grant reported that, to date, no meeting had been arranged by the Trustees.

#### Fallen footpath sign

The post had been retrieved from the dyke, and Cllr Dodson said that he would look into re-siting it.

#### The phone kiosk at Tunstall

Cllr Craggs said that it had not yet been removed. BT had said that it would probably take some time to do so.

#### Streetscene

Cllr Craggs said that the requested improvements had still not been carried out. Several sections of the road into Tunstall badly needed kerbing, and the bus shelter roof appeared to be held on by a long piece of guttering. On the plus side he did report that the potholes in the road to the caravan park had been filled in.

#### Correspondence

#### Aldbrough Crossroads

The Chairman read out a letter from a Roos resident. She had been travelling on the road from Burton Pidsea and observed a car approaching the crossing at speed from Owstwick. The car failed to slow down, and shot across the crossing. Fortunately, she had slowed down sufficiently to avoid a collision. She later saw the car in Roos, noted its make and number, and contacted the police to report the incident. The police felt that since it would be the driver's word against hers, they would not be able to take any action. (Hopefully, the proposed safety measures will make such near miss incidents a thing of the past – Editor)

#### The Council's new blue recycling bin scheme

The ERYC had sent a questionnaire about the success of the scheme. The Chairman read through the questions, and Councillors' responses were recorded. C.Cllr Stead said that he believed that all residents would be asked to fill in the questionnaire.

#### The ERYC's campaign against Drink Driving

A poster had been received by the Council. This would be displayed on the village noticeboard. The Clerk said that she would get an additional poster to be displayed in Tunstall.

#### The East Yorkshire Citizens Advice Bureau Appeal

The Chairman read out a letter from Sheila Clark of the Bureau, pointing out the good work that the Bureau does, and the fact that it relies on donations to do its work. It was decided to leave the decision on making a donation until the next meeting so that Councillors can give some thought to it.

#### Parish Government Conference

The Chairman read out a letter from the Yorkshire Rural Community Conference. A programme and a booking form were also included. Details were noted by Councillors.

#### Composting Seminar

The Chairman read out a letter from John Kelly of the ERYC. It gave details of the Seminar on Community Composting, as part of its waste management scheme. Details were noted by Councillors.

#### **Planning**

#### **New Applications**

- 1 Change of use of land to site timber clad holiday units/caravans for holiday use as part of a farm diversification scheme at land south of Red Roofs, Southfield Lane, Tunstall. Applicant Mr David Grayson.
  The Chairman recommended that a decision be deferred until the next meeting. The plans had only just been received, and deferment would give Councillors time to study the plans closely, and to carry out a site visit.
- 2 Use of existing pond for commercial fishing. Construction of car park. The carrying out of landscaping work. The site is at land south of All Saints Church, Rectory Road, Roos. Applicant Wm Grant Paull Ltd. The Chairman pointed out that this plan had come up before and had been turned down by the County Council Planning Department. Councillors approved the new planning application.
- 3 Alterations and extensions to the dwelling at 'Schiehallion' Rectory Road, Roos. Applicant Mr & Mrs Gomme. Councillors approved this application.
- 4 Erection of a double garage to the rear at 'Beaufort', Roston Road, Roos. Applicant Mr C.T. Jeffs. Councillors approved this application.
- 5 Outline planning permission for the construction of two dwellings with detached garages, at land to the east of 'Beaufort', Roston Road, Roos. Applicant R.M.Dennis. Councillors deferred making a decision until details of the two dwellings were received.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer stated that £15.37 had been paid to the Gazette for the advert for a new Parish Council Clerk.

A bill of £124.00 was received from Dr Hearson for various work done throughout the Parish. Councillors approved the payment

The Treasurer reported that the Audit Report had been passed..

As in previous years the Councillors approved a donation of £50 to The British Legion.

A decision on the Parish Precept for 2005-6 was deferred until the next meeting, when the Council's commitments for the new financial year will be clearer.

#### **Any Other Business**

Cllr Craggs said that he had received a complaint from a Roos resident about the standing water on Hodgson Lane after a downpour. It does not help matters when inconsiderate motorists splash pedestrians as they walk along the edge of the road. Work has already been done on the drainage, but it is obviously not doing the job. This will be reported to the County Council.

A request was made by the Tunstall Village Hall Group for a sack of daffodil bulbs, to be planted round the village, as had happened last year. The request was looked upon favourably by Councillors, and Cllr Dodson said that he would look into the matter for the Group.

Cllr Cheeseman reported that the signpost at North End had been badly damaged and needed repairing. The appropriate Council Department will be contacted.

#### **Public Session**

Dr Hearson reported that a small bridge at the side of the road on the way to Burton Pidsea has collapsed and needed repairing. Councillors agreed that the problem should be looked into.

#### **Private Session**

The Chairman reported that he had, to date, received three applications for the position of Parish Clerk. Councillors agreed that a small sub committee should interview the applicants and make an appointment. The successful applicant would attend the December meeting, along with the outgoing Clerk.

#### A way of saying "thank-you"

Having fought and won a five-year battle with cancer, I wanted to give something back to Ward 10 at Castle Hill Hospital. My business partner and I, in collaboration with the nursing sister, launched the Ward 10 Fund to raise enough money for an electronic bed.

We have had car boot sales, BBQs, a Sixties Night at a club at Hessle and a night at the Ideal Standards Club in Hull that raised £905. After only one year we were in a position to buy the bed. We have met some very nice people during our joint efforts and I am so glad both to be alive and to have achieved something positive from a serious situation.

I thank everyone who gave wonderful prizes for raffles and tombolas. I give special thanks to Melbourne Butchers for baking extra portions of their superb pastries, bread, burgers and sausages. (On two occasions the bread cakes were free.)

My next venture is a CD, recorded with an old friend and a very talented songwriter-lyricist. This is a project dear to my heart – and my husband's wallet – but if we sell enough CDs to cover costs, a percentage of profits will go to the Ward 10 Fund. It will help provide further equipment to help not only patients but also the working environment of the nurses and doctors. The CD should be ready by December. I will try to get it onto the radio and into shops, so look and listen out for it. It will make a great gift. Contact me to buy a copy for a minimum of £5.

There will be a beautiful song called "How Many Times?" about a person trying to assure a loved one that love continues, no matter what. When you lose part of your body you need to let those you care about know how you feel about them. This song means a lot to me personally. I hope it will speak to others facing their own difficult times. Please help to make this venture another success.

Julie Green (Linden Lea, Lamb Lane, Roos)

#### **Church News**

It has been a busy and successful year for us. The lighting system has been installed, and work has commenced on the vandalised west window. Our thanks go out to all who have helped.

Soil is required to raise the level of the north end of the new churchyard. This would make interments easier and prolong the life of the graveyard. All contributions are welcome. If you can help, please ring Tim Newton on 671659.

A children's area has been set up in the church to occupy them if the service proves uninteresting to them.

Although the number of churchgoers is good by modern standards we are always looking to increase our congregation. We are a friendly church, so why not come along and join us? Roos is also one of the few churches with a bell ringing team. If you fancy having a go, you will receive an enthusiastic welcome.

The charity shop continues to be popular. Not only do people make purchases, they also treat it as a place to socialise. We hope to continue as long as this remains so.

As Christmas approaches, the use of the Memorial Institute will be in big demand. We will let people know as soon as possible of any Saturday when Normal Service will be halted.

On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November the Old Curiosity Shop will be open at the Institute for one week only. This a joint School, Institute and Church venture. It is much appreciated that the people of Roos have raised thousands of pounds to help these three vital buildings.

Roos is a lively and caring community, and this is the reason why people choose to live there. Thanks go out to all who make it so.

Tim & Kay Newton - churchwardens

#### **Church Events**

December 2004

5<sup>th</sup> – A united service in the parish church

12<sup>th</sup> – Methodist service in the Memorial Institute

19th - Carol service in the Memorial Institute

For further details and times - contact C Houlton - Chapel Steward

#### **Roos Parish Council**

Monday 13th December

7.30 p.m. in The Memorial Institute Members of the Public always Welcome

#### **Tunstall News**

#### A Hint of Christmas

#### with

#### **Sheila Meadley**

Tunstall Village Hall November 25th 2004 7.30pm Admission £2.00 Cooking Demo-Tasting-Recipe Cards Tea-Coffee-Biscuits-Raffle Proceeds to All Saints Church, Tunstall

Tunstall Village Hall

#### **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2.00pm Stalls Tombola Refreshments Tombola prizes always welcome (Contact Pat Garbutt on 671645) Proceeds to the upkeep of the Village Hall

All Welcome

The Rooster

#### Many thanks for recent donations

Further donations will be welcome. Suggested minimum donation: £3.00. (Maximum: £5.00).

Mrs E.Billany Mr & Mtrs H.J.Gregg

Mr & Mrs P.M.Kitchen 2005: Mr & Mrs B.N.Reckitt

Contributions may be left at the Roos Store. Please supply in an envelope marked "The Rooster" and enclose details of the amount and the donor's name and address.

The bank requires cheques to be payable to "L.Helliwell". No individual receipts are issued but the donors' names are normally printed as an acknowledgement in the newsletter.

For the next few issues no acknowledgements will be printed but they will be resumed in due course.

#### Traffic accidents in Roos Parish Noting, reporting, logging

If you witness an accident or near-accident please note the date, time, licence numbers, witnesses, etc.

Unless it would be insensitive to do so, take photographs at the time or as soon as possible afterwards.

Inform "The Rooster" so that the log can be updated.

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#### Temporary change of Editor

David Craggs is acting as Editor for the time being.

See the panel below for his contact details.

#### ROOSTER DEADLINE

Please pass news, reports, notices, letters, photographs, suggestions, complaints, donations ... by

#### Friday 10th December

to David Craggs, V2 Sand-le-Mere, Tunstall, 01964 - 671580 or to Gavin Eastman at the Roos Store.

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#### **Ambitious Plans at Tunstall**

The Tunstall Village Hall Group, an active, young-at-heart group of senior citizens, have felt for a long time that the piece of Parish land between the church and the village hall was under utilised. When they got the opportunity to become custodians of half the land they grabbed it wholeheartedly. Their plans are to create a garden by tastefully landscaping the area. A grant from Living Spaces, part of the Countryside Agency, has been applied for, and if their application is successful their plans will be put into operation early next year.

Their plans for the garden are, to say the least, ambitious. They want to create a garden that is mainly grassed, but with paved and gravelled areas. It will have a patio and a central circular paved area with a feature of some sort that will portray the village of Tunstall. There will be several shrubs and mature trees as well as well stocked flowerbeds. There will also be some garden seats, and the two old gates will be replaced by new ones. The aim is to create a 'low maintenance' garden so that once established all members of the group can be actively involved.

The garden will be there for the benefit of all. The Village Hall Group, to which all are welcome, meet every Wednesday throughout the year for afternoon tea, but it is hoped that throughout next summer they will be able to 'take tea on the patio' on comfortable garden chairs and under colourful parasols. The garden will also be ideal for the fun raising activities that are held during the summer.

There is, of course, a possibility that the grant application will be unsuccessful. In that event the Group will still press ahead as their financial position allows. It is anticipated that most of the work could still be done. In fact the area of land has already been fenced off from the adjoining area by a wire fence, and from the churchyard by an attractive cedar red lap fence.

Of Course, once the major work gets underway any help will be appreciated, what ever form that help takes. And any contribution of trees, shrubs and bedding plants will also be much appreciated. It is hoped that the garden will look something like this —

