

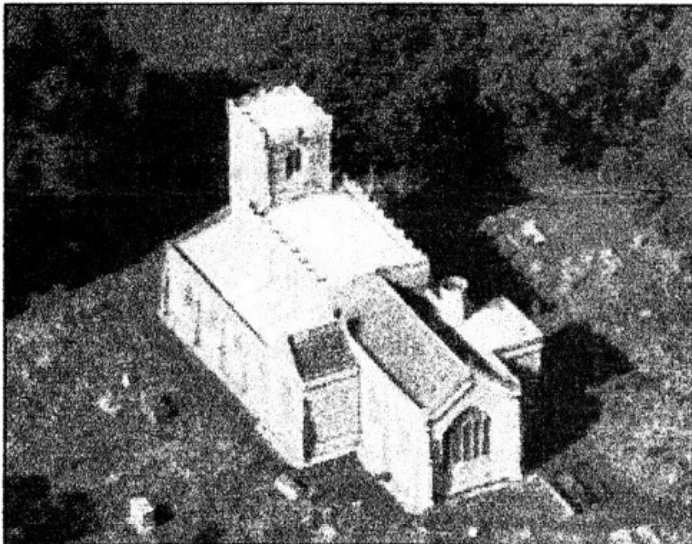
The Rooster

Distressing assault on All Saints', Roos

Thieves vandalise the church roof to make off with the lead

On Tuesday 17th April when the church bellringers went for their usual practice they found that they could see the sky through the roof in the north aisle near the tower. Lead had also been stolen from the east end of the north aisle.

The Churchwardens contacted the police who gave us a crime number.



This aerial view from the south-east hides the vandalised north aisle – in complete shadow to the right of the main nave.

Next morning it was discovered that all the lead on the porch roof had also been stolen. Kemps, our preferred contactor for the church repairs, attended and have made the building weather-tight with sheeting.

It was found that a vehicle had been parked near the field gate on the lane adjacent to the water-treatment plant. The lead had been thrown off the roof, dragged through the graveyard and dropped on to the vehicle from the churchyard wall.

Having spent over a year raising a large amount of money towards the English Heritage funded repairs it is heart-breaking to see the vandalism of a part of the roof that was in quite good condition.

People may be wondering why the restoration work on the church has not already started. This is because the building is a registered bat colony and their breeding season is from May until September. We now have to have a specialist survey done to find out whether the bats are actually roosting in the church or merely using it as a feeding ground.

Anyone walking through the churchyard who sees anything suspicious is asked to contact the police on :

0845 6060222

Tim and Kay Newton
Churchwardens.

The Rooster Association

Donations (3rd March to 10th April)

The Association Committee thank the following.

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| Anon 6 | Hopper, Mr & Mrs M.H. |
| Barker, Mr & Mrs T. | Jackson, Mr & Mrs I. |
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| Bleasby, Ms L.E. | Mathews, Mr & Mrs I. |
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| Hoe, Mr & Mrs W. | Wright, Mr & Mrs P.J. |

105 households have now donated £560.00 for 2007.

Further donations

If you intend to contribute but have not yet done so please post / deliver your donation to

Ken Cross,
Tall Trees, 1 Hinch Garth,
Roos, HU12 0HR

or leave at the Roos Store in an envelope marked *Rooster*.

Please enclose a slip giving your name, address, phone number and the amount.

Please note that any cheques must be payable to

The Rooster Association.

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Roos Parish Council meeting, 12th March

Six members were present and there were two apologies for absence. Five members of the public attended.

No changes were recorded to members' declarations of interests.

The Minutes of the February meeting were approved.

Matters arising from the minutes

Streetscene follow-up

The Chairman and Clerk had met Mr Roberts (Highways) who said that three dropped pavements at crossing points would be provided in the next financial year and a further three the year after. He also agreed to remedy the flooded footpath on Main Street and the footway mud and verge damage on Rectory Road. (Members noted that that the latter had already been rectified with a new gully.)

Pilmar Lane, Roos, and Manor Farm, Tunstall

The Chairman and Clerk had met Geoff Preston of ERYC Valuation & Estates Department following two requests to purchase parcels of parish land. Mr Preston would report after he had consulted with the legal team.

Threat to local hospitals

The Parish Council had objected to all four options offered by the East Riding of Yorkshire Primary Care Trust. Receipt of the letter had been acknowledged.

Parish Plan : Health & Social Care

Dr Blackburn had acknowledged the Parish Council request to offer evening surgeries and would be in touch in the near future.

Parish Plan : Leisure & Recreation

The Chairman reported that the Playing Field Committee was exploring the cost of providing picnic tables.

Sign to Playing Field

The Area Engineer had agreed to install a sign but said that there might be some delay owing to a backlog.

Wind farm planning applications

David Cox (Planning) had reported that the two existing applications would now be considered with that for the pending Monkwith application when submitted.

Planning applications

New

East View, South End, Roos (Mr & Mrs Herschell-Smith)

Erection of detached single-storey annexe. Members recommended refusal for the reasons recorded for previous similar applications.

Monkwith Wind Farm (EnergieKontor)

Responses were required by the end of April. It was agreed to circulate the many weighty documents to members and take a decision at the next meeting.

Planning consents

5 Becksid Manor, South End, Roos

Single-storey extension to the rear.

8 Becksid Manor, South End, Roos

Two-storey extension; single-storey extension to side; single-storey extension to front.

Refusal of consent

Elm Cottage, Elm Garth, Roos

Extension at side with first-floor sitting area served by four roof lights; erection of porch to rear

Correspondence

Yorkshire Wildlife Trust

The Trust requested a donation of £15.00 towards the provision of up to two nesting boxes in the parish. The donation was agreed, the boxes to be delivered to Cllr Dodson for erection.

Parish Plan film visit; Parish website

Mr Willis Ainley reported that the Rural Community Council visit might not be to make a film but to hold a photo session .

ERYC had requested a domain name for the website and *roosparish.info* was available at £24.99 for two years.. It was agreed to pay the fee.

ERYC : Electoral Register update

There were four additions and two removals to be noted.

Parish Council election, 3rd May 2007

The Clerk passed to each member a pack of nomination/ guidance notes. The Clerk had a limited number of election packs for residents who wished to stand. Packs were also available at Customer Service Centres and County Hall. All nominations had to be received by noon on Wednesday 4th April 2007.

Treasurer's report

The Treasurer had received two rents.

Members agreed to pay £655.00 for work done on parish paths. This exhausted the current year's grant.

Parish Plan : The Rural Environment

It was agreed to contact the Tree Preservation Officer to discuss proposed preservation orders.

Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour

It was agreed to invite the police to a future meeting, possibly in June after the local elections.

Any other business : Next meeting

The Chairman pointed out that the usual meeting date would fall on Easter Monday. It was agreed to hold the next meeting a week later.

(The April Council Report will appear in the next issue.)

★ **East Riding & Parish Council elections** ★
★ **Thursday 3rd May 2007** ★
★ **REMEMBER TO VOTE!** ★

Roos Parish Council Meeting
Monday 14th May
7.30 in Roos Memorial Institute
First meeting of the new Council
Members of the public always welcome

Roos WI

The meeting on 4th April was chaired by Mrs M.Pinnock, Vice-President, who explained that the President and Secretary (Mrs H. Boynton and Mrs M.Stephenson) were away on a well-deserved break to the Eden Project in Cornwall with the East Riding Federation of WIs.

This being the case, the minutes of the last meeting were read by Vice-Secretary, Mrs P. Brown.

Many favourable comments including "fantastic", "super" and "wonderful" were made by members about our visit to the New Theatre to see the production of *Titanic* by the Hesse Theatre Company.

Mrs D. Walker reported on the very successful first Pig Bingo. There is to be another one on Tuesday 10th April at 7.30 and a further one is in the planning stage for 15th May.

Mrs M. Winter reminded us about arrangements to visit Hull Docks on 19th April and also about forthcoming visits to Dowthorpe Hall, Skirlaugh, on 20th June at 7.00 p.m., the Police Horse Stables at Walkington on 19th July and a requested return visit to Yorkshire Pork Butchers (Kirkwoods) at Halsham on 16th October.

Mrs Boynton, as Warden, had asked that everyone who supported the recent Coffee Morning at Eastfield Estate be thanked. The magnificent sum of £230.00 was raised.

The speaker for the evening was Mrs Mary Wood and her subject was *An Evening of Twisted Humour*. She told her life story in rhyme and held her audience in admiration. She has had four books printed, works at Seven Seas and looks after her home, husband and 3 children. She is a very local lady and all her poems have a twist at the end.

Unfortunately our booked speaker had to cancel and we were very grateful to Mrs Wood for stepping in at short notice. The vote of thanks was proposed Mrs B. Stephenson.

Mrs M.Lee gave the answers to last month's quiz. The Winner was Peggy Brown.

The competition winners were Mrs. I.Helliwall for a holiday memento and Mrs. P Brown for the flower of the month.

After a cup of tea and biscuits, the raffle was drawn and Mrs. Pittock thanked members for coming.

Roos W.I. continues either to maintain or increase its membership each year and this bucks the national trend.

However, Roos ladies, we attract new members from many villages around Roos and not so many from the actual village. Please come and try one of our meetings. You can be assured of a warm welcome.

Roos Youth Club

The advent of daylight hours means that that the most favoured activities (rugby, football and rounders) can resume outside again, leaving the clubhouse open to the ladies' gentler pastimes. We over-wintered on a mix of quizzes & indoor games, but have not managed to hang the punch-bag anywhere yet (a much needed release).

We are presently looking at avenues of funding to tarmac over the car park. This would not only extend the life of local washing machines considerably but should create an area to serve for basketball, tennis, and five-a-side football and provide a mud-free playground for the After-School Club.

Wish lists apart, it's been a great winter with no injuries or breakages – testimony indeed considering the size, age & hormonal mix usually present. We are justly proud of those members whose time and muscle repaired the Zip Swing (saving an unbelievable sum of money for the repair) and also, under supervision, designed, built and painted the 3 heavy-duty picnic tables for everyone to enjoy at the playing field.

Club funds are healthy and will subsidise a trip to Rock City in the near future, with other events in the pipeline.

We are open at the Pavilion every Friday 7.0 to 9.0 pm for ages 11+.

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Roos Children's Playground Association

Mrs Ann Coupe, for RCPA, reports that the aerial runway is now repaired and the children love playing on it.

The grass is being cut regularly now that the playing field has dried out.

Three picnic tables have been installed.

Car Boot Sale

Sunday 6th May

Roos Playing Field

9.00 – 1.00

Vehicles to be set up 8.30 – 9.00

Food & refreshments

Proceeds in support of the Roos Cricket Club and the Roos Playground Association

Church news

Anglican : Roos United Benefice

Garton-with-Grimston, St Michael Hilston, St Margaret
Roos, All Saints' Tunstall, All Saints'.

From Rev Gordon Smethurst, Roos Rectory (671744)

Easter

Congratulations to all those, at home or on holiday, who put aside busyness to give God some quality time and wonder at the forgiveness and promise revealed by the Cross and Resurrection. Easter, even more than Christmas, has been the time when believers flock to their churches.

Congratulations to Roos School for another good Easter Garden Service in All Saints' Church and for the lively choir's concert in the school hall. Family support for both, again, was encouraging.

Funding repairs to the church roof

I have just received a letter from our new Archdeacon of the East Riding expressing his pleasure at the large English Heritage grant that Tim Newton and the Friends of Roos Church have worked so hard to obtain. He is only too aware of the arduous paperwork such an application involves.

Thank you to many of you for the generous donations so far. We have about £30,000 still to raise for the work to be completed.

Roos Benefice Calendar

HC = Holy Communion BCP = Book of Common Prayer
CW = Common Worship MP / EP = Morning / Evening Prayer

April

- 21 Sat 10.00- Roos. **The Vicar receives gifts for the**
2.00 **Church Roof Fund.**
- 22 Sun 9.00 Tunstall. HC. BCP.
10.30 Roos. HC. CW.
6.30 Garton. EP. BCP. Canon Dias.
- 25 Wed 7.30 The Bailey, South End, Roos.
The Friends of Roos Church.
- 29 Sun 10.00 Roos. **Benefice Service.**

Alec's Patch

In the garden this month

Shrubs and roses

During the present dry weather remember to water newly-planted roses and shrubs. After rain, mulch the beds with garden compost, manure or bark / wood chips to conserve moisture and suppress weeds.

Herbaceous plants

Lift and divide old clumps. Save the outer sections and plant on clean ground.

Bulbs

Remove faded flowers from early bulbs. Daffodil leaves should be left until late May to allow the bulbs to recover and build up reserves for next year.

Lawns

Mow little and often. Do not cut lower than half an inch (or three-eighths for fine turf). Mowing too closely damages many lawns. The grass is weakened and weeds and moss take over.

May

- 6 Sun 9.00 Garton. HC. BCP.
10.30 Memorial Institute, Roos. United Service
with Methodists.
11.00 Garton. Baptism of Harry Thomas Stott.
2.00 Roos. Baptism of Daniel James Stone.
- 9 Wed 7.30 The Old School, Roos. Roos PCC.
- 13 Sun 9.00 Tunstall. HC. CW.
10.30 Roos. HC. CW.
6.30 Garton. Evensong. BCP.
- 17 Thu **Ascension Day.**
7.30 Halsham. **Deanery Service.**
- 20 Sun 10.30 Roos. MP. CW.
3.00 Hilston. HC. BCP.
6.30 Garton. Evensong. BCP.
**The Friends of Garton Church with The
Lascarina Singers.**
Reception afterwards at Grimston Garth.
6.30 **St Augustine's, Hedon.**
Deanery Confirmation Service.
The Bishop of Hull.
- 27 Sun **Whit Sunday**
9.00 Tunstall. HC. BCP.
10.30 Roos. HC. CW.
6.30 Garton. Evensong. BCP.

Methodist Services

10.30 in the Memorial Institute, Roos

April

Service conducted by :

29 Mr D. Houlton, B.Sc.

May

6 Mr R. Brown..

13 Rev J. Brown.

20 (No service.)

Roos Parish Council Election 3rd May 2007

Candidates

Michael Cheeseman	Retired	Northlands, Tunstall Road, Roos
Ann Coupe	Independent	56 Pilmar Lane, Roos.
Jackie Cracknell	Independent	Pasture House, Hilston.
David Craggs		V2 Sand-le-Mere.
Alec Dodson	Landscape Gardener.	Avondale, Main St, Roos.
Kenneth Grant		Elm Farm, Roos.
David Kirk	Independent	The Bungalow, Main St, Roos.
Gwenda Moore	Independent	Church Farm, Hilston.
Bob Smales	Farmer Contractor	Owstwick Hall.
John Ward	Independent	46 Pilmar Lane, Roos.
David Winter		3 Chestnut Garth, Roos.

9 vacancies. 11 candidates

For the first time for many years Roos will have a poll – residents can actually choose their councillors.

Each elector may vote for up to nine of the candidates.

Implementation of the Roos Parish Plan

The Parish Plan was adopted as Parish Council policy in February 2006. It has been distributed to relevant East Riding officers and is being used when Roos Parish matters are being considered.

Willis Ainley has provided a lengthy audit of the work already done during the year to February 2007. Some examples are quoted below. Further details will appear in the next issue.

PATHS

The Plan recommended a survey of footpaths within settlements with a view to their improvement.

Outcome

Parish paths monies have been used to resurface with chippings most of Dove Lane and parts of the footpath from Main Street to Beechwood views.

CONSERVATION AREAS

The Plan recommended that parts of the parish should be considered for conservation area status : Hilston; parts of Roos south of Lamb Lane including Dents Garth; All Saints' church and parts of Rectory Road.

The Plan also recommended that the Parish Council should initiate a scheme of tree planting and seek Preservation Orders for many trees.

Outcome

The Parish Council invited Mr Edward Atkinson (ERYC Conservation Officer) to one of their meetings. He explained the procedures and time-scale in applying for Conservation Status. He suggested that Tunstall should be included and offered to provide an appraisal for public consultation. Concern for trees would be included in the appraisal.

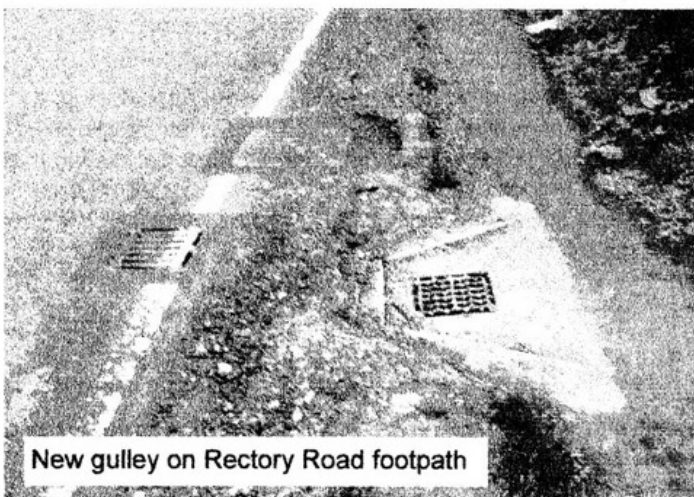
In February 2007 the Parish Council agreed to proceed

ROADS AND TRAFFIC

Conduct a survey of roads within each settlement frequently used by pedestrians and undertake a risk assessment of each of the sites identified by residents as a potential danger.

Outcome

Surface-water drains on Rectory Road have been repositioned to be more effective and a drain has been installed on the footpath.



Other major roadworks – for example, in Hodgson Lane – will follow as funds allow.

The ERYC Streetscene programme tidied up aspects of the parish. Several locations have been identified for the installation of dropped kerbs.

Following several accidents and pressure from the Parish Council, the Aldbrough crossroads have been realigned.

Landscaping with tree-planting will provide screening as the trees mature.

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Tunstall News

AGM

The Tunstall Village Hall Group held its annual general meeting in the village hall on Wednesday, 28th March. The meeting was well attended and reports were read out by the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.

After several years of dedicated service, Pat and Brian Garbutt have decided to stand down. The members of the Group expressed their sincere thanks to both of them and presented them with a gift voucher in appreciation of their work.

Dave Craggs was asked to continue as Chairman and Christine and Stephen Midgley were proposed and elected as the new Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Although newcomers to the village they have become committed members of the Group since joining last year.

A programme of events for 2007 has been proposed and the Group are looking forward to its implementation with enthusiasm and a renewed vigour.

Spring Fayre - Saturday, 28th April, 2007

Our first event of the year is the Spring Fayre. The doors open at 2.00 pm and there will be stalls for home-made cakes, plants, bric-a-brac, toys, books and videos. There will also be a tombola and a raffle. Refreshments will be served.

If you are in the process of having a 'sort-out' at home, any items in good condition would be most welcome for our bric-a-brac, books and video stalls. Please deliver such items to the village hall any Wednesday afternoon between 2.30 and 3.30 pm or place them in a carrier bag and leave them in the porch.

Tunstall Village Hall - Spring Fayre

Saturday, 28th April 2007

Doors Open: 2.00 pm

Home Made Cakes, Plants,
Bric-a-brac, Toys, Books
and Videos, Tombola, Raffle
and Refreshments



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Articles, letters, notices, announcements,
observations, drawings, photographs,
words of appreciation, ... grumbles...

by

Friday 11th May

to

Tim Newton, The Old School, Pilmar Lane,
Roos, HU12 0HE. (01964-6716569)

Family Fish Pie

Ingredients

1lb of cod	2 level blsp chopped parsley
1 pint milk	Pinch of nutmeg
2oz butter	4 hard-boiled eggs,
2oz flour	quartered
1 level tsp salt	1½ lbs peeled potatoes
¼ level tsp white pepper	

Instructions

Wash the fish. Put it in a saucepan with the milk and simmer for 10 minutes or until the fish can be flaked with a fork. Strain the milk into a container. Skin and flake the fish, removing any bones.

Rinse the pan, melt the butter in it and stir in the flour.

Cook for two minutes and then stir in the milk. Cook the sauce for a further 2 minutes, stirring until thickened. Add salt, pepper, nutmeg and flaked fish and mix well.

Taste and check the seasoning. Lightly fold in the quartered eggs. Put the mixture into a shallow 3-pint oven-proof dish and leave to cool.

Boil the potatoes; drain and mash with a little milk and butter. Season to taste. Spread over the fish mixture and mark with a fork.

Reheat when required in a hot oven (425F-Gas No.7 220C-Fan 200) for 30-40 minutes. Add vegetables if desired.

Serves 6

The curiousness of curates

Clergy like making jokes at their own expense but curates are most often the favoured target.

Because of a famous cartoon in *Punch* everybody at one time knew what a "curate's egg" was. The curate was being given breakfast by his bishop who noticed that the young man was struggling to eat up.

Bishop Mr Jones, I fear you've been given a bad egg.

Curate Oh no, my lord. I assure you. It's really quite good in parts.

Not the funniest of anecdotes but more amusing because the embarrassment was suffered by a curate.

The parish magazine of St Nicholas, Beverley, once had a whole page of curate jokes. They had become, so to speak, a clerical habit. Here are some examples.

- A curate lost his voice at a Saturday football match. He was due to preach on the Sunday and decided to seek advice from his vicar. He knocked on the vicar's door but was unsettled when it was opened by the vicar's attractive teenage daughter. "Is the vicar in?" he whispered. "No," she answered, also whispering, thinking she'd got the message. "But it's all right. Come on in."
- Hospital patient: "That new curate can stay longer in an hour than most people do in a week."
- The vicar asked his curate why he was always late in the morning. "My problem, came the reply, "is that I sleep very slowly."