



The Rooster

Roos Parish Newsletter

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Roos Parish Council

The meeting on 13th February was attended by : Cllrs Michael Cheeseman, Ken Cook, Alec Dodson, Kenneth Grant, Leslie Helliwell, Barbara Kirk, and David Winter (Chair). East Riding Cllr Richard Stead was also present.

Apologies for absence : Cllrs David Craggs and Jane Smales.

Declarations of members` interests

No changes were notified.

Minutes

The Minutes of the January meeting were approved.

Correspondence

Mr McWatt : Wind turbines

Mr John McWatt, Chair of Rimswell Parish Council, urged local parish councils to collaborate in opposing onshore turbine planning applications. Cllr Winter said that Mr McWatt would speak in the public session later.

ERYC : Landscape Character Assessment

The assessment has identified 80 distinct areas throughout the whole East Riding. Each is assessed in terms of quality, value, sensitivity and capacity for development. The assessment will influence planning decisions. Copies cost £55.00 + p & p or the document may be viewed on :

www.eastriding.gov.uk/planning/ldf

ERYC : Sustainability Matrix

A copy of the matrix had been sent. It tabulates for each parish in the East Riding its scores on various criteria to assess its overall capacity for growth.

Meetings are to be held for parish council representatives to discuss the implications of the matrix for their own area. One meeting will be in Withernsea on 23rd February. Cllr Kirk said that she would like to attend. It was agreed that Mr Willis Ainley, Chair of the Parish Plan Committee, should also be invited to attend as a parish representative.

ERYC : Aldbrough Road

A temporary (18-month) 40 mph speed restriction was to be set to allow construction of the staggered junction.

Access would remain open. Cllr Helliwell noted that it was intended eventually to make the restriction permanent.

ERYC : Local arts events

A poster has already been displayed publicising the events, including "The Good Old Days" at the Northfield, 2.00 pm on 17th March. (Tickets @ £4.00 from the Withernsea Customer Service Centre.)

Strategic Health Trust consultation

Two public meetings have already been held about proposed changes. The Trust invited members to comment on the proposals.

RES : Proposed wind farm at Sunderland Farm, Roos

In preparation for a public consultation, Renewable Energy Systems sought comments on the "visual representations" they should provide, including viewpoints from which photomontages should be constructed.

ERYC : Register of Electors

Six changes were notified.

ERYC : Community Cohesion

A trainee researcher wanted advice on the ways in which the community welcomes newcomers :

How do we know when new people move in? What do we do then? Would the parish like ERYC to supply a welcome pack with details of our parish? Could ERYC help in other ways?

A short questionnaire was answered during the meeting.

Cllr Helliwell said that the Parish Plan recommended a welcome pack for newcomers. It would be better produced locally rather than be a small part of an ERYC document. No member disagreed.

ERYC : Information on planning applications

ERYC planned to pass information to parish councillors on the its website and via e-mail.

A questionnaire asked about the Parish Council`s ability to access such information.

In order to supply the details the Parish Clerk updated her note of members` individual e-mail addresses.

East Hull Park & Ride

Although the scheme at Queen Elizabeth Dock was intended as a temporary means of reducing Hull

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Roos Parish Council Meeting

Monday 13th March

7.30 p.m. in The Memorial Institute

Members of the public always welcome

traffic while North Bridge was being refurbished, its popularity has led to its being extended. It will be subject to regular review.

ERYC : Chairman`s Awards

Judging will take place in February and the winners will be announced at a ceremony in May. (The Parish Council nominated Mr & Mrs Walter Holbrook and Mrs Ann Coupe.)

ERYC : Parish Council liaison meetings

A summary was received of issues discussed at the councillors` meetings in Goole, Bridlington and Beverley. It included discussion of the Sustainability Matrix referred to in a previous item. A covering letter referred again to the meeting in Withernsea on 23rd February.

Roos School : Not a source of litter

Mrs Farey, Headteacher, responded to the letter requesting help in reducing litter. She said that litter did not come from the school, which had its own bins. Litter left by youths after hours was put into the school`s bins. The school had projects to improve its own environment and Mrs Farey was keen to collaborate in any Parish Council initiatives to improve the environment in general.

ERYC : Streetscene

Officers would carry out a preliminary inspection of the streets in August. The full "Streetscene" walk to identify desirable improvements would take place on 11th September.

ERYC & Hull City Council : Target 45

The two councils are collaborating on a draft joint strategy for sustainable waste management called "Target 45+". For details see :

www.target45plus.org.uk/ccam/navigation/information-and-consultation/

A hard copy is available on request.

The strategy is based on consultants` recommendations for dealing with municipal waste. The scenario envisages a high recycling rate of 45% (hence Target 45) and the generation of energy from the residual waste.

The draft strategy is intended as a consultation document. Responses – how to achieve the 45% target or exceed it – are invited by 28th February. They should be sent either by e-mail to :

target45plus@eastriding.gov.uk

or to :

M.Lewer, Senior Sustainable Development Officer (Waste),
JF85, County Hall, Beverley, East Yorkshire, HU17 9BA.

ERYC : Rough Sleeping

The Housing Services Manager requested collaboration in a survey to be carried out on a specific date, Wednesday 1st March. Details were sought of persons in the parish known to be sleeping rough on that date.

Dog fouling

Cllr Helliwell tabled an anonymous letter passed to him by "a responsible dog owner". A member observed that the writer should have been brave enough to sign the letter.

Planning

Decisions by the Area Planning Committee

46 Pilmar Lane, Roos (Mr & Mrs J, Ward)

Erection of conservatory. Approved.

South of the Old Rectory, Roos (Mr & Mrs T.Stone)

New vehicular access to paddock for agricultural use. Resubmission. Approved.

22 Pilmar Lane, Roos (Mr C.Kettley)

Single-storey extension. Approved. Condition : the garage to be used for the dwelling, not for commercial purposes.

New application

58 Pilmar Lane, Roos (Mr & Mrs P.Moate)

Full planning consent sought for a single-storey extension. Members recommended approval.

Accounts

Members approved payment of an account tabled by Cllr Winter, Treasurer :

ERYC Grass-cutting at Tunstall in 2005 £90.76

Draft Parish Plan

Some councillors had been able to attend a special presentation about the draft in the Memorial Institute. All had been supplied with a copy. The draft was approved as a Parish Council document.

(It will now be submitted with supporting data to the Community Council in Leeds. This should result in release of the remaining grant to meet future costs, mainly the printing bill.)

Any other business

Aldbrough crossroads

Cllr Dodson noted that some preparatory work for the new junction was already under way. He assumed that phone lines under the verges were being moved.

Members knew that the work was once to have been completed by December 2005. Cllr Stead said that there had been delay because of tight funding. It was agreed to seek a current estimate of the likely date of completion.

PUBLIC SESSION

Parish Plan Committee

Mr Willis Ainley, Committee Chairman, commented on points raised in the meeting.

Landscape Assessment Report. The Report included two chapters relevant to Roos Parish.

Roads and footpaths : meetings with Highways officers

The officers had been shown photographs of roads and footpaths under mud and water. They regularly inspected the roads but would come again when the weather was especially wet. They admitted that Hodgson Lane needed complete regrading but the work could not currently be afforded, though an additional footpath might be possible. The footpath on Rectory Road might be improvable by changing the level of the gullies.

The officers had been urged to include the whole parish, not just Roos village, during the Streetscene operation in August and September.

Welcome pack for newcomers. A pack for Roos parish would be better than an East Riding pack.

Litter and dog fouling. Offenders could be penalised under existing legislation. The problem was apprehension and enforcement.

A Tunstall resident said that the Parish Plan had not dealt with the issue of mud on the Tunstall roads. Mrs Cherie Blenkin said that there was a need to protect wetland sites.

Cllr Dodson complimented the Committee on the Parish Plan. It was very thorough and well organised and must have occupied a vast amount of their time.

Wind Turbines

A separate report is given below.

Hedges and Dog fouling

Mrs Ann Coupe said that the hedges on the track to the

playing field needed cutting back and asked who was responsible. The Chairman, on behalf of the Playing Field Committee, said that they were.

Mrs Coupe also complained that, though dogs were forbidden, owners were exercising their animals on the playing field and the track to it. (See her Children's Playground item below.)

PUBLIC SESSION (Continued)

Wind turbines

Mr John McWatt

When E.ON UK first introduced the Tedder Hill project to local councils Mr McWatt had offered to act as contact person for E.ON.

He had asked to speak at the present meeting because, along with other Rimswell residents, he wanted to urge the importance of collaboration between parishes to oppose wind turbines in our area..

He gathered that in order to build the wind farm the parts and materials would have to be transported via Withernsea to Rimswell and then over a new road to be made across a 100-year-old meadow.

In a letter Chantal Thomas had claimed that 86% of those attending E.ON's consultation in Roos had been in favour of the project. Mr McWatt said that the photomontages had been unhelpful : better viewpoints should have been used. Chantal replied that the viewpoints had been chosen by the East Riding, though this was disputed.

Mr McWatt said that there would be a sub-station the size of a double garage, though its siting was not yet known. Too much information was still not available. Further, the opinion survey carried out in Roos was now invalid since the issue was now not 3 turbines but 14 since RES had a project for 11 at Sunderland Farm.

Mr McWatt wanted joint action to oppose wind turbines and a public meeting to mount it. He intended to write to all relevant parish councils to solicit support.

Other contributions

Cllr Mrs Barbara Kirk. Mrs Kirk read extracts from a letter from RES to residents in Pinfold Lane – and presumably to others who might deem themselves affected by the Sunderland Farm project. There was an invitation to the exhibition in Roos on 22nd February and an offer of a personal visit by the writer. The letter described the reputation of RES in producing green electricity and outlined the community benefits to local residents, including, "perhaps cheaper electricity to local householders..."

Mr David Kirk. Mr Kirk said that the Parish Plan showed that residents valued the openness and peace of the countryside which would be spoilt by turbines, power lines and sub-stations. Parishes must take joint action.

Mrs Cherie Blenkin. Mrs Blenkin said that access for RES to Sunderland Farm would be by a track near the drain south of the church. There could be an effect on drainage and Roos Bog, an SSSI (site of special scientific interest).

Mr Mike Blanchard. Mr Blanchard said that SHOWT

still existed (South Holderness Opposes Wind Turbines). A joint SHOWT committee should be set up for Rimswell, Roos and other parishes. He proposed a public meeting after the RES presentation. It should be held in Roos on Saturday 25th February. The proposal was well supported.

Mr Richard Priest. Mrs Kirk read a letter from Mr Priest, who lives part of the way to Sunderland Farm. He asked who would stand to gain financially from wind turbines there. He was concerned about their effect on horses kept by his family. Unspoilt views over open countryside would be ruined by such huge turbines.

**WIND
TURBINES
Public Meeting
Roos Memorial Institute
Saturday 25th February
2.00 p.m. onwards
Please come along
Have your say**

Roos Children's Playground Association

Dog-owners are prohibited from exercising their dogs on the Playing Field and the track leading to it.

Some owners have been doing so and disposing of dog faeces in the bin at the Children's Playground. This bin is *not* emptied by the bin-men. As a member of the RCPA Committee, I empty it and take the contents home to my own bin. I should not have to deal with the faeces of other people's dogs.

Those responsible should be ashamed of themselves. Dog fouling in a children's play area is disgusting. It could cause infection leading to blindness. For the sake of our children's health please help to make the playground a safe environment for them.

Dog faeces should be wrapped and placed in the roadside bins emptied by the Council.

Ann Coupe.

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

Yes – Roos Church is a "Gem of Holderness". This has been confirmed by diocesan and national architects, seeing it as a building of great merit, thoroughly deserving its Grade 1 listing.

They recommend a list of essential works : to the tower, the north aisle, the nave roof, the north clerestory, the north chancel gutter, the drain-aways and the north side margins.

The estimated cost is in the region of £120,000, a figure well below the means of the small congregation and perhaps even of the village.

However, the architects` recommendations may well find favour with a number of trusts that may assist with major awards. PPC member Tim Newton is enthusiastically and confidently presenting the project to such trusts.

Meanwhile a *Snowdrop Season* is in the planning :

Sundays 19th and 26th February, 1.00 - 4.00

The church will be open for prayer and refreshment, with an organ recital and a peal of bells and guided nature tours around the ancient grounds.

We see this call to preserve this premier building as a wonderful opportunity to hand it on with pride to our children and their children.

Key : HC =Holy Communion. MP = Morning Prayer. BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Old Prayer Book) CW = Common Worship (New Prayer Book)		
February		
18 Sat	2.30	All Saints,Roos. Marriage of Mark Thompson & Elizabeth Kerr-Delworth.
19 Sun	9.00	Garton. Matins. BCP.
	10.30	Roos. Morning Prayer (Rev Grenville Heale)
	3.00	Tunstall. HC. CW.
26 Sun	10.30	Roos HC. CW.
	3.00	Hilston. HC. BCP.
	3.00	Garton. Evening Prayer. BCP.
March		
1 Wed	11.00	Eastfield Centre. HC.
5 Sun	9.00	Garton. HC.BCP.
	10.30	10.30 St Nicholas, Withernsea.
	3.00	Memorial Institute. Anglican & Methodist. Tunstall. HC.BCP.
12 Sun	9.00	9.00 St Matthew, Withernsea.
	10.30	Roos. HC. CW.
	3.00	Garton. Evening Prayer. BCP.
14 Tue	7.30	Windy Ridge, Tunstall. Tunstall PCC.
15 Wed		6.00 Prayers : Churches Together at 35 The Promenade, Withernsea.
19 Sun	9.00	Garton. Morning Prayer. BCP.
	10.30	Roos. Morning Prayer. (Rev G.Heale)
	3.00	Tunstall. HC. CW.
	10.30	10.30 St Nicholas, Withernsea.
26 Sun		(British Summer Time begins)
		8.30 St Nicholas, Withernsea.
	10.30	Roos. HC. CW.
	6.30	Hilston. HC. CW.
28 Tue	6.30	Garton. Evening Prayer. BCP.
	7.30	Deanery Open Synod Ottringham Village Hall.
		"What has God been calling me to do?"

Methodist Services

		Preacher/leader	Venue
Feb 19	(No service)		
26	Sunday 10.30	Mr A.Pottage	Memorial Institute
Mar 5	Sunday 10.30	United Service	Memorial Institute
12	Sunday 10.30		Memorial Institute
19	(No Service)		
26	Sunday 10.30		Memorial Institute

Humberside Police Authority
NEIGHBOURHOOD PANEL
7.30 Thursday 23rd February
Roos Memorial Institute

An opportunity to raise matters of local concern with the Chairman of the Police Authority and the Commander of the Local Policing Team.

Aldbrough crossroads Another near miss

At 7.15 on the evening of 23rd January Mr David Wink was coming from Burton Pidsea when he saw the lights of a car on the Aldbrough road. It shot across to Rectory Road at about 40 mph. Braking hard, Mr Wink avoided a collision by about 15 yards. The offending vehicle was a dark blue MPV estate. (Incident added to the ongoing log.)



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The Rooster

Financial Statement : 1st January to 31st December 2005

Circulation

"The Rooster" is supplied to 522 addresses, including some outside the parish. It is funded almost entirely by voluntary donations from its readers.

Income

Income depends on donations, not advertising. Nevertheless, although local groups are offered free publicity for their coming events, businesses and individuals who advertise their services are charged a small fee.

In 2005 187 households (35.8%) donated £920, an average of £4.91 per household.

Paid business advertisements contributed £90.

Expenditure

(See the table alongside)

Printing

Printing is done in Hull by David Scotney and the charges are very reasonable. Printing costs just over four fifths of the total. The bill varies from month to month depending on the number of pages in a particular issue. Pages including photographs usually cost a pound or two more to set up.

Fuel

The cost of driving to the printer and taking batches of newsletters to the volunteer deliverers (an overall total of 42½ miles) has been claimed as expenses. In 2005, because of variations in petrol prices, the rate has veered between 12p and 14p a mile.

Phone calls

Phone calls are logged (though some are overlooked). Most are local calls, claimed at 5p a minute. Occasional national calls are timed and claimed conservatively.

Postage

Second-class postage is normally claimed, mainly for newsletters mailed to donors outside the delivery area.

Stationery

Stationery expenses include envelopes actually used and the purchase of staples from time to time.

Summary of Expenditure 2005								
	Pages	Print	Fuel	Tel	Post	Stat	Copy	Totals
Jan	6	65.15	4.51	0.00	2.52	0.30	0.50	72.98
Feb	0	No issue published.						0.00
Mar	5	64.70	4.56	1.75	2.94	0.35	0.55	74.85
Apr	6	64.55	4.56	1.00	2.52	0.30	0.40	73.33
May	6	65.15	5.01	1.25	2.52	0.30	0.50	74.73
Jun	6	68.15	5.40	1.75	2.52	0.32	0.70	78.80
Jul	12	130.30	4.68	0.65	2.31	0.32	1.80	140.06
Aug	6	68.15	5.81	1.20	2.42	0.45	1.20	79.23
Sep	12	130.30	5.81	1.50	2.94	0.45	2.20	143.20
Oct	6	63.65	5.81	0.40	2.52	0.33	0.50	73.21
Nov	8	87.85	5.81	0.45	3.04	2.98	6.85	106.98
Dec	8	96.05	5.81	1.00	3.15	0.40	0.80	107.21
	Totals	838.85	53.26	10.95	26.88	6.20	15.50	1024.58

Copying

Copying includes both photocopies and pages printed by computer as working drafts and as final copy for the printer. The rate claimed is 5p per A4 page (instead of claiming for printer cartridges as in some previous years.)

The bank account

The current account is held at Halifax plc. It has to be in my name since I am at present solely responsible – I am not (yet) a club or association!

Balances	Dec 04	Dec 05
	753.05	995.95

As in previous years there is a healthy balance.

However the increase of £242.90 is misleading. Some 2006 donations had already been paid in December 2005 and the cheque for the November and December printing was not cleared until January 2006. Expenses for the second half of 2005 were not claimed until February 2005.

Reconciling bank statements with annual income and expenditure is beyond my limited accountancy expertise.

L.H.

Donations for 2006

Many thanks to the following recent donors (as on 15th February)

Omitted in January Sorry Bamford, Mr R.L. Cook, Mr T. & Blyth, Ms E. Fletcher, Mr & Mrs B.T. Littler, Miss M. (For 2005) Newton, Mr & Mrs T.D. (Donations for 05 & 06) Rothwell, Diana M.	Ainley, Mr & Mrs M.E.	Evison, Mr & Mrs W.B.	Pawson, Mr & Mrs B.P.	Thompson, Mr & Mrs E.R.
	Bleasby, Ms L.E.	Grant, Mr & Mrs P.W.	Pittock, Mr & Mrs M.W.	Thompson, Mr & Mrs T.
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		Ogram, Mr & Mrs C.E.	Stock, Mrs S.W.	

By 15th February £459 had been received from 101 households.

Further Rooster donations for 2006

If you intend to contribute, please pass / post your donation (in an envelope marked *The Rooster*) to my address or leave at the Roos Store.

Include the slip provided in December (or a similar one) giving your details : name, address, phone number and the amount enclosed.

The suggested minimum donation per household is £3.00, maximum £5.00. Since there is a healthy bank balance, no household needs to contribute more than this (unless adding postage).

The bank requires cheques to be payable to "L.Helliwell".

A Rooster Association

From the 101 donations slips for 2006 so far returned 43 persons said that they favoured a Committee to help manage "The Rooster".

Two couples and three individuals (seven persons in all) have now offered to serve on the committee. There must be others able and willing. Please speak up.

It will now be impossible to set up an inaugural meeting in February. It may be possible to do so in March or April. The details will be advertised in "The Rooster".

Leslie Helliwell

Roos WI

The President, Mrs Heather Boynton, welcomed members to the meeting on 1st February.

After the Minutes had been approved members chose from the menu for the Annual Dinner at The Roos Arms on Wednesday 15th Feb, 7.00 for 7.30.

Federation options announced were : courses on Pole Dancing, Herbs, Crochet and Food Skills and visits to Holmfirth and a garden centre at Shiptonthorpe.

Members enjoyed a Roos WI scrapbook prepared by Mrs Margery Pittock for the National Competition. It featured all our walks, including our 90 miles in 2005 to celebrate 90 years of the Women`s Institute movement. The President thanked Mrs Pittock for compiling it.

Mrs Norah Hornby won the Monthly Quiz.

We then enjoyed a lovely presentation of slides by Mrs Hazel Armstrong about a visit four years ago with her husband and a driver to see how Indian people earned a living. Their trip was not on the tourist trail and we learned a great deal.

Mrs Pat Brown gave a vote of thanks and refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Roos WI meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 7.30 in the Roos Memorial Institute. The next meeting is on March 1st at 7.30 p.m. New members are very welcome. For further details contact Heather Boynton at 27 Eastfield, Roos : 670461.

Coming events

February

- 20 Police Neighbourhood Panel. Memorial Institute. 7.30.
- 22 RES Wind Turbine presentation. Mem. Inst. 12.00 - 8.00.
- 23 Meeting for Local Parish Councils. Withernsea.

March

- 1 Roos WI. Memorial Institute. 7.30.
- 13 Roos Parish Council. Memorial Institute. 7.30..

About this issue of "The Rooster"

There was not enough material to justify the cost of printing eight pages but there was too much to go easily into six. As a result the layout is more than usually cramped.

I apologise to those who find the lack of spaces tiring to the eyes.

ROOSTER DEADLINE

News, reports, notices, letters, photographs, complaints, ...
should be provided by

Friday 10th March

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01964 - 670291

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