



# The Rooster

Roos Parish Newsletter

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## Roos Parish Council

### Attendance

The meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> November was attended by Councillors Cheeseman, Cook, Craggs, Helliwell, Kirk and Winter.

Apologies : Cllrs Dodson, Grant and Smales.

The Parish Clerk, Mrs L Dearing, was in attendance.

Members of the Public : Mr W.Ainley, Mrs C.Blenkin, Mr & Mrs Brumhead, Mrs P.Cheeseman, Mrs A.Coupe, Mr D.Kirk, Mrs M.Lawson, , Mr B.Jull.

### Declaration of Interests

No changes were declared.

### Minutes (9<sup>th</sup> October 2006)

These were agreed as a true record.

### Arising from the Minutes

#### Greenacre Park

Mr Mike Peak of the Highways Department had noted the Parish Council's concern over the condition of the road. He advised that, until the site was declared finished and had been inspected, the road was the developer's responsibility and remained so for a further year. ERYC would then adopt it. Members felt this was unsatisfactory as completion of the development could take time and meanwhile the footpath would remain difficult for those with pushchairs or wheel-chairs. The clerk undertook to write to Mr Mick Lockwood to seek an earlier solution.

#### Pasture Lane, Tunstall

Closure of the lane had caused problems for farmers. The Clerk said that she had written to Planning over the lack of response on this matter. She assumed that there would be a reply before the December meeting.

#### Sign at Tunstall beach

There had been a response from Mr Fred Walkington, ERYC Facility Manager for Foreshores. The sign displays the results of Environment Agency water-quality tests. These are carried out at each bathing beach from May to September and must be displayed as part of the ENCAM's award scheme. Mr Walkington said that the sign would be repaired by the first week of May 2007. It might need to be removed first. (If the sign has not been repaired by the end of May Mr Walkington should be contacted again.)

#### Parish Website

The Parish Plan Committee recommend accepting the ERYC offer to host a Roos Parish website at very little

cost – £10 every two years. It will provide information for residents and visitors. Its creation would fulfil one of the action points in the Parish Plan. Training in processing input is offered for three residents. (It was agreed that one should be the Clerk.) Members approved acceptance of the project. The application form needed submission as soon as possible. The Clerk agreed to submit it after discussion of some details with the Parish Plan Committee.

### Area Forum (and Grass verges)

Cllr Craggs is to attend the meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> November. No agenda items have been sent from Roos, Cllr Helliwell noted that damage to grass verges raised during the Streetscene visit and discussed at the last meeting could be raised as an issue. Grass-cutting damage to bulbs and saplings would not be limited to Roos Parish and the policy regarding protection of grass verges should be clarified.

### Winter Services : Southfield Lane, Tunstall

There had been two ERYC responses. Mike Peak of Highways confirmed that Southfield Lane was not routinely gritted but only during prolonged periods of frost and snow. Dave Boden works in passenger services and deals with the routing of school buses. He found the comments about problems of subsidence along this road surprising since neither Highways nor the bus drivers had reported subsidence dangers. He has asked EYMS to check and will comment later.

Members felt that the officers had not sufficiently addressed their concerns. The new school bus route might benefit the operators but not the passengers. Cllr Helliwell added that it was much less convenient for secondary pupils from Roos village who now were transported north to Hilston and Owstwick before proceeding via Tunstall to Withernsea.

The Clerk was asked to make these points to Mr Boden.

### Bulb Planting

Cllr Dodson was reported to have bought bulbs for Roos, Tunstall and Hilston. They are believed all to be daffodils, which most residents approve. However, the Parish Plan recommends a greater variety of bulbs and it

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was agreed that more species should be ordered next year.

### **Hodgson Lane**

The Clerk had sent a strongly-worded letter to Highways asking that the bad road surface should be remedied as a matter of urgency. A reply is expected before the next meeting.

### **Flooding and poor drainage : South End Road, Roos**

The Clerk had written to Highways reporting comments by members at the last meeting about flooding at Dimples Cottage and the inadequate drainage near Glen Cottage where gulleys cannot cope with surface water from South Park. A reply is likely before the December meeting.

### **Parish land rented adjoining Manor Farm, Tunstall**

The Clerk had written to inform Mrs Quarmbly and Mrs Brocklesby that the request to continue to rent the land had been granted. (They may need to be reminded when of the payment date.) They had also been told that the legalities of selling them the plot would be explored.

## **Correspondence**

### **Charitable requests for support**

Three requests for financial support had been received :

- Roos Play Group (Mr B.Jull)
- Association of People with Physical Disabilities (Brenda Philipson)
- Riding for the Disabled Association :  
Hull & Holderness Group (Kim Breedan)

Members acknowledged that all three organisations did good work and deserved support. At present, however, they agreed to make a donation only to the one that had the most direct local impact, i.e. the Roos Playgroup.

The Playgroup had identified funding needs for :

- activity equipment and volunteer training;
- hall rental (Roos Memorial Institute).

Mr Jull, the Playgroup Treasurer, was present at the meeting. He said that the insurance premium (currently paid by volunteers) was £300 a year. The council agreed a one-off grant of £250.

Members noted that they had regularly supported local community groups and good causes but had no specific budget and policy for such grants. It was agreed that the budget for 2007 - 2008 would need to provide for implementation of the Roos Parish Plan and that it should also include provision for grant support to local causes, with criteria for eligibility.

### **ERYC Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report**

The document was circulated to members for information.

### **ERYC Consultation Documents**

#### LDF : Smaller Settlements Development Plan

Members of the Parish Plan Committee had studied earlier drafts. The 51-page final version had been available for less than a week and only two councillors had had a chance to read it. Yet a Questionnaire (with 25 detailed questions) was to be returned by 21st November. It was agreed to hold a joint meeting of councillors and Parish Plan members to complete the Questionnaire, helped by notes prepared by Mr Ainley.

*(In the event the earliest convenient date was Monday 20th November at 12.00 noon.)*

Councillors Craggs Helliwell, Kirk and Winter would attend.

It was noted that the key objection to the proposals is the classification of Roos as a Market Village. This could entail more likelihood of development than if it were classified as a Rural Settlement.

A letter from ERYC Conservative ward councillors advised that, owing to the short time-scale, responses after the deadline would be accepted.

#### Transport Development Plan : Issues and Options

There was insufficient time to consider this further consultation document. *(Its content has little relevance for Roos Parish.)*

### **Roadside bench**

Two quotations to provide and install a bench had been received. It appeared that the overall cost would exceed £700 – more than could be afforded at present. Another quotation was expected. The matter was deferred for the time being.

### **Historical Information request**

A family-tree researcher asked about a census reference to an ancestor residing before 1947 at "Cenby, Yorkshire".

Members knew of no Cenby. Cllr Cook said that Kenby Farm at Owstwick had always been spelt with a "K".

### **ERYC Mail**

Problems had been reported over mail to and from County Hall. Parish councils were asked to report whether they also had experienced difficulties. No issues were noted.

### **Streetscene**

Mike Connor, Parish and Area Liaison Manager, had asked for completion of a feedback questionnaire. The recent Streetscene survey was discussed in some detail. Members had inspected areas where work was to be done and noted what had not been completed. They also criticised the quality of some of the work, especially work on grass verges. The Questionnaire was completed. It was agreed to send with it the detailed schedule of works and members` comments on specific items.

### **Youth Opportunities Fund**

Megan Price, Senior Youth Worker, had sent information about funding opportunities for projects involving young people 13-19. It was agreed that the information should be passed on in *The Rooster* so that young people and organisations serving them knew what help was available.

### **HAPS Ltd**

Members noted that HAPS, based in Burton Pidsea, provided property and landscape services.

### **ERYC : Chairman`s Awards**

Nominations were requested by 31<sup>st</sup> January.

It was agreed to circulate criteria to members and consider nominations at the December meeting.

## **Inspector Paddy Fish**

A newsletter from Inspector Fish about new community police services will be circulated to members.

## **Roos Parish Plan : Conservation Status**

Mr Ainley had received a letter from C.E. Atkinson, Conservation Officer, noting that the Parish Plan recommended that parts of the parish Roos be designated Conservation Areas. Mr Atkinson will visit the parish in the next few weeks to check out the proposed areas. The Clerk was asked to invite Mr Atkinson to the next Parish Council meeting to discuss these issues.

## **Possible wind farm at Monkwith, north of Tunstall**

Mr Conrad Atkinson, project manager, had written that his company, EnergieKontor, was considering the feasibility of a wind farm at Monkwith. The project was still at an early stage. It had not yet been made public and the company were not in a position to submit a planning application.

He invited Roos parish councillors and ERYC ward councillors to a presentation at Wentworth House Hotel, Aldbrough, on 16<sup>th</sup> November. It was agreed that Cllrs Helliwell, Kirk, Cheeseman and Winter would attend.

Mr John McWatt, Chair of Rimswell Parish Council, was present at the meeting as a member of the public. He asked if any other interested persons were eligible to attend the presentation. The Chairman said that the invitation was confined to Roos and ERYC councillors.

## **ERYC : Notification of Standards Committee Meeting**

Notice of the above meeting was noted.

## **ERYC : Roos Parish precept 2006 -7**

The application form had been received, to be returned by 1st January 2007.

Members discussed the need for a clear budget before completion of the precept form. The budget would include provision for :

- the cost of local elections in May 2007;
- provision for grants to support local groups with criteria for awarding them;
- provision for implementing the Parish Plan;
- other foreseeable needs.

*(These normally include the annual insurance premium, the salary and expenses of the Parish Clerk and occasional publicity and advertising. L.H.)*

## **Parish land on Pilmar Lane, Roos**

Mr Bailey of 62 Pilmar reported that the tree on parish land to the south of his bungalow had been severely trimmed. As a result, his conservatory was now exposed to public view. He sought permission to plant a conifer as a screen. He had tended the piece of land over the years and would look after any planting put in. Alternatively, if the price was not too high, he would be prepared to buy a piece of the plot.

Members noted that Mr Bailey had purchased a piece of the parish land in the past. It had been valued. The cost of valuation and conveyancing had been met by Mr Bailey. The Chairman undertook to confer with Mr Bailey.

## **The Saltend incinerator project**

Mr Bottamley, 21 Thorn Road, Hedon, asked The Parish Council to oppose the development. He had supported the Parish Council in opposition to wind turbine development. Members decided that residents should register their own individual opinions for or against the project. The Clerk undertook to reply in these terms to Mr Bottamley.

## **Planning**

### **Approvals**

Poplar Farm, Roos. Relocation of field access to the south.

Mayfield Farm, Hilston. Erection of a 2-storey extension to rear and installation of atrium roof light over existing single storey extension at Mayfield Farm, Hilston.

(DC/06/06988/PLF/EASTSE)

4 Hinch Garth, Roos. Two-storey extension to rear.

18 Pilmar Lane Roos. Construction of a dropped kerb.

### **Appeals**

The Old Rectory, Roos. Two storey extension.

Mr and Mrs Stone are appealing against the Planning Committee's refusal of consent

### **Wind Turbines**

Sunderland Farm, Roos (RES). 11 turbines.

It appeared that the Parish Council had not stated reasons for recommending refusal of consent to this application. It was agreed that the Chairman and Clerk should submit the reasons.

The Chairman stressed that The Parish Council opposed the applications for both the Sunderland Farm and the Tedder Hill sites.

Mr John McWatt had been examining residents' letters on file at County Hall commenting on the two applications. He wished to speak at this stage about a letter submitted by Cllr Helliwell but the Chair advised that he could so in the Public Session.

However, on Mr McWatt's suggestion, it was agreed that the Clerk should write giving reasons for the Parish Council's opposition to the Tedder Hill project as well as that at Sunderland Farm.

### **Applications amended and withdrawn**

The Elms, Owstwick (Mr P.Kitchen). Continued use of agricultural building. An amended application made minor changes. Members recommended approval.

8 Becksid Manor, Roos. Erection of extensions. The application had been withdrawn.

## **Implementation of the Parish Plan**

Parish Plan progress will feature as an Agenda item at each meeting. Members discussed ways of delivering and measuring progress. Cllr Helliwell will provide the Action Plan pages in a form usable as a checklist to monitor progress.

Some goals in the Action Plan have already been partly achieved. The website project is under way and steps have been initiated to ensure the continuation of *The Rooster*. Further information on progress will be supplied to the next meeting.

## Accounts

Cllr Winter, Treasurer, reported that four accounts were due. Members approved payment.

- Hire of the Institute for meetings £37.50
- Avondale Landscapes for bulbs £60.00
- Avondale Landscapes for parish paths £175.00
- Donation to Poppy Appeal £50.00

## Any Other Business - None

## PUBLIC SESSION

### Parish Plan

Mr Willis Ainley said that the visit of Conservation Officer was a positive outcome of the Plan. Copies had been widely distributed widely and further requests kept coming in. The Clerk passed on an email request for a further 5 copies to Mr Ainley, who explained that the committee will charge £5 per copy. Any balance of funds would be returned to the Parish Council.

Humber and Wolds Rural Community Council and the Countryside Agency were holding up the Roos Parish Plan as a model to other parishes and the Committee had been congratulated by many who had received copies, including Mr Graham Stuart, MP.

Cllr Winter asked for the invoice for printing so that VAT could be reclaimed. Mr Ainley said that Mr Ken Cross would provide this on his return from holiday.

### Wind Turbines

#### Report by Mr John McWatt

The Tedder Hill and Sunderland Farm applications are to be heard together on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2007. Roos Parish Council should apply for a representative to speak. Mr McWatt would supply local parish councils with the names of East Riding councillors on the Committee. Letters from residents will be acceptable up to the date of the meeting.

He had examined at County Hall the letters of comment already received. Many letters from turbine supporters came from all over the country and had been elicited by the power companies. Letters from most local people opposed the projects and outnumbered local letters of support for the projects by roughly 2 to 1. But if letters from outsiders were included those in support of turbines outnumbered those against by 5 to 1.

On 16th January (two days before the planning meeting) there will be a meeting to allow electors to express their individual opinions.

The Highways Department had ruled out the routing of HGVs through Withernsea to the two sites. E.ON were now causing delay as they were not prepared to provide details of their alternative route to Tedder Hill, though it would presumably be through Burton Pidsea and Roos.

The third company, EnergieKontor, were at the initial consultation stage. They were looking to develop near Tunstall five turbines about 111 meters tall. (*The company actually say they are considering "about 7" turbines.*) There were said to be two other local sites being considered for wind turbines but the companies concerned were not going public at the present time.

ERYC are engaging independent consultants to look at the cumulative effect of these multiple applications within a single parish. They will report back in December.

### Cllr Helliwell

While examining letters at County Hall Mr McWatt had read Cllr Helliwell's in support of E.ON's application. Mr McWatt thought it betrayed the Parish Council since it not only disagreed with their policy of opposition to turbines but criticised the way in which their decision had been reached. Mr McWatt handed over a document that was presumably a photocopy of the letter, or the relevant part of it. Other members of SHOWT were present and joined Mr McWatt in criticising Cllr Helliwell's alleged under-handed disloyalty : he had not even informed fellow councillors of the content of his letter.

Cllr Helliwell said that he had expressed his views on procedures at every stage at Parish Council meetings, public meetings and in *The Rooster*. (See the back numbers.) There had been no secrecy. When he wrote his letter he knew it would be open to public scrutiny. He had, as an individual elector, every right to express his considered views, regardless of the vote of the Parish Council to any and every wind turbine application.

Cllr Helliwell said that when E.ON's project was first mooted he had been genuinely undecided whether to support it or oppose it. The aggressive attitude of some opponents of turbines had pushed him to defend E.ON's right to a fair hearing. It had also led him to read the application and Environmental Statement with great care – which most of the parish councillors had not done before deciding to oppose.

Mr McWatt urged parish councillors to read all of the application documents of both E.ON and RES and then write another letter of opposition so as to avoid the charge that they had failed to consider the evidence.

**Roos Parish Council**  
**Monday 11th December**  
**7.30 in The Memorial Institute**  
**Members of the public always welcome**

**ROOS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Applications are invited for the post of**  
**Parish Clerk**  
**Please address enquiries to the Chairman :**  
**Mr David Winter**  
**3 Chestnut Garth, Roos,**  
**East Yorkshire, HU12 0LE.**  
**07971 - 827151**

### **Items postponed or non-existent**

Yet again there is no space this month to proceed with the topic "What is a Christian?" Perhaps it's as well that no one has offered further rueful but whimsical reflections on the curious effects of ageing – Perhaps in December?



## Turbines near Tunstall

Four councillors attended the presentation at Aldbrough mentioned in the Parish Council Report : Leslie Helliwell, Barbara Kirk, Mike Cheeseman and David Winter. No East Riding councillors were present.

Also present were Mr John McWatt and Mrs Cherie Blenkin. Mr McWatt had asked at the Parish Council if others were welcome but had been told that only Roos and East Riding councillors were invited. Apparently, as Chairman of Rimswell Parish Council, he had asked the company for leave to attend.

### **EnergieKontor UK Ltd**

The Powerpoint presentation was by [Mr Guy Wilson](#), a Director of the company, and Mr Conrad Atkinson, project manager, who is based at headquarters at Conyngham Hall, Knaresborough.

They said that a leaflet about the project is to be sent to local households in the following week (commencing Monday 20th November).

Several sites across East Yorkshire had been considered. The advantage of the Monkwith site was that it offered plenty of wind and had no protection limitations as far as the landscape and wildlife were concerned.

There had been preliminary meetings with ERYC and consultations with other bodies. No details had yet been finalised. Consultants had been engaged to carry out technical assessments.

A map was displayed showing the area being considered. It lies about half way between Tunstall and Hilston and extends westwards from Pasture Lane.

About seven turbines are proposed, with a height to blade tip of 122 metres. In total they will generate some 15 Megawatts of electricity, to be conveyed to an onsite sub-station by underground cable. From the sub-station power will be carried to the local network by overhead line.

A planning application will be submitted for the erection of a meteorological mast to measure wind speeds.

Local views will be sought on possible environmental effects that should be assessed. The company already has its own list of aspects to be considered :

- Landscape and visual amenity
- Coastal erosion
- Protected birds
- Other protected animals
- Valuable wildlife habitats on the site
- Noise from the turbines
- Listed buildings, conservation areas, etc.
- The effect on local roads during construction
- Telecommunications including television
- Military concerns - flying, radar, etc.
- Civil aviation.

Other public concerns will be addressed.

On completion of the consultation, the findings will be passed to ERYC and further studies will be undertaken.

Eventually there will be a local Exhibition and opportunity for further consultation on local opinions and worries.

## Why wind power is vital in the battle against climate chaos

(Article submitted to *Scunthorpe Evening Telegraph* by Vicky Lister of Scunthorpe Friends of the Earth.)

Climate change is the greatest threat facing humanity. The vast majority of the world's top climate scientists are telling us that we have just ten years – perhaps less – to avert a global catastrophe in which our climate spins out of control and unleashes destruction on an epic scale.

Climate change is already killing 150,000 people a year according to the World Health Organisation. There is still time to prevent the worst effects – but not much. We have to act now.

The remedy will require radical changes to the way we create and consume energy, including investment in clean energy such as wind power. A combination of renewable energy technologies, energy efficiency measures and decentralised energy (electricity produced near where it used) can provide us with all the power we need – and drastically cut our greenhouse gas emissions.

Wind power is an absolutely vital part of the solution – it is the most mature and cost-effective renewable technology in the world today.

It is no secret that wind farm plans can sometimes be controversial. But too many times, perhaps unintentionally, local anti-wind groups spread a lot of myths and misinformation about the 'dangers' and effectiveness of wind farms. If we are going to have a productive debate about the methods we use to tackle climate change, it is crucial that the public are able to have all the facts.

The reality is that wind power is safe, clean, cheap and reliable. The industry is over 20 years old and countries throughout the world are now investing heavily in wind power : the global wind power market increased by 40% last year.

Wind energy has a long list of respected supporters including the Department for Trade and Industry, the Sustainable Development Commission, Greenpeace, Friends of the Earth and WWF. Many companies – such as Ford and Manchester City FC – are enthusiasts, too. They understand the economic benefits of having their own wind turbines.

No one is suggesting that wind farms will provide the answer to all of our energy needs but they do form an increasingly important part of our national energy portfolio.

Local sites such as Bagmoor and the one proposed for Elsham will make a significant contribution to meeting the Government's target of producing 15% of our energy from renewable sources by 2015. And they'll be popular, too : poll after poll shows public support for wind power in the UK running at around 80% and independent research indicates that those living closest to wind farms are their strongest advocates.

Wind power is one of the most appealing and logical methods of producing clean, sustainable, carbon-free energy. We must support it now – it has a huge job to do.

## Meanwhile

The wind-turbine debate is surfacing in all sorts of spats, and not just at Roos Parish Council meetings.

### Cllr Richard Stead

Cllr Stead, representing our ward on the East Riding of Yorkshire Council, is no fool. He is capable of serious and rational discussion. Her has often given the Parish Council good advice.

Yet wearing his jester`s cap in *The Holderness Gazette* dated 9th November he demeaned himself and the subject when he ridiculed, "all this gobbledegook about climate change and global warming." Anyone can raise a cheap laugh at the expense of Tony Blair and "barmy Edwina Currie" (though what she said about eggs infected with salmonella was true) but there`s a time and a place, Richard – Pantomime jokiness is embarrassing when directed at climate change and the Stern Report.

### Cllr Polly Worsdale

In this week`s *Holderness Gazette* (16th November) Polly Worsdale answered Richard beautifully, firmly but quite inoffensively. If you haven`t read her reply, do. It`s a gem.

### Skeffling Parish Council

Skeffling is to erect a small wind turbine near the village hall. Brian Cloke of Withernsea, who talked with Skeffling councillor Sid Rollinson, said, "Skeffling has been actively pursuing a number of environmental projects including recycling for some time, and this is the culmination of their environmental campaign. Some people think that climate change is not a local issue, but Skeffling is showing just how wrong that attitude can be."

### The Media

Newspapers, television and radio are full of climate change material at present. Try Radio 4`s *Planet Earth*.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/blogs/planetearthunderthreat/>

## Roos WI

On November 1, the President, Mrs Heather Boynton welcomed members. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Secretary Mrs M Stephenson and approved.

Mrs Boynton reminded everyone of Remembrance Day and the service to be held in the Institute on Sunday November 12 at 10.30am.

The varied and interesting 2007 programme was read out.

Mrs P Brown gave her report on Autumn Council Meeting and also spoke about the recent fitness day at Leven and the walk around Easington Ponds – all very enjoyable.

On 4 November eight members and friends went on an exhilarating walk round Spurn Point, enjoying both the exercise and the good company.

Members were told that Burton Agnes Hall, decorated for Christmas, will be open from November 18 for about four weeks. Mrs M Winter gave answers to the quiz.

### Annual Meeting

Treasurer Mrs Lesley Coyne and Secretary Mrs Margaret Stephenson gave their reports on the year.

## Elections

The existing Committee were re-elected :

Val Adams, Heather Boynton, Pat Brown, Lesley Coyne, Joyce Grant, Marjorie Pittock, Hetty Smith, Barbara Stephenson, Margaret Stephenson, Sylvia Turner, and Mary Winter.

Mrs Boynton thanked the Committee for all their hard work and all members for being an asset to Roos WI.

Mrs Boynton was re-elected President. Mrs Barbara Stephenson thanked her for all she does for our WI.

### Social session

After refreshments there were several games of Bingo, which caused much fun and laughter.

Mrs M.Jeffs (who had attended as teller) judged the competitions. Mrs E.Townhill won the competition for a Bookmark and Mrs C.Charlesworth the competition for Flower of the Month. The raffle was drawn.

### December meeting

This is to be an evening of music with J.D.Adams followed by supper.

## Sports Report

### Roos Football Club

Roos have found the step up to County League 3 a little difficult so far but with a first win under their belts they can hope to kick-on and make their way up the table.

At the start of the season Roos had three new signings. Dave Cowell made a welcome return and Dave Hunter and Chris Laughton proved very useful additions. Matty Miles also returned, after a couple of years with Easington.

Roos lost their opening game, beaten 4-1 by old rivals Total Sign Solutions. League defeats by Boothferry Rangers and FC Robin soon followed. Then sadly Mark Billany left his village team to sign for Patrington. Cup exits at the hands of Market Weighton and Hodgsons (after extra time) saw Roos lose five games in a row before they deservedly beat North Cave 3-2 last week. They are currently third bottom but a couple of wins in the next few games should see Roos climbing the league ladder.

### Roos CC

The 2006 season ended in disappointing fashion with the 1st XI finishing second bottom of Division 1 and the 2nd XI string occupying last place in Division 4. The problem really came in the latter part of the season when just getting 22 players on the field proved beyond them. Despite this, Roos remain totally upbeat about next season and the Club signed off 2006 with another tremendous dinner-dance at the Northfield Country Club. During a wonderful evening the annual awards were presented.

	<u>1st XI</u>	<u>2nd XI</u>
Player of the Year	Matty Dixon	Steve Cowell
Batsman of the year	Jon Dearing	Mike Laws
Bowler of the Year	Matty Dixon	Mike Laws
Fielder of the year	Dale Loney	Jon Thompson

2007 will test the Roos resolve but the club will stay focused to try to maintain the standards needed for honours and achieve their goals.

Roos CC thank their match-ball sponsors, without whom the club would cease to exist. We also thank The Roos Arms for their after-match hospitality, Bob Smales for taking great care of the outfield, Pete Wright for his excellent efforts on a wicket that was turned around after the first week and Helen Cowell for once again looking after both teams at tea-time.

## Tunstall News

### Harvest Festival

On the evening of Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> October, the Village held its well-attended annual Harvest Festival in the Church. The Vicar of Withernsea, Reverend Stephen Cope, gave a thought-provoking sermon on "Food Miles" (the distance our food travels). After the Service a tasty pea-and-pie supper followed by delicious sweets was provided by the ladies of the Village Hall Group.

Once again we welcomed students from Winstead College. This year we had students from Brazil, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary and Scotland. All six will be heading for African countries in the New Year to help the people there. It was a most enjoyable evening.

### Halloween

On Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> October, the Village Hall Group held their Halloween Night at The Old Rectory, hosted by Marlene Taylor. Fancy Dress was encouraged, producing witches and warlocks of varying degrees of beauty and ugliness. Party games were played, and the evening was rounded off with a wholesome buffet supper.

### Bonfire and fireworks

On 4th November the Sand-le-Mere Caravan Park put on an excellent display on the cliff top. A large crowd, including many from the village, enjoyed the event.

### Christmas Fayre

On the afternoon of Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November the Village Hall Group held their annual Christmas Fayre. The event was well attended by local villagers and caravanners from Sand-Le-Mere. A most pleasing £360 was raised, which will go towards the maintenance of the Village Hall. A big thank you goes out to all who supported the event.

### Remembrance Service

On Sunday morning, 12<sup>th</sup> November, the Village held its Remembrance Service in the church, including a two-minute silence. It was led by the Reverend Smethurst, and local residents took part in the readings.

### Coming events

#### November

- 25 Christmas Shop. Memorial Institute. 10.00 - 2.00.
- 28 Playing Field AGM. Pavilion. 7.30.

#### December

- 6 Roos WI. Memorial Institute. Music and Supper. 7.30.
- 8 Rooster deadline.
- 11 Roos Parish Council. Memorial Institute. 7.30.

### Nearly omnipotent

The curate was giving his young daughter a cuddle before she went to bed. As he picked her up and hugged her tight she said, "Daddy, you're so strong! I really think you'll be God one day!"

*From the parish magazine of St Nicholas's church, Beverley.*

## The Rooster

### Donations

Many thanks to Mr L.L.Cawkwell and Mr R.Smelt for recent donations.

146 households (27.4% of those that receive copies) have now donated £708.00 for 2006. However, a six-page newsletter costs about £75 to produce. More contributions will be needed if we are to match this year's income to likely expenditure.

Suggested (per household) : £3.00 - £5.00 (maximum).

If you intend to contribute for 2006 but have not yet done so, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Rooster" and either leave it at the Roos Store or deliver / post it to :

*Ken Cross, 1 Hinch Garth, Roos, HU12 0HR.*

Cheques should be payable to : The Rooster Association.

### The Rooster Association

The Committee are cheerfully taking on more and more roles hitherto carried out by the Editor, including taking turns to convey copy to the printer in Hull. However, they soon decided that petrol money wasn't enough : a proper travel allowance was needed. (Of course, they're right.)

Consequently expenditure will rise slightly in 2007 and it may be necessary to increase the recommended minimum rate for donations. The Association's members, our donors, will decide this at the AGM on 22nd February.

### Replacement editor still needed

Offers, please, to Committee Chairman Tim Newton at The Old School, Pilmar Lane. Phone 671659.

## ROOSTER DEADLINE

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# Church News and Views

## 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)

The village has celebrated Harvest Thanksgiving with enjoyment this year. All Saints`, Roos, was packed with relatives and friends of Roos School, to hear the pupils sing and read their own poems and to watch them processing round church with their 2D & 3D art work.

That evening villagers gathered again to sing and be thoughtful about the harvest. Supper followed at the Institute, with laughs and reminisces in the entertainment provided by Elaine Foster and Marlene Pinchbeck, principals from Hull Savoyards. Friends of Roos, and PCC members, teamed up to prepare both the Church and the tasty supper.

The following Friday the church was packed again for the quality programme sung by the Melsa Consort. The hard work of Ben, Joyce and their team blossomed in a nave thronged with people enjoying their refreshments and each other's company.

The same satisfaction could be felt by the teams coordinated by Pat at Tunstall; Sylvia at Hilston; and Lif at Garton, where good singing was followed by good company and refreshments. Tunstall benefited by the cheerful ministry of Father Stephen Cope, Vicar of Withernsea and the Bishop's Advisor on Rural affairs.

But now to a sad closing note. December's Deanery Magazine will be the last. After 120 years – and 20 years under Jeremy Valentine, the present Editor. On behalf of the subscribers in our parishes I thank him and Mary and Jennifer, our Roos distributors, for loyal and caring service down the years.

## Christmas Shop : 25th November

The Annual Christmas Shop held in the Memorial Institute raises funds for three local good causes : The Friends of Roos Church, The Friends of Roos School and The Memorial Institute itself.

Three craft stalls have already been booked and this year the emphasis will be mainly on crafts, though we shall still have the popular Tombola and Bottle Pull.

Table centres and flowers will be available to order. There will be a stall selling inexpensive pocket-money items and one selling produce – not only Christmas items but buns, cakes and anything that people have made for sale.

We need supplies for all the stalls. They may be passed to The Old School, the Saturday Charity Shop or members of the various groups. Please fetch perishable items closer to the date but do let us know what you will be offering. If you bring produce, please mark the items with what you consider a fair price. Unsold items can be returned to the provider.

If you can help please ring 671659 as soon as possible.

See also Debbie Tennison's display ad on page 11

## Anglican Services, etc.

**Key :** HC =Holy Communion.  
MP = Morning Prayer. EP =Evening Prayer.  
BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Old Prayer Book)  
CW = Common Worship (New Prayer Book)

### November

25 Sat 10.30 Roos Memorial Institute. 10.30 - 2.30. Joint Charity Shop.  
26 Sun 9.00 Tunstall. HC. BCP.  
10.30 Roos. HC. CW.  
3.00 Garon. EP. BCP. With the Deanery Choir.  
29 Wed 7.30 Elm Garth, Roos. Roos PCC.

### December

3 Sun 9.00 Garon. HC. BCP. / Thompson.  
10.30 Roos. HC. Baptism of Tilly Elizabeth /  
5. Tue 11.00 Eastfield Social Centre. HC. CW.  
10 Sun 9.00 Tunstall. HC. CW.  
10.30 Roos. HC. CW.  
3.00 Garon. Evensong. BCP.  
14 Thu 2.15 All Saints`, Roos. Roos School Crib Service.  
17 Sun 9.00 Garon. MP. BCP.  
3.00 Hilston. Carols and mince pies.  
6.30 Roos. Nine Lessons and Carols.  
18 Mon 7.30 Garon. Christmas Music : The South Wold Singers, conducted by Lynne Bayfield, followed by refreshments in church.  
22 Fri 6.30 Tunstall. Lessons and Carol Service.  
23 Sat 10.00 Roos Rectory. Christingle working party.  
24 Sun **Christmas Eve**  
6.30 Roos. Christingle Service.  
11.30 Garon. Midnight Mass.  
25 Mon **Christmas Day**  
9.00 Tunstall. Short Service. Blessing of gifts and Holy Communion.  
31 Sun 10.00 Tunstall. Benefice Service.

## Methodist Services

### December

3 Sun 10.30 All Saints`, Roos. United Service  
10 Sun 10.30 Roos Memorial Institute. Mr M.Cox.  
17 Sun ----- No service at Roos.  
24 Sun 10.30 Christmas Eve. Roos Memorial Inst. Carols.  
31 Sun ----- No service at Roos.

## The Friends of Roos Church

### Church roof appeal

Target : £112,000

Raised so far	£
English Heritage	74,000
English Historic Churches Preservation Trust	2,500
All Churches Trust, York Historic Churches	2,000
Ben & Joyce Pawson : 50th Anniversary	600
Donations at funerals and other sources	1,238
Donation from Friends of Roos Church	500
Joseph Boaz Charity	500
Garden Party	324
Music for a Summer's Evening concert	435
Donation	1,000
Joseph and Annie Cattle Trust	1,000
The Headley Trust	3,500
Friends` donation	2,000
PCC Repair Fund	3,000
Concert by Melsa Concert	1,000
The Sir James Reckitt Charity	1,000

**TOTAL 94,797**

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## Church roof appeal (Continued)

This is how things stand in November 2006. I shall revise the statement monthly so that everyone knows what progress is being made. Future updates will be displayed at All Saints` Church, the village shops and on notice boards.

Tim Newton

### Christmas Spectacular

**Saturday 25th November, 10.00 - 2.00**

#### In Roos Memorial Institute

After last year`s successful event The Friends of Roos School are again joining forces with the Institute Committee and The Friends of Roos Church.

**Bacon and sausage butties, mince pies,  
tea, coffee, mulled wine**

**Stalls offering jewellery, soft-furnishings,  
home-made produce (jam, mincemeat, pickles,...)  
and Christmas plant arrangements**

**Raffle prizes including a home-made Christmas cake  
and two fabulous hampers**

**We request your support with donations of gifts,  
bottles, tombola goodies, smellies, chocolates, ...**

**The produce stall needs anything home-made – pickles,  
honey, jam, knitted dolls` clothes – but please price the  
goods before you let us have them.**

**Please leave your gifts with Tim and Kay Newton at The  
Old School or ring me to arrange for their collection.**

**Profits will be shared equally among our good causes**

Debbie Tennison

Secretary, The Friends of Roos School Tel : 6701561

### ***Warning to all in Roos Parish!***

On 15th October, while three children lay in bed and their parents watched television, a fire broke out in a Roos home. The mother rushed the youngsters outside in their nightwear and the father dashed to the garage for a fire extinguisher. He managed to put the fire out. Luckily their smoke alarm alerted them in time and no one suffered hurt except for distress from smoke inhalation.

But in only three or four minutes an amazing amount of damage had been done to 33 feet of floorboards and a ruined conservatory – all caused by an electrical appliance that had developed a fault.

A Fire Officer visited nine dwellings in the area, including the one where the fire had occurred. Only three had fitted smoke alarms.

#### **A lesson for us all**

The mother in this sad tale asked Ann Coupe to see that it was passed on to *The Rooster*. Ann also contacted the Fire Service to check on some key facts. Here`s one :

***You are 50% more likely to die in an  
accidental house fire during the Christmas period  
than at any other time of year.***

#### **Practical help**

Householders may request a free home-fire safety check and have free smoke detectors fitted. For these and further advice contact :

Phil Leake : Community Safety Officer,  
Humberside Fire & Rescue Service  
East CPU, Worship Street  
Hull HU2 8BG

01482 - 321492 Mobile : 07949070002

pleake@humbersidefire.gov.uk

### **On the first day of Christmas...**

#### **Twelve safety tips (actually more) to match the carol**

1. Check that your Christmas tree lights conform to the British Standard. Always use an RCD (which switches off the current if there`s a fault) on outdoor electrical equipment.
2. Never place candles near your Christmas tree or furnishings. Don`t leave them burning unattended.
3. Make sure your family and guests know what to do in an emergency. Practise a fire escape plan.
4. Decorations burn easily. Don`t attach them to lights or heaters.
5. Unless they`re designed to stay on, switch off electrical appliances when not in use. Always switch off and unplug Christmas lights when you go to bed.
6. Celebrate Christmas and New Year safely. Accidents are more likely after consumption of alcohol.
7. Most fires start in the kitchen. Never leave cooking unattended.
8. In you plan to celebrate with fireworks, store them in a metal box, read the instructions, never go back to a lit firework and keep a bucket of water handy.
9. Make sure cigarettes are completely extinguished.
10. Check the battery in your smoke alarm every week and use Christmas as a reminder to clean it and remove dust.
11. Keep candles, lighters and matches out of the reach of children.
12. Take time to check on elderly neighbours and relatives this Christmas. Make sure they are fire safe.

### **A sort of Sod`s Law**

About seven hours ago the newsletter had chunks of material scattered over twelve pages and bits of space all over the place. By jiggling the stuff about and rewording much of it I`ve now managed to fit it all together in ten pages – I`ve saved about £40.00.

Drat! Here`s four inches of column now blank. How on earth did that happen?

But it`s now 6.15 am on Monday morning and I haven`t been to bed yet. I have to get into Hull to the printer for 9.30. I can`t be bothered to find something interesting to fill this last bit. Why not fill it yourself?

Doodle. Draw a cartoon. Write a poem. Work out a few anagrams. Jot down the names of all the people you haven`t bought presents for yet.

But next month, if you have something for *The Rooster*, let me have it early so that it doesn`t all have to be typed and jigsawed around at the last minute. Then I`ll get to bed before midnight and will bless you for your kindness and consideration

Damn! My drivet has used up all your space. So sorry.