A roundup of news from around the parish

Parish Council

Grass Verges

As has always happened in recent winters, the grass verges around the village have suffered considerable damage due to drivers taking vehicles across the verges, or even parking on them. It is an offence punishable by a fine to park on the verges and parking enforcement officers visited the village a couple of years ago and issued warnings about illegal parking.

One of the worst affected areas is Ring Beck, particularly around the verges fronting paddocks and in front of the Post Box. The PC has approached ERYC about installing a kerb and Tarmac parking bay in front of the Post Box where the damage is severe. The issue is not a priority for ERYC, so the PC propose to offer £1,750 towards the £2,500 cost and we await a response from ERYC.

Dog Fouling

The problem of dog fouling in the village is ongoing, despite the fact that there are numerous bins around the village. This suggests that further bins may not necessarily improve the situation. Claire Wood will attend ERYC training on dealing with the problem and the rights of residents and The PC when addressing the problem.

Defibrillator

The Yorkshire Air Ambulance is supporting the PC to install a defibrillator in the village. As we have this support, we can now apply to the ERYC for a grant towards the cost.

Ellerker Wind Farm

The PC lodged an objection to the planning application, in addition to over 200 others. 30 people contacted the ERYC planning office in support of the application.

Planning

Ings House, Ellerker - erection of first floor extension to side, ERYC granted with conditions

The Paddock, Brough Road, South Cave -Building for use as a meeting hall, ERYC granted with conditions

Erection of house and garage, Ings Lane - no PC objections

15 Mill Hill - Extension and Dormer window in roof - no PC objections

Playing Field

The Playing Field Committee requested help with the running expenses for the Village Greens. PC agreed that a contribution could be made, but this could not be a fixed regular payment because as the land does not belong to the PC it would not be legal to do so.

Next meeting: Thursday, 16th April 7.30pm, Village Hall. All are welcome.

- MM

Yorkshire Country Women's Association

For our last meeting on March 5th. 2015 we were given a talk, with colour slides, on Hull Old Town. Mr. Schofield, the speaker, is very entertaining and the talk was very much enjoyed by our members. Many of the slides showed places or items that few people would have been aware of. Hopefully he will be able to come again to show us places of interest, possibly in Beverley.

The next meeting, on Thursday 2nd. April, will be the Annual General Meeting. We hope as many people as possible will attend because, as you all know, any organization

such as ours depends upon the full support of its members.

- PN

Women's Institute

No report this quarter

Village Hall

At the committee meeting on 25th February, the Treasurer mentioned that income from rent of the hall compared with direct costs was virtually "break even" and there was therefore no leeway to cover unforeseen expenditure. This situation has arisen following the withdrawal of the school who no longer rent the hall which has substantially reduced income. It is crucial that we make every effort to increase lettings.

Date for your Diary - A provisional date for the Barn Dance has been made with Chris Bradley at White House Farm for Friday 12th June. Roger's Ceilidh Band will be delighted to provide the music and it is the intention to approach Newport Butchers again to provide the pies.

- M&SP

Ellerker Show 2015

The members of the Ellerker Show Production Committee would like to express their thanks for the tremendous support received for their Seventeenth Annual Show at the end of January. We applaud the artistes, all our many helpers (whether in front of or behind the curtain) and, of course, our many fans (the viewing public). Feedback suggests that it was one of our best shows, thank you, probably down to it being shorter and, perhaps, thanks to the provision of more comfortable chairs. Joking apart, it was very good to see new faces as well as the 'old faces'; we understand that Hi-De-Hi! and West Side Story can never and will never seem the same again.

A more sobering fact is that, assuming an average 'band' of artistes and helpers of, say, forty per year over the past 17 years, including the wonderful children, it has been calculated that the whole lot of us have collectively aged over six and a half centuries; it is probably no joke to suggest that it truly feels like it.

- DB, VD, MP, JT, JT, JW, PW, DW

Ellerker Action Group
(formerly SEWF)
Annual General Meeting
Thursday, 26th March at 7.30pm
Ellerker Village Hall
All Are Welcome

Following an extremely busy January, when residents and consultants were submitting their comments on the Baglett's Wind Farm application, February was a quieter month for the EAG, as the ERYC digested the huge response to the consultation. Thank you to everyone in Ellerker and the neighbouring villages who took the trouble to articulate their opposition. These views, along with the comprehensive and highly critical report submitted on behalf of the EAG by our consultants Bob Barfoot and Dr Tim Reed, will no doubt have surprised the Applicant. We are pleased to report that, through the overwhelming generosity of residents, we have been able to cover the costs of our consultants so far. So thank you again for this tremendous support.

We understand that the Applicant has asked for extra time to address the many points raised by respondents and the ERYC has granted this. The ERYC Planning Committee will not consider the application before 30th March, after which the Council goes into pre-election Purdah and there will be no further Planning Committees until after the election. It is likely, therefore, that the earliest date that the application will be heard will be in June. We will stay watchful during this limbo period!

The first draw of the Ellerker 50 Club took place on 7th February and the next will take place on 4th April. Congratulations to Number Holder **6**, who won £100 and to Number Holder **15**, who won £50.

Several members of the EAG attended the ERYC Planning Committee on 19th February in support of the beleaguered residents of Spaldington. Five turbines with 92 metre blades had been approved on appeal. The applicant, Falck Renewables, was seeking to extend the blade lengths to 102 metres and this type of variation has apparently been approved 'on the nod' elsewhere.

The residents of Spaldington forced the issue into a full debate and the application was overwhelmingly refused. It was good to see our own Ward Councillor, Tony Galbraith, in action and to see the mood of the Planning Committee, ably chaired by Councillor Phyllis Pollard, which was sensitive to the voice of concerned residents. Clearly the county wide *Enough is Enough* march last summer has had an impact on our local politicians!

Please join us at our AGM on 26th March, when you will be updated on the progress of our first year of Action and the potential challenges that still lie ahead.

- CW

St Anne's Holy Week Services 2015

Monday 30th March

7.00pm The Way of the Cross at St Anne's Ellerker

Tuesday 31st March

7.00pm. A Liturgy of Forgiveness at All Saints
South Cave

Wednesday 1st April

7.00pm. Celtic Communion at St Anne's Ellerker

Maundy Thursday

6.30pm. Holy Communion at St Mary's
Broomfleet7.30pm. Holy Communion at All Saints South
Cave

Good Friday - Walk of Witness

9.30am. Act of Worship at All Saints Church South Cave

10.00am. Start walk to St Anne's Ellerker

10.45am. Act of Worship at St Anne's
11.00am. Start walk to St Mary's Broomfleet
12.00 noon. Act of Worship at St Mary's
Broomfleet
followed by Hot Cross Buns and
refreshments
(Timings are approximations)

Good Friday Evening

6.30pm. Prayers at the foot of the Cross at St Mary's Broomfleet

Other important dates:

Saturday 18th April

Church Day

Sunday 19th April

Church AGM will be held after the service on Sunday 19th April

Tuesday 28th April

The Deanery Synod will be held in Ellerker on Tuesday 28th April. The meeting will be in the church at 7.45pm

Saturday 9th May

Plant sale in the Village Hall

Thursday 14th May

Ascension Day, there will be a Deanery Service in the church at 7pm

- JMT

Neighbourhood Watch

No crimes reported in the village since the last issue.

The committee in conjunction with East Riding Council and Humberside Police and with the cooperation of residents will be introducing "No Cold Calling" zones into the village during the next few months.

Full details will be sent out to each property as the scheme progresses.

- JMT

Playing Fields

The New Year for the Playing Fields Committee got into full swing at the children's Christmas on 10 January. Children grandchildren from the village gathered in the village hall for games of pass the parcel, musical chairs, musical statues and musical bumps, amongst others, and stacks of party food. Father Christmas himself very kindly interrupted his post-Christmas holidays to make a special appearance and deliver gifts to the children (who, luckily, were all on his "good behaviour" list!). A fun time was had by all, and kids and adults alike were worn out afterwards! Planning has now begun in earnest for the annual scarecrow festival and fayre, to be held this year on 27 and 28 June. Please get in touch if you know anyone who would like to rent a pitch for a stall – the more the merrier.

Rosinke, Anne Walters and Kay Everard). We hope to see you there.

- SR

ELLERKER EVENT DIARY APRIL - JUNE

April

1st WI, Village Hall, 7.30 pm 2nd YCA AGM, Village Hall, 7.30 pm 8th Playing Field AGM, Village Hall, 7.30 pm 16th Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30 pm [See St Anne's section for dates in April & May]

May

6th WI, Village Hall, 7.30 pm 7th YCA, Village Hall, 7.30 pm

June

3rd WI, Village Hall, 7.30 pm 4th YCA, Village Hall, 7.30 pm 12th Barn Dance, White House Farm



Finally, the Playing Fields Committee's AGM will be held on Wednesday 8 April at 7.30 pm in the village hall. All those living in Ellerker are very welcome to attend. It is a challenge for us to raise the money required to maintain the two playing fields and play equipment with our small team, and we are always looking for new volunteers. Please do come along if you are interested in helping, or speak to one of the committee members if you would like more information (Sarah Wood, Phil Wood, Paul Thompson, Nigel Pugh, Linda Wilson, Sophie

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