

Ellerker NEWS



A roundup of news from around the parish - Issue 81 - Winter 2017

Santa's Bloomers

If Santa has made a bloomer on your Christmas stocking and you can pass on toiletries, socks, gloves, toothbrushes, toothpaste etc. then they will be very much welcomed by the Hull Homeless Community Project and Open Doors in Hull.

Gifts may be left on the box at the back of church and will be collected up on February 11th - just in time for it to be a Valentine's Day gift of love to someone.

Many thanks.

— Reverend Lyn Kenny

The spirit of Christmas is Alive in Ellerker

A huge THANK YOU to the Playing Fields Committee and colleagues on the Parish Council for organizing the rumbustious Christmas get-together for children and residents on 9th December, culminating in the switching on of the Christmas Tree lights. The beautiful tree, which has been donated by Mr and Mrs Hardcastle from Ellerker Lodge, stands proudly on the village green and will be enjoyed by all over the festive season.

It was really lovely to see the children's joy as they played the traditional party games and their excitement when Santa arrived. For the older children, the mulled

wine, served in tea cups and saucers (is this a new fashion?) and mince pies loosened the vocal chords for the carol singing around the tree.

How blessed we all are to live in this beautiful village and vibrant community.

— Claire Wood

Women's Institute

In October Kathleen Barnett told us all about 'Ginny the Tiger' and her rescue by the Born Free Foundation.

November was Our AGM conducted by WI adviser Barbara Ball. She followed this with a talk about 'Scarves and How to Wear Them'.

At our December meeting Carol Arthur (one of our members) spoke about her 'Life in Drugs' followed by our Christmas party.

— Maggie Tomlinson

St Anne's

The concert for an autumn evening held on 14th October by the Saltmarsh Duo "Melodies and Memories" was a huge success. The evening featured Steven Goulden (Tenor) and Amy Butler (Piano and Organ). Poems written by the late Phil Copeland were read by Mike Parker, David Wood, Claire Wood and Pat Waudby.

On Saturday, 2nd December the Christmas Coffee Morning was very successful and well attended. Plants kindly donated by Colletta and Tyson were all sold, together with home-made produce which resulted in a profit of over £600 for church funds.

Congratulations to our Vicar, Rev. Mike Proctor who is also Rural Dean and has now been appointed Assistant Archdeacon.

Many thanks to Ellerker Lodge Garden Centre for their kind donation of a magnificent Christmas tree for inside St. Anne's.

Church Activities and Services over Christmas are as follows:

- Sunday, 17 December - 6 pm. Nativity and Carol Service
- Tuesday, 19 December - Carol Singing around the village starting from Ellerker Lodge Garden Centre at 6 pm. Please come and join us.
- Thursday, 21 December - 7 pm. Candlelit Celtic Communion - A unique spiritual experience.
- Christmas Eve - 9.30 am. Holy Communion and 11.30 pm. Midnight Mass
- Christmas Day - 9.30 am. Christmas Morning Service

**Do come along and join us to
celebrate Christmas**

— Mike & Sue Parker

Yorkshire Country Women's Association

It is understood that until such time a new Chairman steps forward, meetings of the Ellerker branch of the organisation have been suspended.

— *The Editor*

Village Hall

The Annual General Meeting was held on 10 November and the following were elected to serve on the committee:

Tricia Christmas, David Wood, Mike Parker, Linda Wilson, Sue Parker, Mike Barnett, Tony Hurley, Suwfieya Habbergham. We are still without a representative from the WI and the committee is severely depleted. Anyone wishing to help, please contact Tricia.

The meeting was followed by refreshments and an opportunity to browse through a display of photographs of Ellerker over the years supplied by Tricia and Mary Dennis. Most interesting and an excellent evening ensued.

The kitchen has been re-decorated and plans are in place to have the main hall painted during the spring.

It is the intention to have a Barn Dance in early June 2018. Watch this space!

— *Mike & Sue Parker*

Playing Field

The annual children's Christmas party was held on Saturday, 9th December. We changed the format this year so it was more of a family pop-in and an open invitation to all villagers to call by for some mulled wine, a mince pie

and a good catch up with friends and neighbours.

The children had fun colouring Christmas pictures, making decorations for the village Christmas tree, playing games, eating party food and decorating their mugs of hot chocolate with squirty cream, flakes and marshmallows.

There was a good turn-out for the switching-on of the village Christmas tree lights, and carols were sung around the tree afterwards. All in all, it was a really enjoyable evening, and it was lovely to see so many villagers joining in.

Thank you for the support you all showed at the recent committee meeting. We've been able to commit to organising the Village Fayre and Beer Fest again next year in the knowledge that plenty of people are willing to help in some way, however small - every little helps. The Fayre will be held on Saturday, 7th July - more details to follow on planning meetings and how you can get involved.

In the meantime, we wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and we look forward to working with you in 2018.

— *Sophie Rosinke*

Twentieth Ellerker Show!

The years have flown by since our Group of Artistes took off in January 1999. A few seats are still available for the milestone performances on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 25th, 26th & 27th January, 2018. The 'event' takes place in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm and tickets are available from Diana Bushby at 01430-422757. We look forward to seeing you there!

— *David Wood*

PLEASE NOTE

Ellerker Show tickets ordered but not collected by the end of December, will be released back to general sale.

— *Ron Maitland*

Parish Council

The Parish Council met on 9th November for the Bi Monthly Council Meetings. The Parish Council also facilitated a Public Meeting on the same evening.

The Parish Council has installed a Christmas Tree, generously donated by Ellerker Lodge, on the village playing field. The lights were switched on at 6pm on the 9th December following the traditional village children's Christmas Party.

The Parish Council hosted the Neighbourhood Watch Quiz on Friday, 27th October 2017 with 11 teams participating. The Neighbourhood Watch Shield was awarded to Martin Scott's winning team

The Parish Council requested feedback from Ellerker residents and businesses for consideration at the November Parish Council Meeting with regards to suggestions for projects to improve the ambience of the village in the short and medium term. Please can any further comments be submitted to the clerk via the contact form available on the Ellerker Parish website or directly to any Parish Councillor.

The Ellerker Parish – Community Emergency Plan has been finalised and can be viewed on the [Ellerker Parish website](#).

The Parish Council are in discussion with the Little Weighton Farm Watch project who seek to reduce rural crime with regards to supporting the funding for the installation of some Automatic Number Plate Rec-

ognition (ANPR) Cameras within the vicinity of the Parish.

Humber Nature Partnership would like to engage with Parish Councils and would be happy to provide a presentation on their work and explore the ways they might work together with local communities bordering the Humber Estuary. Further information has been requested with regards to this project.

The Parish Council continues to raise concerns of local residents and the Neighbourhood Watch Committee with East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) Traffic and Parking Team with regards to speed limits in the vicinity of the village. A further response was received in October 2017 confirming EYRC are happy to undertake a survey for the Parish Council but as the road between Sewell's Garage and the Elloughton roundabout is not considered busy there would have to be a large number of vehicles exceeding 68mph. In terms of traffic calming measures these are reserved for those roads where there has been a significant collision history and where casualties can be reduced. When assessing for such measures caution is exercised to ensure that the limited funding ERYC receives gets spent on those areas where there is evidence/history and pattern of collisions. The ERYC does sympathise with residents' concerns however they cannot react to sites where there is fear or expectation of a collision.

The Allotment Working Group is progressing the development of a wildflower meadow for part of the Stonepits Field Allotment Gardens. The Working Group is following a plan of action as to how the management of the allotments will be progressed, working with the current tenants. Please

contact the Clerk via the contact form on the website if you are interested in becoming an allotment tenant.

The Ellerker Parish website continues to be updated to support the requirements of the Transparency Code along with the training and development of the Parish Council team.

The Parish Council continue to seek support from Yorkshire Water and ERYC Highways with regards to the overflow of effluent from the Ellerker Water Treatment Works and the management of recurrent and excessive pooling of surface water at various sites around Ellerker at times of moderate rainfall due to the silted drains.

The Ellerker Parish website allows local businesses to promote their business and sponsor the website at a cost of £10 per year. The new sponsorship year commenced on 1st October 2017. The Parish Council would like to thank the existing sponsors for their support and offer the opportunity for further businesses to become a sponsor - [see here](#).

Following the submission of planning application 17/03051/PLF on 26.10.17 in respect of the change of use of land from a Nurseries Processing Business to a Semi Retirement/Retirement Static Caravan Park on the Westland Nurseries site the decision was taken by the Parish Council to facilitate a Public Meeting prior to submitting comments to the ERYC Planning Officer in response to the level of concern expressed with regards to this application by members of the public and Parish Councillors. The Parish Council subsequently submitted a detailed objection to this planning application on the 14th November 2017.

Information with regards to planning applications submitted to the Parish Council for comment can be found on the ERYC planning portal or in the Parish Council meetings minutes. The following applications have been reviewed and commented on by the Parish Council:

18.07.17 (17/02241/PLF) Change of use of agricultural land to dog walking area with associated vehicular access and parking (Hunsdale farm). Approved 04.08.17; ERYC – Approved 28.09.17

26.07.17 (17/02417/PLF) Erection of two storey and first floor extensions, installation of roof lights to rear with internal and external alterations (revised scheme of 16/00441/PLF - Mill House). Approved 14.08.17; ERYC – Approved 04.09.17

28.07.17 (17/02454/PLF) Erection of workshop extension (Wandahome) Approved 04.08.17; ERYC – Approved 13.09.19

04.08.17 (17/02507/PLF) Erection of a caravan canopy following removal of existing log cabin (Wandahome) Approved 14.08.17; ERYC – Approved 19.09.17

13.09.17 (17/02547/PLF) Erection of a single storey extension, first floor extension and dormer extension to rear following demolition of existing conservatory and dormer window and construction of dormer window to front (Laggy Cottage) Approved 25.09.17; ERYC – Approved 07.11.17

28.09.17 (17/03054/PLF) Erection of dwelling and detached garage including construction of new vehicular access (Ings Lane Nurseries) Approved 16.10.17; ERYC – Declined 20.11.17

30.09.17 (17/03083/PLF) Erection of bungalow with associated garage and access following partial demolition of The Croft and erection of a detached garage with access to

serve (The Croft) Approved 16.10.17; ERYC – Approved 13.11.17

30.09.17 (17/03301/TCA) ELLERKER CONSERVATION AREA: Silver Birch; 6m canopy raise and rebalance. (Woodbine Cottage) Approved 16.10.17; ERYC – Approved 06.11.17

10.10.17 (17/03292/PLF and 17/03135/PLB) Installation of 5 vertical sash replacement windows to front elevation and 1 to rear elevation. (Elmsall House) Approved 20.10.17; ERYC – Approved 05.12.17

03.11.17 (17/03656/TCA) ELLERKER CONSERVATION AREA: Horse Chestnut; fell due to disease causing instability, Walnut; prune as indicated in report due to overhanging property, Scots pine: prune to reduce x2 limbs as indicated to prevent potential branch failure and improve appearance of tree. (Ellerker Village Green) Approved 14.11.17; ERYC – Approved 04.12.17

14.11.17 (17/03793/PLF) Erection of conservatory to rear (Woodbine Cottage) Approved 29.11.17; ERYC – Pending

29.11.17 (17/03827/PLF) Erection of office building for B1, B2 and light industry use following demolition of existing office space with associated car parking and access (Mount Airey Business Park) - Pending

Next Meeting: Thursday 11th January 2018 at 7.30pm.
All welcome.

— Alan Barker

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Paddy Hall on Thought For The Day

For those who follow the Twitter feed for [@EllerkerNews](https://twitter.com/EllerkerNews) and/or the [Parish Website Blog](#) you will know that Paddy Hall was presenting his Thought For The Day on Radio Humberside early on Friday, 15th December.

If you would like to hear Paddy's mellifluous tones you can catch the recording [here](#). For those who like peace and quiet and would prefer to read it, here's the transcript:

"Good morning.

Recently an 18-year-old girl reported, of her internet habit, "I am not sure I am ready to meet my friend in real life- what would I say to her?"

Yesterday we held the Christmas party for children of the village, and a few who have moved nearby. We mustered 15. Many of the houses in the village are now too expensive for young families.

When my children went to the parties there were 30 or so of them.

This 15 made decorations around tables, played pin the tail on the donkey, musical chairs, statues and other traditional wild games through exhaustion and on again. They ate and drank homemade party food that appeared from everywhere,

met Father Christmas who amazingly knew them all by name and had a present for each of them.

The parents and grandparents all stood around with mulled wine and mince pies, admired each other's new babies and caught up. Father Christmas pulled a child's name from his hat, and she, at 6.30 in the freezing dark when most of the rest of the village had arrived, went outside, counted down from 10 and lit up a huge tree on the green, donated by the garden centre.

A choir and song sheets appeared, and carols were sung by torchlight, and by four generations, largely in tune, and surprisingly movingly, until it was too cold, and the remains of the mulled wine called from inside.

Parents shared memories of previous village parties to real friends they had made at the time and stuck with over the years. Children were tired, chatting to each other and starting to store their own treasures away. I think our 15 don't yet know how lucky they are. They will do.



The internet can do some magic, but not all of it, and not all of it good. It needs switching off from time to time to

give us chance to bump into each other with all our senses switched back on.

Happy Christmas, and thank you for listening."

DIARY DATES

December

For Christmas Services at St Anne's please refer to Page 1

January

11 at 7.30pm, Parish Council, Village Hall

25, 26 & 27 at 7.30pm, Ellerker Show, Village Hall

February

11 Santa's Bloomers collection, St Anne's

March

15 at 7.30pm, Parish Council, Village Hall

Women's Institute meetings are normally held on the 1st Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

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