

North Frodingham

Village Voice

August/ September 2014



OPEN GARDENS 2014

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For our May walk, eleven of us returned to Hovingham on a warm but showery day. The walk began near the ford by the tea-shop and bakery, passing behind it to join the Ebor Way which took us up to Cawton. Our path led us over Cawton Heights and down to Coulton. We were treated to some beautiful scenery, wellworth the official recognition of Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. We returned to the picturesque village of Hovingham by way of the palladian Pickering Bridge in the grounds of Hovingham Hall, home to Catherine Worsley, the future Duchess of Kent. Our day ended fittingly in the tea-shop where we started out.



The June outing was on a much warmer day, almost unbroken sunshine. Meeting by the church at Fridaythorpe, we picked up the Yorkshire Wolds Way over Huggate Wold to Wold House Farm. Here are a very well-preserved range of farm buildings together with a life-size statue of a previous farm bailiff. Turning left beyond here we headed down into Horse Dale and a steep pull up the other side. We were rewarded with a splendid prospect along the side of the dale. Turning toward Huggate, we then passed the head of Cow Dale and approached Northfield House near where we re-joined Horse Dale. Descending past

the distinctive benches, we turned into the steep-sided Holm Dale. A steady ascent through this striking dale led us back to our starting point.

Editorial

Wow. This is a bumper edition as a consequence of you sending in some pictures particularly of the Open Gardens. As always we are looking for your pictures from summer activities. Then we can have a coloured front page. I'm sure you agree that it makes V V more attractive. And my wittering gets relegated to page two or later !! We have some pictures from the Open Gardens from David Kell and Ann Mortimer; Shirley Hebden has provided some pictures from the Past, Present & Future Weekend.

I am pleased to report that I have had several people come forward to volunteer to distribute Village Voice. Thank you. This is clearly an essential contribution.

Also, those of you that have visited the cemetery recently will have seen an excellent transformation. Much work has been put in to restore the cemetery to its former neatness. Our thanks have to go particularly to Adrian & Maurice Wilson, David Stead, Geoff Rudd, and Don Watson

In previous issues I have talked about the constituents for a vibrant village and have identified what should be in place. Currently I think that we in Frodingham have got these items. However, when talking to one of our residents (while collecting fish & chips from Dave), he said " use it or lose it". I couldn't agree more. We try to ensure that these critical items are covered in each issue. I can personally recommend many of the items that we advertise or mention in these pages. If you have had some excellent experiences, why not tell us for our next publication. In this way we can all contribute to a village that we are proud of. To start the ball rolling let me mention "Mature Mayhem". At the outset, I have to confess to being sceptical about these Friday afternoon sessions. However they are well attended, are an excellent social occasion and much fun. I thoroughly enjoy these sessions!! I know that they are not available for our younger villagers, but other activities are. So please participate in village activities

The Youth Club is up and running again. That's excellent.

This summer has been a bonanza for sports lovers – football World Cup, All Blacks rugby, Wimbledon tennis, a Headingley test match, Tour de France starting in Leeds, Commonwealth games etc. Do you have any stories / pictures to share with us Or if you hate sports do you have some alternative stories.

Again thanks to those of you that help to distribute and to our regular advertisers They are our sponsors, some without any expectation of a return from the advert

Museum Opening

The North Frodingham Museum is scheduled to open each Sunday from July 6th until September 7th in the Cemetery Chapel, from 2.00 pm until 4.00 pm. Alternative arrangements can be made if Sunday is not convenient or you are a group, contact 01262 488912 for details.

This year the Frodingham Local History Group decided to mark the start of the Great War (1914-1918) by exhibiting information about some of the soldiers on the War memorial, the regiments they served in and items from the period. The exhibition will include examples of war medals, trench art, memorabilia, journals, posters and letters and information about life in the village whilst the young men were away. It will be well-worth a visit.

Everyone is invited to come and see how much the First World War impacted on life in Frodingham. There is no entrance charge.

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Diary for Village Voice

Meeting in the Village Hall

Social Centre Committee First Monday each month 7.30pm - new members needed and welcomed

Jellytots meet Wednesday mornings **during term time** 9.30 – 11.30am

Lisa-Marie Dance Academy meets Wednesday afternoons 4 - 5.00pm

Yorkshire Countrywomen August 13th, September 10th, 7.15 pm

Neighbourhood Watch will meet 15th September 7.00pm

Frodingham Drum Club meets Tuesday evenings, 7.30pm **during term time.**

Frodingham Parish Council - second Monday every month **except August**, at 7.30pm – all welcome

Frodingham History Group will meet 17th July for annual outing and 18th September at 7.30pm

Mature Mayhem (an exercise class for seniors) meet Friday afternoons 2-3pm for exercise and fun.

Paperback Swapshop **Closed August** re-opening September 7th, 10.00 am-12.00 pm

Youth Club alternate Friday evenings **in term time**

P T A Table top sale Saturday August 2nd 12.00 pm – 4.00 pm

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The Swap Shop continues to attract a steady stream of readers bent on exchanging their books for something new. We have over 500 books !! the Swap Shop opens on **the first Sunday in each month, except August**, for the time being. Should we lose the library van; the Swap Shop will open more frequently.



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Social Centre

Social Centre Report

The Lissett application for hall security improvements has been granted and the work will be undertaken during August.

The Mature Mayhem is still proving to be a popular way to spend a Friday afternoon in the company of friends. There is a plan in mind, to expand both the length of each session to include a game of cards or dominoes, a quiz or board game, if there is sufficient interest. New members are welcome any time.

The Drum Club and Dance group have a good membership, although the dancers have to get going again after their leader returns from maternity leave. The 'Jellytot' group for pre-nursery age youngsters is still struggling a bit, with too few participants. Do give it a try, they

have a lovely range of toys for the children and the mums enjoy the get together as well.

But, on a positive note the Youth Club has made an impressive start and looks set to continue for a long time to come. Congratulations to Jennifer Loubo and her team of helpers.

We are in the process of hiring a new grounds man, so please bear with a bit of long grass for a while, volunteers from the Parish Council and other residents are doing some sterling work until the appointment is made but everyone can help by keeping the litter to a minimum, please.

The Social Centre 'Bouncy Castle' has been hired for some children's parties and has been proved to be a very successful way of entertaining the youngsters. Contact the Secretary for details.

Next meeting of Social Centre Committee Monday 4th August, 7.30pm, Can you spare an hour or two to help support this village amenity?



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The Parish Council had to cancel the existing grass-cutting contract; the work at the Cemetery and Church, for various reasons, was not up to the standard required. As it takes more than a month to send out tenders, receive and consider the returning quotes, the residents listed above decided to volunteer and work together to reclaim the Cemetery and Church yard from the grass and weeds that were growing so aggressively.

On behalf of everyone in the Parish thank you so much for your generous and timely efforts.

Kathryn Kell, Chair to the Parish Council



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**ALL MEETINGS ARE ON THE THIRD MONDAY of March; June; September and December
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**The 2014 meetings are :
September 15th , December 15th**

If you feel you could spare approximately half an hour, then please come along to the Neighbourhood Watch meeting , where you will be most welcome.

Message from Ward County Councillors : Jonathan Owen & Jane Evison

We thought we might use the space in this edition to provide an update on some topical issues that affect the North Frodingham area.

LISSETT WIND FARM

In general we are still seeing a number of planning applications coming through for wind turbines and wind farms, like them or loathe them the Wind Farms that have received planning permission (usually on appeal) and are operational are providing sums of money annually to be used for community schemes in the area of the development.

The wind farm developers are not bound by planning regulations to set up community funds but through self-regulation it has become the norm for these companies to offer annual financial contributions to the local communities

In the East Wolds & Coastal area Lissett Wind Farm has been operational for 4 years and the latest set of projects has been agreed at a meeting of the Lissett Wind Farm Trust to allocate the annual £65,000 around our 21 parishes. Surprisingly there were only just about enough projects that qualified to mop up the fund. Over the years North Frodingham has successfully bid for and received funding for the following projects:-

- 2011 - 2012 - North Frodingham Social Centre £2,654 - Fencing to enlarge the play area and provide protection for younger children by separating different types of equipment and area from car park
- 2012 -2013 - North Frodingham Parish Council £5,000 - This was really the River Hull Valley Drainage Heritage Project but until the group formed properly North Frodingham took the lead partner role.
- 2013.-2014 - no applications
- 2014 - North Frodingham PTFA - £2000 - Playground Markings
- 2014 - North Frodingham Social Centre £2016.48 - Village Hall Security

A very enjoyable part of the process is coming up next month when we use the Community Wind Farm AGM to invite last year's successful beneficiaries to attend and share with us the difference they have been able to make to their community as a result of the funds allocated.

THORNEHOLME WINDFARM

The decision of the secretary of state to refuse the appeal for the Thornholme windfarm has come as a great relief to local residents and hopefully is the start of a change of heart by government with respect to onshore wind farms. Had the appeal been upheld then who would know what a flood of applications would then come forward on the Yorkshire Wolds.

GEMBLING SCHOOL

The closure of both Gembling & Langtoft Schools a year ago is an event we both remember well, it was a very difficult time for many parents and local residents who didn't want to see the schools close but a year on things do seem to be settling down, certainly in Langtoft where the closure of their village school did have a big impact upon the community.

Gembling's pupil numbers were 28 when the school closed last year, 7 of those were 11 and ready to move onto Secondary Education. Of the remainder 5 pupils took up places at North Frodingham Primary School and 2 at Beeford, the other 14 chose other schools in the area.



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YOUTH CLUB

Hello Fellow Youth Clubbers. We're coming to the end of Youth Club for the Summer. Our last meeting will be July 18th. We're having a disco to end the school year and Youth Club. I would like to thank everyone for the great turnouts we have had since our first meeting back in May.

We have made several new purchases including a pool table, football table, swing ball, and many other games. If you have any old games or arts and crafts items lying around your home that you're willing to part with, please consider donating to the Youth Club.

Furthermore, I would like to thank all the parents and volunteers who have come by to help in general, play board games or oversee craft making; your help is greatly appreciated! Since the Youth Club has been so successful, we're going to bring it back in the Autumn! **Our first meeting after school has started will be September 12th, 2014** and continue to meet every other Friday. Those dates being: September 26th, October 10th and October 24th; that takes us through to the first Half Term. I'll confirm more dates in a later issue of the Village Voice.

I would also like to mention that a group of Youth Clubbers will be fundraising for the Youth Club during the summer holidays. Through the organization of Lifestyles, they came to me wanting to help improve the Youth Club by fundraising so that they can purchase more equipment for Youth Club. They will be offering dog-walking and gardening services, as well as other activities, for a donation. They will also have a table at the Summer Fete on July 26th, so please come by. Furthermore, keep an eye out for flyers for more information or feel free to contact me. Call 01262 481019 or email me at jennifer.loubo@gmail.com. Thank you.

Kind Regards,
Jennifer Loubo



Next Meeting
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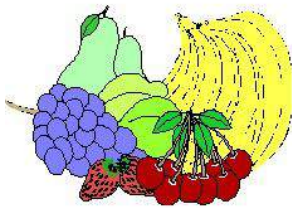


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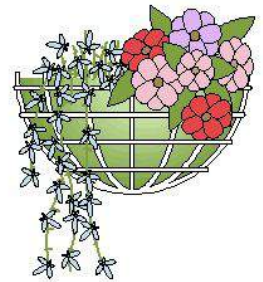


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Local History Group



Local History Group Report

The May meeting of the History Group started with the bad news that its secretary, Mercia Judson, had had a bad accident and was being treated for a fractured leg; the 24 members in attendance expressed their concern and wished her a speedy and not too painful recovery. Polly Stead chaired the meeting and Joy Harris volunteered to take the Minutes. The business of the day concerned the opening dates for the local museum and the forthcoming outing to Burton Constable Hall. Once this was concluded the floor was given to Kelly Wainwright, curator at Burton Constable, who gave a fascinating talk about the house, the family and conservation of the various collections in the Hall. The talk was accompanied by slides and covered a wide range of information which must have 'whetted the appetite' of everyone present as all opted to visit the hall.

Kelly started by talking about the Burton Constable Foundation that now is responsible for the bulk of the property; The Chichester-Constable family still own a small part of the west wing and the Caravan Park in the grounds. She explained that whereas, in its heyday the family had employed fifty staff, today the Foundation relied on just eight employees, and a large team of volunteers who undertake such work as room stewardship, conservation, repair and maintenance.

She spoke about the origins of the estate in the 12th century, as a medieval fortified settlement with a Pele Tower, and of its gradual expansion into the existing Grade 1 listed estate.

Of particular interest to her audience were the slides of the Curiosity Cabinet and its scientific, botanical, geological, medical and other artefacts, collected in 18th century, and the laborious techniques involved in conserving the fabric of Chippendale chairs and window curtains.

Everyone agreed that Kelly had given a fascinating talk about Burton Constable, it was well-presented and illustrated, and they all looked forward to their visit.

Polly Stead gave the vote of thanks, after which refreshments were made available.

North Frodingham Y.C.A. (Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association)

Meetings of the Y.C.A. are held in the Village Hall on the 2nd Wednesday of each month starting at 7.15pm. Annual membership £12 plus £1 per meeting which includes tea/coffee and biscuits, visitors £1.

Members spent a very pleasant afternoon in June visiting the home of Mary Scaife to see her numerous dolls houses. An amazing collection with houses of every shape and size filled with everything you can think of from the past to the present day. This was followed by afternoon tea. It was a lovely way to spend a sunny afternoon.

Future Meetings

Wed. 13th Aug. - Houndales Knits - comp. A pretty scarf.

Wed. 10th Sept. - Alan Fenshaw 'My Bionic Leg Experience' - comp. A pretty beaker.

Wed. 8th Oct. - Mike & Joan Abel 'Vegetables' - comp. A decorated paper plate.

New members are always welcome. Just come along to a meeting or for more information speak to any YCA member.

YCA - McMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Once again we are holding a coffee morning in the Village Hall on Friday 26th September at 10am. There will be the usual cake/bring & buy stall, raffle & tombola. Why not come along and enjoy a drink and a chat, everyone is welcome.



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Memories and Escapades of my Youth (part II)

To recap on the previous episode, Dave and I were standing on the jetty singing Auld Lang Syne with some friends we met at the clubhouse belonging to the oil company. It was now the following morning, not only had we both got thick heads, but we remembered we had promised a dance on board the ship that evening and had invited all and sundry from the club.

First let me explain: the ship was a freighter and did not have the facilities for passengers, let alone a dance floor. The boat deck was, however, a fairly open space and was where the captain's cabin was situated and, given permission from the captain, would make a reasonable dance floor with a few soap flakes scattered about. First we needed the captain's permission.....

Dave and I approached the great man, not having a clue what he would say. However, bearing in mind it was New Year's Day and he was a Scot, he was very enthusiastic and entered into the spirit of the occasion.

First we had to decorate around the boat deck with the signal flags from the signal locker, then bribe the electrician to lay on a few lights but most important, see the cook to provide snacks. As I said before, the vessel was a mere 8,000 ton freighter and carried no passengers, so everything had to be found from the supplies we had on board. Thankfully we were not a "dry" ship i.e. we did stock spirits and beer on board for our own consumption.

Evening came and, if I remember rightly, we had about twenty guests so we were not overburdened. The captain enjoyed the evening but did warn us never to do such a thing again without his prior sanction. I know this sounds a bit far-fetched to any ex-merchant seamen reading this but I can assure you it is a perfectly true story. On lots of merchant ships, cadets and apprentices were treated as cheap labour. Not so with the Harrison Line – we were looked upon as future officers who would look after the company ships, though I don't think the company would have approved of this event.

F.A.W.

Sophie's piece

So, to all those who read my little bit in the last VV I'm extremely sorry to say that I'm not going to Malawi anymore. I found out literally the day the Village Voice landed on our doorsteps that not enough people sent in their deposits to go to Malawi, and I was absolutely gutted, but now I am focussing all my efforts on an excellent charity called Lupus Research (for more information look on this website <http://www.lupusresearch.org/>). It is a really good cause which I will keep close to my heart for a very long time. I am having a coffee morning in the **Social Centre on 14th August from 10.00 to 12.00 noon** in aid of this fantastic charity and I hope I will see many of your lovely faces there. Have a lovely summer.

Sophie



RACE NIGHT

In Aid of Cancer Charities Supporting Sam Wylie

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported the event and made it such a great success in particular Colin Walker for organising sponsors for races and everyone who sold tickets for the horses.

Thanks to Sally Crozier, Susanne and Siobhan Sycamore and Rachel Wylie for taking bets on the night and to Sally and Andrew for running the bar.

Thanks to everyone who sent donations.

On the night a total of £3,386.20 was raised.



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Notes

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the 'Your Parish, Past, Present & Future' weekend a success, those who arranged flowers, made biscuits, those who made it possible to view the Parish records and to everyone who helped over the weekend. Thank you especially to all those who made donations either in church or by returning the gift envelopes, you raised a total of £2,280.

A big thank you to all those who allowed us to visit their gardens on June 14th for the 'Open Garden' event, we do appreciate all the hard work that went on beforehand and the gardens looked lovely, we heard such a lot of positive comments from people as they enjoyed their cups of tea afterwards. Thank you also to everyone who helped on the day. The final total raised was £527. All the money raised by these two events will go towards the Window Restoration Fund.

It's not too late for you to commemorate a loved one or special event ie. wedding, baptism, by buying a pane in the East Window for only £2. For more information contact Shirley Hebden on 01262 488284.

Diary Dates

Thurs.31st July. Tombola at Driffeld Market.

Thurs.14th Aug. Coffee Morning with Mrs Ros Watson, Braemar, Cross Road, North Frodingham at 10am.

Sat.6th.Sept. Garden Railway - with Mr & Mrs Alan Wilkinson. 52, Main Street Frodingham. 2 to 4pm.

Thurs.11th.Sept. Coffee Morning with Mrs Barbara Straw, 6, Manor Green, North Frodingham at 10am.

Thurs.11th.Sept. Quiz to be held in the Village Hall. 7.30 for 8pm start, £2.50 each to include supper, no more than 6 members per team. There are prizes for the winning team and spot prizes.

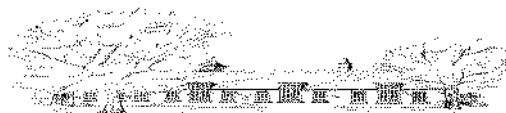
Thurs.25th.Sept. 7pm. Harvest Festival Service at church followed by Harvest Supper in the Village Hall.

Sat.11th.Oct. Driffeld Male Voice Choir - Village Hall.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms:

Sun. 25th May. Freya Emma Rush, daughter of Gerard and Sarah.



North Frodingham Primary School

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This year the weather was against us and our dancing was held inside the school hall but we managed to greet our May Queen and dance around our May Pole without getting wet. It was lovely to see how well this event is supported by our community and we appreciated all of you who took the time to come and share this with us.

Kind regards

M J K Bell

Executive Head

When I was doing the May Pole it felt different from the other dances.

It was my first time doing the May Pole, I enjoyed doing it. I liked the Spiders Web the most because it actually looked like a spider's web.

It was amazing how all the ribbons joined to make a pattern like a spider's web.

While I was doing the May Pole I felt confident because I practiced and because I trusted my partner.

It was a bit like weaving but it was still a dance.

It felt different performing it in front of the school because there was more people than there was when we practiced with the school watching.

I have some special memories that are about when I was little and I watched the May Pole now I have danced the May Pole myself which felt like I was part of tradition even more.

By Amy Johnson



Jelly Tots is a friendly, local playgroup for babies and children up to 5 years old.

We offer playtime for Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Carers together with their children offering a large selection of toys, craft activities, dress up, ride on's, singing and much more.

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If you would like to know more please call Lynn on 07823 373228.



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Parish Council

The Parish Council – What does it do?

The original parishes were ecclesiastical areas coinciding with a manor, which was essentially a collective farm, a **unit of local administration** and police, and a defensive organisation. Civil administration was conducted through two, locally-held courts; Court Baron for free tenants and Court Baron for the unfree. Over time the power and authority of the two local courts were taken over by central government based at Westminster. Today a parish council has two major roles; the first is to be the local 'eyes and ears' for the government whilst the second is to support and maintain property owned by the parish.

Whilst expected to consider and comment on any effect that government plans may have on its local population, the Parish Council has no decision-making authority.

'Localism' has been the 'buzz' word recently; initially planned to give more weight to the opinions and wishes of local representatives it has in effect had little impact. The upper tiers of government have proved to be rather reluctant to relinquish any power to the elected parish councils.

In North Frodingham the parish council is responsible for maintaining the cemetery, churchyard, village cross and the war memorial. It also supports various groups operating within the village for the benefit of residents and ensures that the Social Centre is correctly managed. The cost of this work is met by a contribution from the Council Tax.

North Frodingham is represented by eleven, eligible, residents of the parish, elected for a period of four years, or co-opted to fill an interim vacancy. All members of the council are bound, by a Code of Conduct, to conduct the affairs of the Council with probity, to openly declare any item on the Agenda in which they have a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest, and to treat members of the public and each other with respect. The councillors and clerk for North Frodingham do not take salary or claim expenses.

North Frodingham Parish Council meets on the second Monday of each month, except August, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. The meetings are open to the public and an Agenda is posted on the main Notice Board the Thursday before the meeting. It has a Clerk (or secretary) to carry out the requirements of the Council, to organise the Agenda and summon councillors to the monthly meeting, to produce the Minutes of each meeting, to forward information and/or comment to the government or other unitary authorities, to contact residents, and to manage and record financial transactions of the Council.

The main source of information on 'Local Council Administration' is the work of Charles Arnold-Baker, OBE, and now in its ninth edition dedicated

'To the Knowledgeable Amateurs Without Whom Democracy is Impossible'

Parish Council Report

The June meeting of the Parish Council was the A.G.M. during which the Chairman gave a summary of the work of the Council during the previous year and the Clerk, acting as Responsible Financial Officer, reported a healthy financial position with adequate funds available to meet the cost of renovating the War Memorial, in addition to routine Open Space management, administration and support to local groups.

The only change to the officers of the Council was the addition of Adrian Wilson to the Planning sub-committee. This group only meets when it is impossible for the full Council to consider a Planning Application within a deadline imposed by County Hall. At the conclusion of the A.G.M. Council moved to deal with the Agenda for the routine monthly meeting.

In addition to the regular items on the Agenda, such as Planning, forthcoming meetings and financial payments, Council spent some time discussing the maintenance of the Churchyard and Cemetery. The period of probation having come to an end, it was decided that the contract should be put out to tender again. The Clerk was required to prepare and circulate the necessary documentation to a minimum of three potential contractors.

Cllr Wilson volunteered to cut the grass until the next meeting when the tenders would be discussed and a new contract awarded.

During the course of the meeting Council heard that whilst Frodingham had not reported any crime or anti-social behaviour since the last meeting, there had been complaints of several different 'scams' being attempted. Special Inspector Grivil again warned everyone to be on their guard.

Cllr Greaves was able to report that the Social Centre committee had been successful in getting a grant from the Lissett Wind Farm Fund for a new front door and a security cupboard; work on this is to be scheduled for August.

The meeting closed just before 9.00 pm and the Chair announced the next meeting would be held Monday 14th July, 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. As usual the meeting is open to all residents.



From Pippa GRAVIL
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Although they have not occurred in North Frodingham itself, there have been a number of incidents reported to Humberside Police during May and June 2014 relating to fraudulent activity, with some people sending money for products on E-Bay but never seeing the items they thought they had purchased; being contacted by organisations claiming persons owe monies for products/goods purchased, which they never have. Please be very vigilant if you utilise the services of E-Bay.

There are also incidents whereby persons are being contacted by telephone, with the call maker claiming they are following up on a survey you have completed a while ago. We all receive surveys amidst the junk mail through the post and most of us can't always remember which survey we did/did not complete. Once they get you talking they lull you into a false sense of security and the next thing you know they are asking for your bank details in order to send you some money you've allegedly won for completing the survey. Don't give them any bank details as it is invariably a scam. If you do 1471 you will probably find the number doesn't accept incoming calls or doesn't exist at all.

We have received a report from a member of the public who was contacted on the telephone by a gentleman of foreign extraction who claimed to be calling from Microsoft. He was contacting her as her computer kept disconnecting from the main server and they were trying to determine the cause of this. If she could switch the computer on he would endeavour to view her settings and identify the errors. The lady became suspicious and dialled 1471 when the call ended. The telephone number was 020 747 64000, which is registered to Newham General Hospital in London.

As you may have seen from the local media, there have also been a large number of garden shed attacks in the Driffield area, resulting in garden equipment and other valuable items being stolen. Please ensure if you have a garden shed, it is securely locked at all times. It is also getting to that time of the year when people open windows and leave doors ajar due to the warm weather. This is ideal territory for the opportunist burglar. Handbags/money/car keys are left near doors or windows and are easy pickings. Do not be one of their victims.

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Junior cricket is also available at Beeford with a number of teams including under 15s and under 18s and an adult side on a Saturday.


North Frodingham AFC play in Division 1 of the Driffeld League . New players and persons who would like to become involved with the club are always welcome. Training takes place at the North Frodingham Playing Fields at 7pm. Pre season friendlies are being arranged and the league season starts on 13 September 2014. League fixtures are available on the Driffeld AFL and FA websites when they become available.




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Established 1964, Contact the Elderly is a national charity that improves the social life of older people living on their own. Free monthly Sunday afternoon tea parties are set up for small groups.

We are about to start one in the Driffield area, and need a few more volunteers before making a start.

We have 550 groups nationally - 37 in Yorkshire, the nearest being Beverley, Cottingham and Ryedale – all make a real difference to those involved by enabling people to share friendship, laughter and conversation. A small team of monthly volunteer drivers take the older guests to the tea party, held at the home of a volunteer host, then join in the fun before driving them safely home again.

Tea parties are held in the home of a different host each month for a couple of hours, allowing all those involved to develop a supportive network of friendship and giving them something to look forward to every month.

Could you help just once a month by joining the team of monthly volunteer drivers (or less often on reserve)? We need just a few more to make a start.

We also need more volunteer Hosts – normally once or twice a year, to welcome a small group home for a happy Sunday afternoon tea party. All that is needed is easy access, downstairs toilet facilities & a big teapot! Again, we need a few more to volunteer before getting going.

Please help us get a Driffield group started - make contact with Mary Robinson, Yorkshire Development Officer, T: 01535 632592 - E: mary.robinson@contact-the-elderly.org.uk - or through the website – www.contact-the-elderly.org.uk



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A GARDEN GANDER (OR – A TOUR DE PLANTS)



Earlier this year, plans were laid for a village garden opening in aid of the Church window repair fund. I was very happy to volunteer The Old Vicarage across the road, to be included alongside another eleven gardens. We have lived at The Old Vicarage for seventeen years: the garden was something of a challenge, an acre and a half of mainly rough grass, overgrown boundary trees and an enormous outdoor swimming pool which the previous incumbents filled with silt from the river. It has needed vast amounts of work, and has sometimes been quite demoralising with what feels like a losing battle against inclement weather, howling gales and rabbits.

The open gardens date was set for the afternoon of Saturday 14th June. The weeks before saw some preparation. Simon Ainge 'Mr Oddjobz' was commissioned to secure some treads on the outside steps – we did not want to get sued! Mr Wilson undertook to make sure the grass was cut, but reckoned without a flat battery in the mower, which was a bit of a nuisance.



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I managed to make sure I had some time to tidy up – the knapsack sprayer full of glyphosate came in very handy. Weed germination has been phenomenal this year, given the rain and mild temperatures. The beds and borders were gone through with a vengeance, discarding 'gone over' self-seeders and transplanting 'good doers' which had done rather too well to new homes elsewhere. The nuttury is a useful place to put them, all the perennial thugs can fight it out amongst themselves!



The final task was to hack back the jungle garden so that the paths could be followed – a bigger job than anticipated. Even so, the garden was at something of a peak on the day, with the first flush of roses out, peonies, poppies, and plenty of interest overall.

We had very few visitors during the first couple of hours, given that the garden was an outlier. My younger son Jeremy arranged his Lego Star Wars models, and some other model aeroplanes, on a desk at the entrance, which some of the

visitors quite liked. My elder son Benjamin had offered to row visitors around our pond, but was told this was not such a great idea. The only part of the garden which was not up to scratch was the big greenhouse – which got bent by gale force winds over the winter, resulting in cracked and insecure glass.

Many more people arrived between three and five pm, and everyone was complimentary. Some remembered what it was like when they had to come to see the vicar about getting married!

Unfortunately, entry duty meant that I did not get to see anybody else's garden, but I was glad that the visitors had been able to see and enjoy mine, and in a good cause.



Prof A Mortimer

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