



Goldsborough & Flaxby Parish Newsletter Summer 2020

ST. MARY'S CHURCH UPDATE

Very soon after the publication of the last Newsletter, in which I detailed the response of the church to the unfolding Coronavirus pandemic, we received instructions that all parish churches should close with immediate effect. This came with little warning or preamble and allowed little time for sharing information or contingency planning. We now find ourselves 4 months further on, with the reported death toll in our nation standing at over 44,000 individuals - everyone a tragedy, everyone a sadness.

Tentatively, the Church of England is now expecting to be directed by the Government to begin the easing of lockdown restrictions. In reality, this means that the churches may be open for individual prayer but not, as far as we can tell, for any sort of public "service". Weddings and funerals may follow, perhaps with a handful of attendees ... what may then happen is pure conjecture.

From what I can tell, Flaxby and Goldsborough have fared well and the obvious spirit of unity and village identity has supported many through these trying days. Myself and my colleague, Stroma, continue to be available for any and all in need, or those who may simply fancy a chat putting the world to rights.
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St Mary's Update continued ...

The ancient Persian adage "this too shall pass" reminds us of the temporality of the human condition, and of the things that assails us. For me, Jesus speaking in St Matthew's gospel and stating "I am with you always, even to the very end of time" talks of the ever-present nature and love of God for all people, for all time. May this promise give you hope this day and always.

Please refer to our website

www.knaresboroughanglicans.org.uk

(Coronavirus) for information related to which churches in the parish are open at this time and other related information.

I continue to send my prayers, best wishes and love until we meet again. Revd Garry Hinchcliffe, St. Mary's Church, Goldsborough. Tel: 01423-202092

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Goldsborough & Flaxby Grouped Parish Council (GFPC)

No monthly meeting has taken place since 2 March 2020. To keep people in touch with what the Parish Council has been involved with up to 30 June 2020, an overview was issued in early July. Further overviews for each month are planned to be issued going forward until "face to face" meetings are safely able to recommence. Overview details can be found on the village notice boards, the GFPC website **www.goldsboroughflaxbypc.co.uk** and have been circulated from the GFPC mailing list. If you are not already on the mailing list and would like to be added, please email Caroline Greenhalgh at **gfpclist@gmail.com**.

Planning Matters

Since the Spring Newsletter, there has been an unusually high amount of planning issues arisen in or adjoining our two Parishes. Excluding tree works and enforcements these are as follows:

11 extra houses at Manse Farm

housing development: this housing site located just beyond the Toyota garage into Knaresborough currently has planning permission for 300 new homes. GFPC has objected to this increase, on which HBC has not yet made a decision.

New Aldi store beside the new roundabout just beyond the Toyota

garage: GFPC raised various concerns. HBC approved Planning Permission (with conditions) at the end of May 2020.

New house beside Flaxby Grange in

Flaxby: The developer presented detailed drawings to HBC to deal with reserved matters. GFPC raised certain concerns and the developer subsequently withdrew those details, then shortly after resubmitted them showing a two-storey house rather than three storeys. HBC has not yet made a decision.

New bungalow/office at Oakwood Farm,

Hay-a-Park: GFPC had no objections. HBC has not yet made a decision.

5 replacement windows at The Limes,

Goldsborough: GFPC had no objections. HBC has not yet made a decision.

Rear 2 storey extension to Cinder Path Cottage, Goldsborough:

GFPC raised concerns, and suggested it should be just a single storey extension. HBC has not yet made a decision.

New rear raised decking at 10 Shortsill

Lane, Flaxby: GFPC had no objections to this. HBC has yet to make a decision.

Crane housing/infrastructure at Ilke

Homes, Flaxby Moor Works: GFPC had no objections. HBC has yet to make a decision.

Continuation of large external

illuminated sign at Ilke Homes, Flaxby

Moor Works: GFPC had no objections.

HBC has yet to make a decision.

Additional parking (199 spaces) at Ilke

Homes: GFPC commented on the large number required at this site (551), there being only 10 electric charging points and potential light pollution. HBC has yet to make a decision.

Revised details issued in order to discharge reserved matters relating to the

36 dwellings beside Goldsborough

Cricket Club: GFPC objects to the new details provided, which do not appear to address previous concerns. There are also some additional concerns identified. The PC is to respond to HBC by 14 July with the public to respond by 16 July.

Rear extension to North Barn, East

View Court, Goldsborough: This is a revised and smaller extension to that refused by HBC in 2018. GFPC and the public are to respond to HBC by the 19th July.

Other matters: Footpaths & Bridleways

GFPC would like to remind people that, when out walking, to please stay on public footpaths and bridleways. It is trespassing and can be dangerous to stray off these when beside fields and in woods. A recent example is when a cover had broken on a deep chamber full of water in a field just a matter of a few meters away from the bridleway that goes from Midgeley Lane, Goldsborough down to Goldsborough Mill Farm. This is now covered up.

The Parish Council is hoping to find out more about historic footpath/bridleway routes locally. If you have old detailed maps (pre-1960) covering Goldsborough or Flaxby that you would be willing to lend to the Parish Council, please contact GFPC Clerk, Derrik Summers on 07999 609249 or [**gboroflaxbypc@gmail.com**](mailto:gboroflaxbypc@gmail.com).

Goldsborough & Flaxby Oil Co-operative

The Coronavirus lockdown period has seen a great interest in the benefits of joining the G & F Oil Co-operative with new villagers registering to join. They, together with all the existing members, are enjoying Tate Oil Company's advantageous trading terms.

Why not join us? Membership is available to all residents of Goldsborough, Flaxby and neighbouring villages whose main heating fuel is oil. All correspondence is confidential. To start enjoying the financial benefits simply e mail

[**goldsborough.flaxby.oil1@gmail.com**](mailto:goldsborough.flaxby.oil1@gmail.com)

and we will send you all the information needed.

Goldsborough & Flaxby Walking Group

The Coronavirus lockdown has prevented us from organising Group Walks but many residents of Goldsborough, Flaxby and the adjoining areas have continued to enjoy walking locally, benefitting from the fantastic March/April/May "Summer" weather.

Once the lockdown and social distancing is lifted, we will be actively organising local and not so local walks. Please join us and enjoy our camaraderie and walking in the beautiful local countryside. You can be sure of a warm welcome.

If you are interested in joining our very sociable walking group please e mail [**goldsborough.walks@outlook.com**](mailto:goldsborough.walks@outlook.com) for more information. We look forward to receiving your email!

Flaxby School Room Trust

The Flaxby School Room Trust provides financial support to students and adults living in Flaxby and Goldsborough to assist with further education. Support is available to students studying at GCSE or A Level standard leading to further education at University or Colleges of Further Education; students undertaking an apprenticeship or training leading to further education and/or professional qualifications; and mature students undertaking courses through the Open University or Further Education establishments/Evening Classes. Students who fall into the categories above or others who feel they may qualify are invited to contact one of the Trustees: David Procter 01423 862685 or Mike Munden 01423 860506.

Women's Institute

Goldsborough WI has not been able to meet since early March and, as yet, has no information as to when meetings may start again.

Our Chairman has kept members well informed with regular news and advice by email. North Yorkshire West Federation has also circulated weekly and monthly newsletters, now by email.

One member has been making and gifting face coverings, and another member has sewn PPE gowns. An Institute gardening group has been formed with members enthusiastically sharing plants and gardening ideas, and a few members have been doing regular "social distance" walks around Goldsborough. Please contact the secretary on 01423 866086 for further information should you be interested in joining us.

Goldsborough Cricket Club

It is pleasing to report that recreational cricket will recommence on the advice of the Government and the English Cricket Board in the next few weeks. Our members have been allowed to practice following strict guidelines, but no team cricket has yet taken place. The Evening League has already been cancelled in its entirety, but it is hoped that there may be some Saturday competitive cricket and Junior cricket as the situation improves. All will be subject to us following all the guidelines to keep players and spectators safe.

Anyone interested in playing in the remaining months of the season, please contact the Club Chairman, Damon Ive on 07823 334899.

Our thanks go to Chris Saul and Ian Short for continuing to cut and roll during these strange times.

Goldsborough Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

We are pleased to report that Goldsborough now has its own Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (GNW). We have 7 Co-ordinators covering Goldsborough village, each of whom have been allocated an area. Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) residents will have been contacted by their individual Co-ordinator, and North Yorkshire Police notices are being forwarded directly to all subscribing residents by the Main Co-ordinator.

Notices of a local nature will be cascaded to residents by their Co-ordinator. We are seeking to replace or obtain additional NHW signs in the village. The GNW has been set up to inform residents in the village of current crime notices issued by the police that are relevant to us. In turn, residents will be encouraged to contact their Co-ordinator should an issue arise in the village that is deemed to be of concern to the rest of the village.

We would like to invite you to be part of this scheme if you have not done so already.

To join, please email Mandy Evans at ***amandalevans83@gmail.com*** or telephone 01423 863898.

Goldsborough Play Area

The play area re-opened on 4 July. People are requested to keep their distance and, if the play area is busy, to please come back later. They are also requested to wash and sanitise their hands regularly and to limit their children's play to one hour in order to allow others to use the area.

Flaxby Morrisons/Chippindale Extreme Litter Issue

Following a severe littering issue at the lay-bys opposite Morrisons just outside Flaxby Village, HBC's Environmental Health Dept were informed of the situation, which resulted in Fly Tipping warning signs being erected in both lay-bys. For the past few months, Flaxby residents have been reporting details of the lorries parked in the lay-bys, and HBC Environmental Health has contacted every respective haulage company, making them aware of the issue, and requesting their drivers to respect the area. This continues to be an ongoing exercise. Huge thanks go to Mike & William Dodd and Helen Baggaley for their excellent reporting on a daily basis.

Covid-19 Co-Operation Food Bank

Flaxby residents have been extremely generous throughout lockdown, donating items such as material and thread to their fellow residents who were making scrubs and masks for the Harrogate Nightingale Hospital. More recently, a request for food bank items resulted in literally hundreds of items being donated by Flaxby's generous residents, all of which were gratefully received by the many desperate families around our area. **This is an ongoing issue.** If any residents in either Goldsborough or Flaxby have anything at all they are able to donate to the food bank, please contact Helen Baggaley at ***hbbaggaley@gmail.com***.

Flaxby Social Events

Unfortunately, the annual Cheese & Wine on 2 May had to be cancelled due to the Coronavirus lockdown. However, we are hoping to replace the Annual Garden Party on Sunday 16 August with a village picnic, held at South Edge at 2 .30pm, should Government guidelines allow at that time.

Goldsborough & Flaxby Golfing

Society

As the virus is finally being overcome, and easing of social restrictions continues, we are in the process of revitalising our golf and social activities. Members were able to return to playing golf last month, within set precautions, and we have already been able to play some planned matches. The evening match at Ilkley Golf Course was won by Jonathan Tremayne (on his first outing with the Society), and the President's Day Competition at Pannal Golf Course was won by Jonathan Oxley. Golf events for the rest of the season should be as programmed.

On the social side we had to postpone a planned Cheese & Wine evening to the autumn, and the Barbecue planned for July must also be held at a later date. The perennial favourite Pie & Pea Supper and the Christmas Lunch, both at Goldsborough Cricket Club, will take place as programmed towards the end of the year. As always, the Society welcomes new members for golf/social or social events only membership; if you are interested please contact the secretary, Howard Dunnill on 868643 or e mail ***howarddunnill1@gmail.com*** or via an existing member.

Goldsborough Hall

Goldsborough Hall Gardens will be open for the NGS Sunday 19 July. Tickets must be booked online at ***www.ngs.org.uk*** £5 for adults, children and dogs free. You can pre-order cream teas and picnic boxes to enjoy on the lawns by calling 01423 867321.

Goldsborough Hall will reopen to guests from 1 August. The dining room will be available for dinner bookings, but will be closed on Monday and Tuesday's. Weekend lunch menu will be available from Saturday 8 August and afternoon tea is available to book from Wednesday 12 August. For enquiries or questions please email ***info@goldsboroughhall.com***

The Bay Horse Inn

The Bay Horse opened from 4 July with bedrooms available to book from Monday 6 July.

New opening times as follows:

Monday: Food 4-8pm; Bar 4-10pm

Tues-Thurs: Food 12-8pm; Bar 12-10pm

Fri & Sat: Food 12-9pm; Bar 12-11pm

Sun: Food 12-6pm; Bar 12-8pm

Tables for food should be pre-booked by calling 01423 797777 or online at ***www.bayhorseinn.co.uk***. If you do not have a reservation and we have a table available we will need to take your details and enter you onto the system to be held for 21 days purely for use with NHS Track & Trace. Likewise, if you just want a drink and we have a table available, we will need to take your details. The grass at the back of the beer garden is available if you want to meet up for a drink, bring a blanket, order online and we will bring the drinks to you.

Things will be a bit different for a while with a one-way system, we will ask those that can to order online and hours will be reduced. We will also be operating contactless payment.

Takeaway will be available again for 7 days a week from Saturday 4 July. Please order online at ***www.bayhorseinn.co.uk***.

Christmas opening hours and menus are on the website, we are now taking bookings for Christmas Day lunch (already half full). The village shop will be open 7 days a week located in the back bar from 8am until close. Now that the pub is open, we will increase items available to include bacon, sausage, bread, sweets and ice cream, crisps plus the essentials we have stocked since lockdown began.

For enquiries or questions please email ***info@bayhorseinn.co.uk***.

Thank you to The Bay Horse

Residents from both villages would like to say ***THANK YOU*** to The Bay Horse for their Grocery Shop and Take-Away Service whilst lockdown has been in operation. It has been much appreciated by many.

AUTUMN/WINTER 2020 NEWSLETTER

If you have any information or notices that you would like to be included in the Autumn/Winter Newsletter, please contact Mike Munden at ***m.munden929@btinternet.com***