

# **Goldsborough and Flaxby**

## **Parish Newsletter**

### **Autumn/Winter 2021**

#### St Mary the Virgin, Goldsborough

As Autumn recedes into Winter, we are delighted to say that St Mary's remains open for services, and we have been busy inside and out.

Over the last few months, we have had a significant wedding ministry which has fulfilled the dreams of many a bride and groom following lockdowns, to be married and have their reception in our beautiful village.

Within the church itself we have had the window reinstated on the south side along with its accompanying stonework. This has been a huge effort through hard work and donations and the result is stunning. Our next project is to clear the church of some of the well-meaning clutter that has accumulated over many years, making the worship space and the vestry more attractive, and hopefully a venue that can be used in the future by other groups within the village. The churchyard itself has benefitted greatly from the work of volunteers who have cleared much of the weeds and repositioned much of the gravel - all working towards our eco-church initiative.

As Christmas approaches, we will be having the regular and usual raft of services, to which everybody is most welcome. One particular mention is required - following on from last year's much appreciated event of Carol Singing in and around Goldsborough, the date has been set for Sunday 19 December at 4pm - more information will be coming out but put it on your diaries now.

May the Incarnate Lord Jesus bless and keep you all for the remainder of this year and well into the next. Blessings, Revd Garry Hinchcliffe

St Mary's is hosting the Harrogate Male Voice Choir Concert on Saturday 11 December 2021 at 7.30pm. Tickets £10 each, Family £25 to include a glass of wine or soft drink and mince pie or Christmas cake. Tickets from Jackie Shaw 01423 863939 or Nicky Wynn 01423 864316.

Many thanks to Helen Bagdaley from Flaxby for the front cover photograph

Please submit information, notices, or portrait style photographs for the Spring Newsletter to Mike Munden by email to [m\\_munden829@btinternet.com](mailto:m_munden829@btinternet.com).

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2022



**St Mary's Goldsborough & Flaxby 2022 Calendar** - £7 per calendar containing seasonal photographs by local residents of scenes from our two villages in slimline (kitchen) format with space for appointments. If you would like to purchase, please contact Carol Ballard on 01423 797441 or 07855 706762 or email [carol.mary@btinternet.com](mailto:carol.mary@btinternet.com).

### **Goldsborough and Flaxby Grouped Parish Council (GFPC)**

**Planning Matters** - Excluding tree works and planning enforcements, the following are planning applications or matters relating to our Parishes (or close by) since June 2021.

**Flaxby Grange** - HBC approved planning permission on 5 July 2021 for this revised scheme comprising a two storey, a single storey and a dormer extension.

**3 Cinders Walk, Goldsborough** - this application was resubmitted by the applicants in early July 2021 to again comprise the recladding to a dormer and replacement grey uPVC windows as previous, revised to comprise a shorter garage with no home office or gym. HBC approved this on 27 July 2021.

**Front open porch to 4 East View Court, Goldsborough** - GFPC confirmed on 5 August 2021 that it had no objections, and HBC approved it on 25 August 2021.

**162kW of solar photovoltaic panels to roof at Ilke Homes Ltd, Flaxby Covert** GFPC confirmed it had no objections on 24 August 2021 and HBC approved it on 7 September 2021.

**24 additional dwellings at Manee Farm housing development (behind the new Aldi)** - Taylor Wimpey had applied for a further 24 houses on top of the 600 already approved. At its Planning Committee Meeting on 14 September 2021, HBC approved these extra 24 homes.

**Land to SW of Jn 47 A59/A1M** - GFPC objected to this Hybrid (part Full, part Outline) Planning Application in April 2021. The developers made a recent resubmission for this Employment Park, but little has changed. The developer's

submission still fails to keep to the parameters approved within the Outline Planning Permission of 2017. GFPC therefore reiterated to HBC on 7 October 2021 its original concerns and objections. Historic England, ~~Arkestone, Crowthorne & Claxton~~ Parish Council and Highways Authority England also object to this resubmission by the developers.

**36 dwellings beside Goldsborough Cricket Club** - the developers resubmitted its Reserved Matters planning application in September 2021. GFPC, together with some Goldsborough residents objected to this resubmission. Consequently, HBC convened its Planning Committee Meeting on 26 October 2021 where Cllr ~~Beatham~~ for GFPC and Noel Evans representing villagers, each spoke for their allotted 3 minutes objecting to this development. However, HBC Planning Committee approved the resubmission and this development will now be able to commence. The HBC website indicates that 10% of Goldsborough residents submitted comments to HBC, of which all were against the development.

**Lighting for 199 car parking spaces at Ilke Homes Ltd Flaxby Covert** - GFPC has concerns over light pollution and confirmed this to HBC on 5 November 2021.

**Front porch extension, rear terrace, fenestration alterations, hard paving and internal works to 6 Goldsborough Court, Goldsborough** - GFPC confirmed on 5 November 2021 to HBC that it had no objections.

**5 Avenue House Court, Goldsborough** - following an application for a single storey extension with log burner in August 2021, that was subsequently withdrawn, the homeowner has now applied for the extension but without the log burner. GFPC has yet to comment on this by its deadline of 3 December 2021.

**New Parish Councillor** - following the resignation of Natalie Boyle earlier this year, GFPC is delighted to confirm that Dennis James has taken on the position of a Goldsborough Councillor, whom we welcome to the Parish Council.

### **Goldsborough & Flaxby Walking Group**

With the lifting of lockdown, we have enjoyed excellent walks during the last months. The monthly programme is being organised so please join us and enjoy our camaraderie and walking in the beautiful local countryside. If you are a walker and are interested in joining our very sociable walking group, please email [goldsborough.walks@outlook.com](mailto:goldsborough.walks@outlook.com) for more information - you can be sure of a warm welcome.

### **Goldsborough & Flaxby Oil Co-Operative**

- our oil purchasing co-operative continues to grow and we have welcomed new members, some new residents to our villages and some 'old residents' who have only recently decided to join the co-operative. Membership is open to ALL residents of Goldsborough & Flaxby, and local villages or communities where OIL is the main fuel for heating. Members buying their heating oil through the Co-operative benefit financially. If you are not a member and are paying full market price for your heating oil, seriously consider joining your neighbours and become a member of the Goldsborough & Flaxby Oil Co-operative. Email: [goldsborough.flaxby.oil1@gmail.com](mailto:goldsborough.flaxby.oil1@gmail.com) for full information and start enjoying the financial benefits.

### **Goldsborough & Flaxby Golfing**

**Society** - our full programme of Golfing and Social events for 2022 is planned and will be circulated to all members. Our next Golfing/Social day is The Winter Warmer and Lunch on Friday 10 December, followed by our Annual Dinner at [Pappal Golf Club](#) on Thursday 20 January 2022. Information on these two events will be circulated to members shortly. Our AGM is planned for 22 March 2022. As ever we welcome new members, golf or social. Please contact the secretary Lance Ogden at [goldsboroughflaxbygs1998@gmail.com](mailto:goldsboroughflaxbygs1998@gmail.com) or via an existing member for further information.

**Goldsborough Cricket Club** - the cricket season ended in mid-September and both Saturday sides can be proud of their performances in 2021. We are now one of

the leading clubs in the area with teams in Divisions One and Four and we now have a crop of talented youngsters achieving success on the field. Nevertheless, we have a very small squad of players and we are continually on the lookout for new players. Anyone interested may want to join us at our indoor nets in the New Year at King James's School. Our juniors will again be competing in the Nidderdale Junior League in 2022 after a successful season at u/18 level, reaching the cup final. The club is now open again for functions and meetings. We intend to do a membership recruitment drive in 2022 and welcome players for our darts team, which plays on Tuesday evenings in the winter months. If anyone is interested in playing, joining as a social member, or sponsoring the club please contact Damon [Lye](#) on 07823 334899 or John Whitehead on 01423 863514.

### **Goldsborough Women's Institute**

- meets on the first Thursday of each month in the Cricket Pavilion at 7.30pm. We aim to have a guest speaker or demonstrator at each meeting and the details will be displayed in the village bus shelter before each meeting. Visitors are most welcome and it is an easy way to get to know people, particularly when you are new to the village. Please contact the secretary on 01423 866088 should you be interested in coming along.

### **Goldsborough Neighbourhood Watch**

**Scheme (GNW)** - belonging to a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme can save you on your household insurance! If you have not already joined, please contact: Mandy Evans on 01423 863898 or email [amandalevans83@gmail.com](mailto:amandalevans83@gmail.com).

### **Post early for Christmas**

- we have been advised by the Goldsborough Post Office that some overseas posting dates have been brought forward by Royal Mail due to the different ways some countries are dealing with post from overseas due to the Covid pandemic (eg. Portugal has been brought forward by 10 days). Please pick up a "Delivering Christmas" pamphlet from Goldsborough Post Office and the Post Mistress will advise you of the most recent changes.

**Goldsborough Hall** – Lots of Christmas fun at Goldsborough Hall this December!

**Three-course Festive Lunches** including coffee and petit fours served on 3, 5, 11, 12, & 17 December 12-2pm; £29 adult, £15 children.

**Festive Afternoon Tea** served from 2.30-4pm Wednesday to Sunday; £35 adult; children £15.

**Four-course Festive Dining** in the AA 3-roselet Dining Room will be served from 6.30-8pm; £50 adult; children £25.

A few spaces left on **An Evening of Opera, the West End and Festive Classics** with the acclaimed singer Jenny Williams on Thursday 9 December; £85 adults.

**Little Elves Arts and Crafts Workshop** on 20 December 2-4pm; Children £15 including soft drinks, activities, biscuits and a gift from under the tree. Adult supervision required at all times.

Limited availability for villagers for our ever-popular **New Year's Eve Ball** (dining at the Hall on NYE is fully booked). From 10pm enjoy a complimentary glass of fizz on arrival followed by dancing to live music until 1pm. Pre-book tickets for £20 per person; on the night £25 (if space allows)

**Three-course New Year's Day Lunch** served from 12-3pm; adults £35; children £15. For menus and more information, see [www.goldsboroughhall.com/whatson](http://www.goldsboroughhall.com/whatson) (Murder Mystery and the Wreath Workshops are fully booked). Call 01423 887321 or email

[info@goldsboroughhall.com](mailto:info@goldsboroughhall.com) to book.

**The Bay Horse Inn** - **Festive Dining** served from 2 December throughout the whole month. 2 courses £22; 3 Courses £27; Under 12 2 Courses £11; 3 Courses £13.50 **Five-course Christmas Day lunch** served from noon; adults £70; children under 12 £35 (£10 non-refundable deposit on booking; pre-orders and full payment by 20th Dec). Almost fully booked. The pub will be open on **New Year's Eve** with the a la carte menu and specials. For menus and more information visit [www.bayhorseinn.co.uk](http://www.bayhorseinn.co.uk). Call 01423 797777 or email pub manager Amanda on [info@bayhorseinn.co.uk](mailto:info@bayhorseinn.co.uk).

**Goldsborough School** - we were delighted to welcome 7 new children to Class 1 in September, who soon settled in to school life with the help of their Year 6 Buddies. Many of the children have taken part in Football Competitions at Harrogate High School which has been a welcome return to competitive sport following the many restrictions. Our wonderful families donated lots of food items to the church for Harvest, which have been donated to the Knaresborough food bank. These vital donations will make a difference to so many families. The children enjoyed a "BREAK THE RULES" day, organised by school PTA FROGS. We returned to school after the half term break and children and staff have decorated the school railings with poppies to commemorate Remembrance Day. The poppies look beautiful and add a little colour now that winter is on its way. The challenges of Local Authority restrictions remain, but we are working hard as a school community to provide wonderful experiences for our children.

**Flaxby Free School Foundation** - any students/adults in Flaxby or Goldsborough currently studying on degree or further education courses who could benefit from assistance in a financial contribution towards the costs of books or equipment for their courses should contact any of the Trustees listed below to discuss their application and to request an application form: William Elliott 889541, Mike Munden 880506 or Mervin Straughan 864168.

**Resurrected Bites** - a big thank you to all villagers for their donations throughout the pandemic. If anybody is passing Gracious Street Church on a Tuesday or a Friday, we are back open as a cafe/shop for "pay as you feel" breakfasts and lunches - please pop in and support us as you feel able.

**Flaxby Social Events** -

**Sunday 12 December 2021** - Annual Carol Singing, meet on The Green at 6.45pm, then for mulled wine & mince pies at Byways from 8pm onwards.

23 April 2022 – Cheese & Wine Party

5 June 2022 – Platinum Jubilee Party

14 August 2022 – Village Garden Party

20 October 2022 – Village Quiz

18 December 2022 – Annual Carol Singing