

Goldsbrough and Flaxby Parish Newsletter Spring 2022



St Mary's Church, Goldsbrough

St Mary's has been making full use of the recent lovely weather by continuing our gardening projects in the graveyard around the church, planting flowers, a commemorative tree and some new benching which we hope that many people will come along and visit.

We are particularly thankful to Goldsbrough School and their Headteacher Mrs Ellis, their Science Coordinator, and our own Nicky Wynn who have helped develop our new bug hotels which you will find at the back of the church. These should increase the biodiversity of the area around the church and help the pupils learn about the ways we can make our environment more sustainable.

We were also delighted to welcome the whole school and their families to church on Thursday 26 March, the first time they have all been able to come since the start of the Covid pandemic. It was exciting to see the church full and brimming with excitement as the children performed a fantastic rendition of the full Easter story with songs and prayers. There will be pictures and a video on the school website shortly. We are looking forward to a busy end of Lent and Easter and all would be very welcome to come and join us for our services and reflections. Details of our Easter services can be found overleaf ...

Many thanks to Mervin Straughan from Flaxby for his front cover photograph showing beautiful Leopard's Bane flowers

St Mary's Church, Goldsborough

Sunday 10 April – Palm Sunday Family service at 9.00am. Fingers crossed lots of fun plus bring your carrots for William the Donkey who will be joining us! Our new Associate Priest Lisa Holland is being licensed at St John's, Knaresborough and is looking forward to taking some of the Goldsborough services.

Thursday 14 April - Maundy Thursday, 11.00am Chrism Mass at Ripon Cathedral, a wonderful service where members of the parishes have been invited to attend.

Friday 15 April - Good Friday. Our Reader Marilyn Summers will lead an hour at the Cross at St Mary's between 2-3pm as we reflect on the events of that day 2000+ years ago.

We are all looking forward to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at the beginning of June, where the Church is planning lots of events inside and outside of church including an Easter egg hunt, a film of the Queen's life and grand picnic which we hope many of you will come along and join. Please keep your eyes and ears open for more details within the village and also on the St Mary's Church Facebook page which, if you "like", will then update you with all the news and upcoming events.

Everyone at St Mary's wishes you and your families the very best, and all our blessings and prayers for a happy, healthy and peaceful Easter and Spring.

Bell Ringing Recruiting – are you interested in learning to ring the bells at St Mary's? We ring every second Sunday for the Service, and on special occasions including Weddings and Funerals. Goldsborough has a unique trio of bells, now hung for chiming. Two cast in 1408 welcomed the return of the army from Agincourt and there are local names on the muster roll. It would be a great shame if, after 600 years, they were to become silent. To keep them ringing **we need volunteers** to chime and maintain the bells and ropes. If anyone is interested, please contact Mandy Evans (863898) and we will arrange learning sessions.

Celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee As part of the Queen's Green Canopy initiative, St. Mary's Church has planted a crab apple tree in the churchyard, close to the roadside wall, so it is easily visible to anyone passing. It is a variety called 'Royalty' which seems appropriate. It will bear pink/crimson flowers in the Spring, and small fruits in the Autumn which will benefit birds and other wildlife. The tree will be dedicated at the service at 9.00am on **Sunday 5 June**. A 'Bring your Own Picnic' lunch in the churchyard is also being planned on **Sunday 5 June**, with some activities for children. Everybody is welcome, so please put the date in your diary. It will be good to get-together, and an ideal opportunity to see the results of all the hard work that has transformed the churchyard. More details later – there will be posters up in the church porch, Goldsborough bus shelter and Flaxby noticeboard.

Goldsborough and Flaxby Grouped Parish Council (GFPC)

Parish Clerk vacancy

The Parish Council is still seeking a replacement Parish Clerk. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please get in touch with a Parish Councillor or the current Parish Clerk at gboroflaxbypc@gmail.com.

Volunteers for the Goldsborough Play Area - the Parish Council is looking for volunteers to take monthly turns at checking every week the play equipment, rubber surfacing, gate and fencing. This would involve ticking-off a pre-prepared checklist and, where there are items identified of need of maintenance, details added onto the sheet. This should only take 5 - 10 minutes. Please contact the Parish Clerk if you are willing to help.

Planning Matters

Excluding tree works and planning enforcements, the following are planning applications or matters relating to our Parishes (or close by) since late November 2021.

Front porch extension, rear terrace, fenestration changes, hard paving and some internal works at 6 Goldsborough Court, Goldsborough. Approved by Harrogate Borough Council (HBC) on 25 November 2021.

Garden outbuilding and external works changes to Stone Cottage, Station Road, Goldsborough. On 15 December 2021, GFPC queried with HBC on the drive gate height and the location of the garden room. No decision yet from HBC.

350 holiday lodges on the old Flaxby Golf Course. On 17 December 2021, GFPC strongly objected to this application as it had done to the previous application for 400 holiday lodges. The application was refused by HBC on 31 March 2022.

Single storey extension to 5 Avenue House Court, Goldsborough. On 4 January 2022, HBC refused this revised application.

Extended lighting times for 199 car parking spaces for Ilke Homes Ltd at Flaxby Moor. On 7 February 2022, HBC approved the revised application.

Employment Park at land to SW of Jn 47 A59/A1M. On 7 March 2022, HBC approved this part full and part outline application.

Up to 9 Eco-custom self-build dwellings at York Road, Flaxby. On 20 December 2021, GFPC strongly objected to this application. On 28 January 2022, HBC refused it. On 9 March 2022, HBC informed GFPC of an appeal submitted by the applicant to the Planning Inspectorate. Comments dead-line is **6 April 2022**.

First floor extension over existing double garage at 3 Goldsborough Court, Goldsborough. On 18 March 2022 GFPC objected on the grounds of overlooking/loss of privacy and effect on visual amenity. No decision yet from HBC

Replacement of a temporary single storey unit with a larger single storey permanent building to serve as a dayroom with small gymnasium at The Green Paddock, (north west side of A59 roundabout). On 20 March 2022, GFPC confirmed to HBC it had no objections.

Temporary re-route of existing bridleway in Flaxby Covert - this is due to a new roundabout required for the recently approved Employment Park. GFPC has until 14 April 2022 to respond to HBC with its comments.

New industrial unit of approx. 2000m2 at field next to ex. Goldsborough Station. On 29 March 2022, HBC informed GFPC of an initial Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Opinion that GFPC has until 22 April 2022 to respond to HBC with comments.

Should you have any information or concerns about Planning Applications near you that you feel the Parish Council might not otherwise be aware of do please get in touch with the Parish Clerk at [**gboroflaxbypc@gmail.com**](mailto:gboroflaxbypc@gmail.com).

20's Plenty - GFPC is supporting the initiative to encourage 20mph in rural villages nationwide and, in particular, the 20's Plenty for North Yorkshire campaign. Should you wish to personally support this campaign, or find out how you can make a difference to prevent traffic speeding through both Flaxby and Goldsborough, please email [*Goldsboroughandflaxby20isplenty@outlook.com*](mailto:Goldsboroughandflaxby20isplenty@outlook.com).

New residents to Flaxby and Goldsborough- If you know of any new residents to either village, please let the Parish Clerk know so he can arrange for a Welcome Pack of local information (as included on the Parish Council website) to be delivered to them.

Keeping Goldsborough Tidy – If anyone who has an interest in keeping Goldsborough tidy, please get in touch with Lynn Ogden (01423 866086) or the Parish Clerk at [**gboroflaxbypc@gmail.com**](mailto:gboroflaxbypc@gmail.com). The aim is to form a team to improve any neglected public accessible areas in the village.

Goldsborough Neighbourhood Watch Scheme - Belonging to Neighbourhood Watch can save you on your household insurance! To join, please contact Mandy Evans on 01423 863898 or email [**amandaveans83@gmail.com**](mailto:amandaveans83@gmail.com).

Goldsborough Hall

Easter Lunch or Afternoon Tea, Sunday 17 April. Easter lunch - £39 per adult, £18 per child;

Easter Afternoon Tea - £35 per person.

Easter Trail for the Kids - Sat 16th/Sun 17th April from 10am-4pm £5 per child.

A fun and family-friendly treasure hunt within the grounds.

History Tour & Talk - explore the Hall's rich 400-year history and gardens on a fascinating tour.

Various dates available as follows - Tues 19 April, Tues 24 May, Tues 28 June, Monday 18 July.

All dates from 2pm to 4pm; Adults £20 to include a cream tea.

Father's Day Sunday 17th June

Treat your dad to Sunday Lunch or Afternoon Tea. Lunch - £39 per adult, £18 per child; Afternoon

Tea - £35 per person.

National Garden Scheme - Garden Opening Sun 24 July, 11am to 5pm. A great chance to wander

the grounds of Goldsborough Hall. Adults £5; kids free. Dogs on leads welcome. Plant stall.

Refreshments in the Orangery. All proceeds to NGS charities.

The hall is open for non-resident 3AA rosette dining from Wed-Sun for afternoon tea or dinner, also

lunch on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 01423 867321 for more information or email

info@goldsboroughhall.com to book.

The Bay Horse, Goldsborough

Easter Sunday Lunch - 17 April and an

Easter Quiz on Monday 18 April.

To celebrate the **Platinum Jubilee** there will be a BBQ with music on Saturday 4 June and a special

Jubilee Quiz on Sunday 5 June, as detailed earlier in this newsletter.

Father's Day Sunday Lunch - 19 June.

For menus, more information and to book visit www.bayhorseinn.co.uk. Call 01423 797777 or email

pub manager Amanda on info@bayhorseinn.co.uk.

Resurrected Bites

We continue with 3 "pay as you can" cafes each week – Gracious Street Methodist Church, Knaresborough on Tuesdays and Fridays, and West Park United Reform Church in Harrogate on Wednesdays. Please pop down and enjoy delicious breakfasts, lunches and cakes and support us in diverting nutritious food from landfill and help us to feed vulnerable families.

We now have nearly 300 households registered with our grocery stores where they can purchase a subsidised food shop. We are now offering money management courses and a work club to help people at a difficult time in their lives. With rising energy costs, we are finding more people are now needing our help and support.

Helen Baggaley at 8 Shortsill Lane, Flaxby is happy to take any donations to the warehouse.

Should you wish to donate, please contact Helen at hbaggaley@gmail.com. Visit our cafes and see

for yourself. To find out more visit our website www.resurrectedbites.co.uk.

Flaxby Social Events

- **Sat 23 April** – Cheese & Wine Party at Rosebank, from 7.30pm onwards.
- **Sunday 5 June** – Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration – Red, White & Blue bring your own picnic at Byways from 2.30pm onwards.
- **Saturday 7 August** – Annual Village Garden Party at 7 The Grange from 2.30pm onwards.
- **Thursday 20 October** – Village Quiz – The Tiger Inn, Coneythorpe – details to be confirmed.
- **Sunday 18 December** – Annual Village Carol Singing – followed by festive refreshments at Herons Keep.

Summer 2022 Newsletter

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

Your sunny summery photographs would also be much appreciated!