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All the news and views from our three villages

#### IN MY OPINION

Would you like to contribute something that you feel strongly about and want to tell our readers? If so, please email it or let your village representative have your copy (around 350 words) in good time for next month.

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## **Editor Notes**

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Dear Readers

A big thank you this month goes to Claire & Thomas Howard, and Freya & Mason Owens—our new magazine distributors. Also to Michaela Blount for taking on the Treasurer role from Paula Hadley. Thanks to Paula for doing such a fantastic job over the years. More people volunteering makes a huge difference so if you could spare a couple of hours each month. please do get in touch.

The October edition celebrates the final events of the summer and looks ahead to the Autumn season, this issue is no different. We have a full Scrooby Show & Sculpture write up for your interest and a great T. R & S Allotment article following the harvesting of the vegetables grown for Bassetlaw Food Bank. Well done to all involved and to all the show prize winners.

On the subject of harvest, tickets are now available for the Scrooby Harvest Supper on Monday 7th October. Enjoy a hearty supper and food auction at the Village Hall, more info can be found on page 26.

Keep sending in your news!

Thank you

Luci



# 19th Scrooby Horticultural & Craft

Show 2024.

The 19th Annual Scrooby Horticultural & Craft Show's weather was cloudy and threatening, but ultimately dry, encouraging a great turnout!

Fifty-five people made competition entries, and they collectively brought around two hundred and fifty individual exhibits to the vegetable, flower, culinary, egg, kids, and art and craft sections.

The Vegetable Section prize for most points went to John Reeves, with Jane Lincoln and Neil Kettlewell being pushed back into second and third place. Neil Kettlewell won best exhibit in section with his amazing Basket of Vegetables.

Most points in the Flower Section went to Ann Robbins, with Clare Gittens winning the best exhibit in section with her vase of Garden Flowers.

In the Arts and Crafts section, most points went to Sue Cameron, second to Chris Robinson, and third tie between Jean Rush and Jane Lincoln. Best in class was Jane Lincoln with her exquisite Crochet Item.

The Culinary Section was hotly contested this year, and saw Jane Lincoln winning first place, Joan Sykes in second and Ewan Mayoh



in third. Joan Sykes won best in class with her Lemon Cake.

The Egg Champion was Don Gallucci, with Jane Lincoln and Christine Hull joint second. Well done! Best in Class was Christine Hull with Three Brown Eggs.

The Children's section was won by James Buxton. A close second was Penny Kilner, with Margot Willis and Eil Mayoh equal third.

Best in class went to George Marshall with his Miniature Garden.

The prize giving culminated with the award of the Rose Bowl for most points overall:

Jane Lincoln took the prize with a massive forty-nine points. Great effort Jane!

Many thanks to the judging team: Don & Helen Skelton, Jen Cameron, Luci Gallucci, Sheila Clarke & Jackie Fenning. Thanks to Tracey Taylor for opening the show and Elaine Gargett for entertaining us all with the prize giving. We are grateful to Steve Cordery who judged the dog show, and along with Blair McGowan pulled many pints!

The kids' races were again popular this year, and it was great to see some adults competing in the '12 and over' classes. Thanks to Kelly Harman for organising this. We look forward to seeing Kelly again next year!

The annual Tug of War was a great success as it always is!

There was a great turn out from visitors and the marquee was packed with people browsing the stalls. The raffle prizes were very well received. A big thank you to the people and businesses that contributed the prizes! Thanks to Ed Marshall for bringing the wonderful Pheasantry Brewery beer and lovely wines! By the end of the afternoon all the beer had been drunk!



The show couldn't happen without Elaine Gargett and her team of helpers: in particular James Arrowsmith, but also Jackie Fenning and who was very busy behind the scenes: Steve Lincoln who ran a great raffle; Matt Pollard, assisted by newcomer to the team of helpers, Tom Robbins, who flipped burgers and drank beer: Bill Arrowsmith & Michaela Blount who processed the class entries; Issie, Jane Lincoln and Kate Mayoh with their helpers who ran the cream teas and cake stall. Thanks to Ed Marshall for counting all the money after the event.

The purpose of the show is not to raise money for Scrooby but to make enough money to continue to put on the show again next year and maintain the high standards of a local traditional horticultural and craft show.

Next year will be our 20th show and will be on Saturday 6th September 2025.

Anyone wishing to get involved or make suggestions as to how we can improve our show, please feel free to get in touch with Elaine Gargett or James Arrowsmith.

We welcome all thoughts.

We are already looking forward to next year!



## **SCROOBY SHOW GRAND RAFFLE - PRIZE WINNERS 2024**

Prize order	Prize donated	Donor	Company	Winner
1	6 Tickets for Sheffield Steelers	Phil Haxby	Wilfreda Beehive	Phil Warrener
2	3 x £50 Vouchers	Chris Caesar	Chris Caesar Photography	Steve Lincoln
3	Folding Bicycle	John Hudson		Jack Bowker
4	Platinum VIP Vouchers	Karl	Bawtry Paintball	Izzi Marshall
5	£50 Voucher	Joe Harper	Harper Inns	Dave Hooton
6	£50 B&Q Voucher	George Gargett	Togel Contractors	Lucianna Gallucci
7	Cheese and Wine Hamper	Steve and Jacky Fenning		Bill Arrowsmith
8	Platinum VIP Vouchers	Karl	Bawtry Paintball	Jackie
9	£50 Voucher	Joe Harper	Harper Inns	Kelly
10	Fire Pit	Jim Cameron	The Glow Company	Mrs Malloy
11	Steam Cleaner	Barbara Morgan		Dave Hooton
12	Basket of Wine (4)	Margaret and Maurice Clapham		Unknown
13	Cheese and Wine Basket	Tony & Sue Smith		Holly
14	£20 vouchers	Andy and Claire Longworth	Bawtrys (Pizzaria)	Unknown
15	Bottle of Malt Whisky	Steve and Leigh Cordery		Unknown
16	£20 Voucher	Dan	Blue Bell, Ranskill	Steve Fenning
17	Candle and Bottle of Malt Whisky	Hellen Cawston	Flaming Hell's Candles	Tony Smith
18	£20 vouchers	Andy and Claire Longworth	Bawtrys (Pizzaria)	Jean
19	Voucher and bottle of Wine		Kidz Hub	To be claimed
20	Bottle of Vodka	Jean Rush		Cate Mayoh
21	Jigsaw Puzzle and bottle of Wine	Chris Caesar	Chris Caesar Photography	Ed Marshall
22	Wall plaques and a bottle of Wine	Helen Skelton		c/o Kevin Kennedy
23	Prosecco Gift Box	Charlotte Arrowsmith		Indi
24	Bottle of Whisky	Christine Hull		Elaine Gargett
25	Pair of Prints	Helen Skelton		Jackie Fenning
26	Prosecco Basket	Tony & Sue Smith		Sarah
27	Wine and Chocolates	Hughes and Hooton		Norman Gray
28	Painting	Andy and Penny Cawley		Unknown
29	Wine and Chocolates	Hughes and Hooton		To be claimed
30	Baileys and Jigsaw Puzzle	John and Joyce Balding		Holly
31	Pack of Stella Artois	Stephenie and Peter		Unknown
32	Wine and Chocolates	Hughes and Hooton		George Gargett
33	Ice Cream and a bottle of Wine	Victoria	Thaymars Ice Cream	John Mann
34	Beer Gift pack		Tucks Brewery	Elaine Gargett
35	Beer Gift pack and Fruit Dish		Pheasantry Brewery	Linda Hooton
36	Golf Lesson and Ping Accessories	P Shepherd	Zen Golf Mechanics and Ping	Callie
37	Bottle of Whisky	Sarah Coombes		Florence
38	Houses of Parliament Whisky	Jo White		To be claimed

The following prizes are yet to be claimed

19	Voucher and bottle of Wine	Kidz Hub	GREEN 256	To be claimed
29	Wine and Chocolates	Hughes and Hooton	PINK 546	To be claimed
38	Houses of Parliament Whisky	Jo White	GREEN 311	To be claimed

Please contact Stephen Lincoln on 07341386050 if you have one of these tickets.



Lord John Mann unveils the sculpture



The Sculpture Steering Group - Stephen Lincoln, Ed Marshall, Michael Johnson, James Arrowsmith, Elaine Gargett and Anthony Smith

# The Scrooby Rock - Memorial to William Brewster Unveiled.

The amazing sculpture was unveiled on the 7th September at the Scrooby Show.

A crowd gathered to watch Lord John Mann unveil the sculpture as Jo White MP revealed the Interpretation Board. The ceremony was also attended by Councillor Richard Butler, Chair of Nottingham County Council and Alderman Kay Cutts who in 2019 provided the major funding for the Artwork Project together with our splendid Victorian lampposts.

Lord Mann made an impressive address drawing parallels

between the Mayflower Pilgrims escaping persecution with the fate of migrants today as they flee oppression and war.

Our own Kamilla Dunstan (mezzo soprano) and Spike Arrowsmith (guitar) delivered a rousing rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" to complete proceedings.

The project relied on generous funding from several donors and on essential in-kind contributions. If DGT Associates in Boston had not gifted Scrooby the expert 3D scanning, the Project would have failed. It

could not have been completed without the efforts of the Sculpture Steering Group. This whole endeavour depended on the inspiration, dedication and hard work of Styrrup Sculptor Michael Johnson. His works can be found throughout the UK.

The sculpture will be a major attraction for visitors to Scrooby and we trust a source of pride for the village. It is a magnificent work which emphasises the permanent link between our small village and the USA. It is Scooby's great achievement and signifies *Hands Across the Ocean.* 







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## Christian Perspective—Friendship



I've been thinking about friendship and how important friends are to us. Rooting about on the internet I find: Friends can help you celebrate good times and provide sup-

port during bad times. Friends prevent isolation and loneliness and give you a chance to offer needed companionship. Friends can also increase your sense of belonging and purpose. Friendships enrich your life and improve your health.

That's the good part! Friends can also lead you astrav into bad ways and cause trouble for you. So we need to be wise in our choice of friends. Children seem to make friends easily and quickly and soon start playing together. As we get older maybe it's not so easy.

Often we meet people and make friends with those who enjoy doing the some kind of things we like. One of the things I find most interesting is that the people I meet in church have the same aims I have —that is to praise and worship and serve Jesus. Such people can come from very different backgrounds to us, but the desire to worship and pray together gives us a spiritual connection, which has little to do with what we might enjoy in the world.

We read in the Bible of people of faith who were called friends of God. Abraham was called the friend of God because he continued to believe in God's promises even though they were a long time in coming about. In Exodus we are told that God spoke to Moses as to a friend.

Jesus, talking to his disciples as we read it in John 15:14-15 said, "You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you." Jesus leaves just one command with his disciples, it's in verse 12: "Love one another as I have loved you." The best way to have good friends is to be a good friend to others.

The best thing about the friendship of Jesus is that whatever we experience of loneliness, troubles with friends, the desertion of friends who no longer

appreciate our input in their lives, Jesus is there for those who trust in him. We can always call on his name and come to him in prayer. He is the constant friend who sticks closer than a brother (See Proverbs 18:24)



Some verses of a hymn came to mind recently:

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear. It soothes his sorrows heals his wounds and takes away his fear.

Jesus, my Shepherd, Saviour, Friend My Prophet, Priest and King My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End accept the praise I bring.

Brenda Critchley

## Puzzle for October

Sudoku is a number placement puzzle. The aim of Sudoku is to complete the grid by entering numbers from 1 to 9 in each empty cell of the 9×9 grid which comprises 9 sub-grids each with 9 cells in a 3×3 pattern. Each row, column and subarid must contain only one instance of each number.

There are variants of Sudoku. In this puzzle there are 9 shaded cells, one in each sub-grid. These shaded cells must also contain the numbers 1 to 9. The solution is included elsewhere in the STAR.

> For more free puzzles, go to: www.sudoku-puzzles.net

7	4						2	
		3		7	4	5		6
	6	2		3			7	8
	5	7	4			9	6	
8	1	4				7		
2					5			
		8			2	3		
5			8		3	2		
6	3	9		4		2		5
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Sunday 20th: Blyth – 9.30am CW HC

Sunday 27th: Ranskill – 9.30am CW HC

Key:

CW - Common Worship

HC - Holy Communion

BCP - Book of Common Prayer

Our churches are open, and all are welcome to our services, please wear a mask if you feel safer.

If you would like to arrange a baptism, wedding, funeral or other function at one of our churches please contact one of the churchwardens.

#### **Useful Contacts:**

Church Warden - Ranskill, David Stacey 01777 818303, Scrooby, Gordon Ashworth 01777 818322



## Ranskill and Torworth W.I

Ranskill and Torworth W.I will be meeting on Tuesday 22nd October commencing 2pm.

The Speaker—Catherine Pincott Allan will be talking on "The demise of Richard Thomas Parker".!!

Meetings are held in The Village Hall. Kennel Drive. Barnby Moor.

For further information please ring 01777 818519. Pat Blatchford.

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# Solution to October puzzle

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7	4	5	9	8	6	1	2	3
1	8	3	2	7	4	5	9	6
9	6	2	5	3	1	4	7	8
3	5	7	4	2	8	9	6	1
8	1	4	3	6	9	7	5	2
2	9	6	7	1	5	8	3	4
4	7	8	6	5	2	3	1	9
5	2	1	8	9	3	6	4	7
6	3	9	1	4	7	2	8	5

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# Torworth, Ranskill and Scrooby Allotment Association News.

Earlier this year there was a vacant plot on the allotment site, with no one on the waiting list we decided to grow vegetables for the Bassetlaw Food Bank.

Our offer was gratefully accepted by the food bank; they needed potatoes, onions, and apples. We were delighted to produce over 80 kilograms of potatoes, 15 kilograms of onions and have an offer of eating apples from Heidi Robbins of Scrooby which will be ready in October.

There are now two people on the waiting list and the plot will be handed over shortly.

If you are interested in an allotment, please contact Julie Davison, Secretary, T.R. & S Allotment Association by email: iandp2@icloud.com

Below image: Ellen from Bassetlaw Food Bank, collecting vegetable donation from T.R. & S. Allotment





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## **Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust**

## North Notts Local Group: Conservation Grazing – A Year in the Life

The North Notts Wildlife Trust group has enjoyed some lovely activities through the summer - walks and visits to places of interest and all blessed with good weather! Very fortunate considering what a mix we've had! There are still lots of outdoor activities available, many on the beautiful, Idle Valley Nature Reserve and a lot of them led by very knowledgeable volunteers. All the information is available via regular email updates; you can sign up for them regardless of whether you are a member of the Wildlife Trust or not. (details below).

When you're on the reserve, if you've ever wondered why sometimes there are sheep or cows there and next time you visit they're nowhere to be seen, our October speaker, Mike Hyatt may be able to tell us. He has been a Trust volunteer since 2017 doing the sort of jobs that would frighten most of us into fits: chauffeuring sheep and cows around, being nurse, midwife and all-round animal welfare officer. He says, "Not bad considering my previous experience was with cats. hamsters and the occasional

chinchilla!" The role of these traditional breeds of sheep and cows is to promote biodiversity. Quite how they do this will emerge as Mike takes us through a typical year in the life of these essential, hardy and hard working animals season by season. If you've visited the Idle Valley reserve at lambing time, you're almost certain to have seen Mike looking after the newborns and their mothers in the lambing shed. It's clearly a job that gives him immense satisfaction. This meetings will be held at the Idle Valley Centre starting at 7.15pm, on Thursday 10 October. £3.00 entry includes tea and biscuits. All welcome; no need to hook

If you haven't already, why not sign up for email updates to ensure you get all the information about the North Notts Local Group's talks and activities straight to your inbox? Don't miss any of the excitement! For more information, phone Jan 01777 709974 or 07969180067 or email janwilliamson133@gmail.com if you would like to receive email updates of Local Group activities.

# The Wednesday (Memory) Group Summer Visits

This summer members of the Wednesday Group have enjoyed several extra outings in addition to their regular Wednesday meetings. The visit to the Kilton Feel Good Memory Group was a highlight: afternoon tea in a lovely environment with entertainment, dancing and good company will long be remembered. Retford library also provided some excellent sessions of Songs and Scones: fantastic musicians and really lovely cream teas. There was also the Dukeries Ukeries ukulele group at the library with yet more scones; another joyous event. Some of our members went to the poetry café where they listened to poems and read some themselves. The next one is on 30 September. You can book your place at the library. We'll be there too!

Just because the summer visits are almost over, doesn't mean the music will stop. We are regularly

entertained by the Retford Ukulele Group, Littleborough Skifflers, Jessica Brett, Dave and Sandra and Frank Bulman. All these musicians are very popular with the group and, dare I say it, the group seems to be very popular with them. They all say how much they enjoy performing for us so we anticipate some long and happy collaborations!

If you care for someone with dementia or you have a diagnosis yourself, or if you want to know more and you think the Wednesday Group might be helpful, do get in touch. Contact Jan on 01777 709974 or 07969180067 or email janwilliamson133@gmail.com for the latest on what we are doing and current availability. Unfortunately, we have a waiting list at present but we are looking into ways of accommodating more people. It's £10 per session which includes lunch, and, your first visit is free!





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## HALLOWEEN QUIZ

- 1. Which 1973 hit song featured the lyrics "it was a graveyard smash"?
- 2. Where were the most notorious witch trials held?
- 3. Which animated film features a vampire voiced by Adam Sandler?
- 4 Which school celebrates Halloween with a feast in the Great Hall?
- 5. What is the name of a ghost that can move things around your house?
- 6. A Hallow is a saint or holy person True or False?
- 7. Which children's author wrote The Witches?
- 8. Which horror film features Pennywise?
- 9. Who is the lead actress in the "Halloween" film franchise?
- 10. Which ghost ship is said to foretell imminent doom or disaster if seen at sea?
- 11. In which film is Jason Voorhees the lead character?
- 12. What was Dr Frankenstein's first name?
- 13. Which animated character is also known as "Pumpkin King"?
- 14. Who wrote Pet Sematary and The Shining?
- 15. Which US sitcom depicted the home life of a family of monsters?
- 16. If you were born on Halloween which star sign would you be?
- 17. What type of shop is featured in the Little Shop of Horrors?
- 18. Do pumpkins grow on bushes, stalks or vines?
- 19. In which US state is it illegal to dress as a nun or priest on Halloween?
- 20. In Monsters Inc what is the name of the little girl who isn't afraid?
- 21. Halloween is celebrated the night before which day?
- 22. Which animal is considered to bring bad luck on Halloween?



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As my father took over the village PO in 1950 I often used to get the job of delivering

telegrams and it could be very interesting at times. The worst time was when it was an unexpected death message. I used to start by saying I have some bad news for you, would you like to go inside and sit down. You had to wait until they had read it in case they wanted to send a reply, thankfully not many did.

If it was a special occasion like a birthday or a wedding you could pay extra and have it delivered on a larger fancy form and envelope.

In 1967 my father retired and I took on the PO. At this time the village mail was brought from Retford to us at 6.40am and was then sorted and delivered.

As the village grew in the late sixties and early seventies delivering took longer. One day, Colonel Brown who lived on Blyth Road discovered that all the members of his Lindrick Golf Club got their mail earlier than he did. He complained and my delivery staff was doubled to two.

In 1992 a new delivery office was built in Retford and all rural deliveries were made from there.

I think the rest of my recollections of the village should be done road by road, always starting from the crossroads.

To be continued... P. F. Parkin



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### BROCCOLI-SPAGHETTI BAKE - Serves 4

1 onion, chopped1oz butter1 pint skimmed milk10oz broccoli, cut into florets1oz plain flourGround nutmeg4oz grated cheese10oz broken up spaghetti

1 tablsp oil 400g chopped tomatoes

Fry onion in the oil till soft then add tomatoes and nutmeg – cook till thickened Make white sauce with flour, milk and butter then stir in most of the cheese

Cook spaghetti in salted water, adding broccoli to pan for last 4 minutes – drain and mix with the cheese sauce

Spoon half into a 3 pint dish and cover with tomato sauce then top with remaining spaghetti mix

Sprinkle with remaining cheese and grill for a few minutes till hot and golden

Joy T

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## OUR HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our church is quite busy this morning
With the next Harvest Festival due.
With flowers and veg
On each suitable ledge
And the mice hiding under the pew.

There's a wonderful view from our belfry, Looking out over meadow and farm, Where the sheep safely graze Through the long summer days And the bats hang around free from harm.

On his perch in the arch of our Tower, The old owl hoots his song to the moon While the clock whirrs and bumps And judders and thumps And ticks off the time to the tune.

There's a thunder of noise in our belfry When the bells start to ring right on cue.

The bats and the owl Hang on, cheek by jowl And wonder too-wit not too doo!

The people are filling the church now, Our organist pounds out the chords.

Mice under the seat
Are but inches from feet
And but yards from the choicest of hoardes.

We all work together — us people,
The bats and the owl and the mice.
The people sing
And the churchbells ring

And we all praise the Lord — which is nice.

Joy T

Saint Barnabas Church Ranskill

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#### HALLOWEEN QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Monster Mash 2. Salem 3. Hotel Transylvania 4. Hogwarts 5. Poltergeist 6. True 7. Roald Dahl 8. IT 9. Jamie Lee Curtis 10. The Flying Dutchman 11. Friday the 13th 12. Victor 13. Jack Skellington 14. Stephen King 15. The Munsters 16. Scorpio 17. Florist 18. Vines 19. Alabama 20. Boo 21. All Saints Day 22. Black Cats



### QUOTE for the MONTH

"A woman is like a teabag only in hot water do you realise how strong she is"

NANCY REAGAN



Colour in the pumpkins!



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Dates are:

October 1st October 15th October 29th

November 5th November 19th December 3rd December 17th

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## MINUTES OF THE TORWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BARNBY MOOR VILLAGE HALL

# Tuesday May 16th, 2024 proceeding the Annual Parish Council Meeting



#### **PRESENT**

Chair: Councillor C. Willis (CW) Vice-Chair: None present

Councillors: R. Willis (RW), D Lacey (DL)

County Councillor: T Taylor
District Councillor: D Bamford
Clerk: C. Challener (CC)
Members of the public: 0

### 01/0524

OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

#### 02/0524

#### WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The chair opens the meeting welcoming everyone. J Helliwell sends apologies.

## 03/0524

#### DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

## 04/0524

#### **CRIME REPORT**

1x Crimes reported for the Month of March on Low Road/ Daneshill Road of violence or sexual assault.

#### 05/0524

## COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

District Topics reported:

**Boundary Review** 

Local Plan adoption

#### County reported topics reported:

West Burton STEP project

FCC & HIVE planning updates

Holds Lane junction Road markings

Please contact your District or County councillor direct for further information on the issues reported or to raise issues direct with them.

#### 06/0524

### MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as accurate and as a true record of proceedings.

### 07/0524

### COUNCILLOR RAISED ITEMS, MATTERS ARISING DURING THE MONTH & ONGOING MATTERS

It is resolved to donate £350 towards the running costs of the STAR newsletter.

£1000 is earmarked to move the Beacon prior to the D Day event. Cllr C Willis to progress the work as necessary.

#### **08/0524 FINANCE**

The Bank Reconciliation is passed for review.

## Payments presented and approved for the period:

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£(90.00)
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£(41.28)
£(17.98)

#### Receipts

None

#### 9/0524 AMENITIES AND FACILITIES

The suggested locations for the bench have been refused by Notts County Council on grounds of highway visibility splay.

The works to the playing field are discussed and agreed for the month.

Following a number of complaints from residents the muddy conditions of Hedland/ Great North Road are reported to the County Councillor for investigation.

#### 10/0524 PLANNING ISSUES DECLARED BEFORE OR AT THE MEETING

Planning Applications on consultation:

None

**Determinations from previous Applications:** 

None

#### 13/0524 INFORMATION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE NEXT MEETING & ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Biodiversity Policy for adoption.

## MINUTES of the RANSKILL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at the BOWLS CLUB, STATION ROAD WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY 2024 at 7:30pm

PRESENT:

Chair: D. Simpson

Councillors: J. Peel, M. Pryce, L. Shaw, A. Garner

D. Cllr: Absent

C. Cllr: T. Taylor (part)
Clerk: B. Kinsey

Members of the public: There was one member of the public attending.

01/0624: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs A. Bing, P. Brown, D. Cllr D. Bamford

02/0624: DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS: None

### 03/0624: TO ADJOURN TO ALLOW PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One resident wished to speak regarding anti-social behaviour to the rear of their house and has reported this behaviour to the police with little discernible action and the BDC ASB unit, who recommends keeping a diary of events. The issue was reported to our PC James Pickersgill by our C. Cllr.

### 04/0624: MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 12TH JUNE

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th June 2024 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

#### 05/0624: COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS

a. District Councillor

No report.

b. County Councillor

The activity at County level is subdued due to the election, the next full council meetings are scheduled for the 18th of July and the 26th of September. An update was provided on the Hive Energy PFA application where the next planning committee meeting is on 17th of September where this application will be considered. The issue of flooding at the bottom of Station Road is now scheduled for works next week. It was noted that the PC is carrying out a petition regarding the poor condition of Blyth Road.

#### 06/0624: CRIME AND POLICING

The crime figures for April were reported as zero, we await a system update.

#### 07/0624: HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC

a. Update on the Community Speedwatch group formation

A date is being arranged with our local officer, PC Dale, to inspect our equipment. It has been promised that a selection of speeding vehicles will be sent a follow up letter.

b. Blyth Road Petition

The petition is now live online and hard copies in the Blue Bell, the Fish and Chip Shop and the Top Shop. We estimate the current signature levels are 150+. It is planned to close the petition around the middle of August.

### 08/0624: FINANCE

a. To approve the bank reconciliation and accounts as at 30th June 2024 Summary accounts and bank reconciliation were approved. Carried.

#### 09/0624: PLANNING

a. To consider new planning applications received as at 17th July

One new application 24/00764/FUL, updated application from Lakeland House Farm for 50 touring caravan pitches and associated new buildings. Councillors wish to continue to object to this application, mainly for the reason of increased traffic volumes through the crossroads and Mattersey Road and the Clerk was instructed to lodge the PC's comments.

**b.** Updates on existing planning applications and other planning issues. None.

#### 10/0624: AMENITIES AND FACILITIES

a. Consider the playground monthly safety report

The July BDC report found no issues. The annual inspection report has just been received from the Play Inspection Company. It was noted that all items were rated low or very low risk, some maintenance issues were highlighted. Councillors decided to wait for the next meeting before further plans are made to await the outcome of our grant application.

b. To receive an update on our FCC grant application

A response is expected by the end of September from FCC Communities Foundation.

It was resolved to appoint North Notts Landscapes to cut the hedge in the playground. Carried.

#### 11/0624: CO-OPTION OF ADDITIONAL COUNCILLORS

No new volunteers have come forward despite extensive advertising.

#### 12/0624: CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

None

#### 13/0624: INFORMATION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE NEXT MEETING

NALC Financial Regulations.

#### 14/0624: DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

11th September 2024

Signed as a true record: -



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