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Parish Plans: Open Evening

The Parish Council are looking for volunteers from the village to assist them in drawing up a 5-year parish plan. The purpose of the plan is to illustrate the needs and wants of our community. The views of all ages are to be reflected in the findings. The Parish Council are intending to form a subcommittee made up from a few members of the Council together with volunteers from our community. It is recognised that the Plan would give the village a better chance of obtaining funds, which would be of benefit to the village.

It is therefore intended to hold an open evening on the 16th October at 7.30 pm in the village hall at which all members of the village are welcome and where more background information about the plan will be explained. It is hoped that volunteers will also be found at that meeting to join the subcommittee.

Flooding

We were very lucky in the village in the recent flooding with no major problems unlike some of our neighbouring areas. Local farmers digging a trench to allow the water to disperse onto the fields so that no homes were flooded, alleviated the flooding in Humber Lane, which reached about 45cms deep between The paddocks and Elder Lodge. Unfortunately our farming families have not been so lucky and some have suffered significant damages to their crops. Skeffling village had at least 11 homes flooded, 7 of which lost everything on the ground floor. Yorkshire Water, the Environment Agency and the Emergency Services were contacted but with the scale of flooding across the region and the road closures no help was forthcoming. It was left to villagers to cope on their own and, led by the parish councillors, to do what they could to help those affected and to prevent the situation from becoming even more devastating. Our own parish councillor Mick Wilkin was on hand with his digger to help to reduce the rising floodwaters in the soak dyke. Had this not been done flooding in the village and surrounding fields would have been much worse. If this level of flooding had happened in Welwick we would have been in much the same situation which highlights the importance of having an emergency plan which can be put into operation should the need arise.

A copy of Welwick's Community Emergency Plan is held by East Riding Council with a copy at the Village Hall. The parish council secretary, Sarah Clapperson also has a copy. Should anyone wish to discuss the matter at any time any one of the Parish Councillors will be able to help in this respect.

Fun Day

The morning of June 9th saw everyone pitching in to get things ready in time and Charlie's field was a hive of activity from around 8 a.m. We were very lucky with the weather, which was good until late afternoon, despite the forecast. Seaside Radio kept us informed and entertained whilst the various activities were going on. All of the children and young people (and many adults) seemed to enjoy themselves, which is what it was all about. The football match resulted in a win for the adults, still there's always next year! The closing date for the balloon race was 31st July. We didn't have as many tickets back as we expected but this may be due to the terrible weather and flooding we have had. The balloon that went the furthest was found in Selby. Winners have now been notified and the holder of the winning ticket was a teenager from the village, second prize was won by someone from Keyingham. Although final accounts are not in yet we hope to have raised about £400, which will be used to provide other activities for children in the village including the children's Christmas Party and possibly a Christmas Disco for older children. Altogether then a successful day, great community spirit and a profit! A big thank you to everyone who made it possible.

Quiz Night

The quiz night held on 30th June saw a smaller turnout than usual due to clashing with other events. Those who did go seemed to enjoy themselves and nearly £400 was raised for the village hall funds.

Charity Bike Ride

This year's bike ride raised £4200 and the proceeds were equally divided between the Daisy Appeal and the East end Cancer Relief fund at a presentation in the Coach & Horses Welwick.

Disco and Barbecue

About 40 parents and children enjoyed the summer disco and barbecue on Saturday 28th July. Thanks to Jim for the disco, which he provided free. Thanks also go to Darren, Clive, and Jock for their work on the barbecue and to Graham, Ronnie and Cassie for their help in getting everything ready. The night was not about making money but about showing appreciation for all the contributions, which made fun day a success. Charges were kept as low as possible and we managed to just about break even, including paying the hire charge for the village hall.

Children and Young Peoples Workshops

A funding bid has been made to the Local Network Fund for the money to employ Creative Projects to run a series of workshops broadly related to theatre and performance. If the bid is successful the workshops would be for children and young people of all ages and would start in October, leading to events for Bonfire Night and Christmas. Individual workshops would include costume design and making, puppet design and building, drumming, drama, sound and light engineering, poster production and DJ'ing. We should know in the next 6 weeks whether or not our bid has been successful.

Forthcoming Events

Heritage Weekend

Bernard and Mary Blashill will be hosting the Heritage Weekend on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th October this year. This follows the Harvest Festival in St Mary's church on Friday the 11th October.

Harvest/Christmas Auction

This year's event will be held on 9th November at the village hall.

Race Night

Following the success of last years race night another one has been planned for 1st December, more information on this nearer the date.

Coach and Horses

Following the receipt of planning permission Darren, the new landlord, has the builders in. Work has started on the conservatory and kitchen extension. The conversion work to turn some of the living accommodation into a shop next door to the pub is planned to start shortly. Many people were sad to see the last shop close so hopefully the new shop will be a success for Darren, his family, and the village.

Parish Council News

Council Representatives.

B. Blashill,	M Brankley,
C Johnson,	G Kitching,
L Malkin,	G Matthews
J Moxon	C Thornton,
M Wilkin.	

A date for the Streetscene visit has not yet been finalised but is believed to be some time in September. Mick Wilkin attended a meeting in Hedon following the floods. The police had spoken highly of the effective use of Neighbourhood watch.

Mark Brankley had attended a Withernsea and South Holderness Regeneration Meeting at Skeffling Village Hall. Discussions had centred around Parish Plans (See separate news story)
Next meeting of the Parish Council open to all residents is on the 9th October in the Village Hall at 7.30p.m.

Regular Village Events

St Mary's Church

Service every Sunday 9.45 am
Family Service every 3rd Sunday
Church Wardens:
Dorothy Thorne:
Jean Wilkin:

Village Hall

Keep Fit (Step): Every Monday 7 – 8 pm
Indoor Bowls: Every Wednesday 2 - 4 pm and 7.30 – 9.30 pm
Whist Drive: Every 3rd Saturday 7.30 pm
Quiz Night Saturday 30th June at 8 pm.
Anyone wishing to book the hall for an event can contact Trish Kitching

Others

Mobile Library:
Every Other Wednesday 10.20 – 10.40 Corner of North Lane and Main Street (Next visit 29th August)

Any interesting news items, stories, photos old or new which you would like to share with others in the village or want to advertise a coming event then contact one of the following:
Pam, Mick or Glen