



the Gander

GOXHILL VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Autumn 2018

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Village Tales
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& Much More



**From a Pop up Pub, to
Strawberry Teas, Open Gardens
and the Short Award Winner...**

**...events that make Goxhill such
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HOLD THE FRONT PAGE!

So many fantastic events have happened in Goxhill just before going to press, that I have to devote this page to these events that show what a fantastic village Goxhill is to live in. And we want to keep it that way!



STRAWBERRY TEAS Stuart & Diana Cooke held this highly popular event for the 10th year running and if previous years are to go by, they will have raised a huge amount of money for LIVES. The actual amount will be published in the next issue of the Gander. They are seen here being presented with a certificate of thanks from Damian Connolly, LIVES branch co-ordinator. This wonderful event is run by an army of willing volunteers, who provide delicious strawberry teas and cakes, served in the convivial surroundings of their garden.

POP UP PUB What a resounding success on the first of the 3 weekends in August. Organised by Sam England and staffed by volunteers who are predominantly friends and neighbours, they were literally over run by so many villagers. The fact that they ran out of beer, is not meant as a criticism, but a demonstration of the unprecedented numbers who enjoyed the pub activities. They sold over 550 pints of lager on the first Saturday alone.

It was a fantastic first weekend and they thank everyone who attended for their support. All profits are going directly back to the Memorial Hall and they're hoping to make it a regular event. If this is not a clear demonstration that Goxhill needs a good pub, I do not know what is?

THE BROCK On the subject of pubs, Goxhill Community Pub Limited is a registered Community Benefit Society, with a committee and share holders, ready to take action should an opportunity arise to bring a pub to the village.



THE SHORT AWARD The winner is Well there it gets a bit embarrassing. The Gander Team have just opened the ballot boxes and counted up and it seems that I am the winner this year! To quote one nomination form 'for his work for the community as Editor of the Gander, a member of the committee that tried to save the Pub and for his work at the school'. I am very grateful for all of you who voted for me. It is very touching that my help with a number of village organisations and causes is recognised. But the most important thing is that this should encourage more people to get stuck in too. There were 7 other people nominated for the award, Maurice Broughton, Ann Lawtey, Alyson O'Leary, Lorraine Gibbins, Mick Parker, Janet Shephardson and Betty Plumtree. They are all worthy of winning the recognition of this award. So look out for the 2019 Short Award in the Spring edition of the

Gander and consider who you think does something special for the benefit of the village and deserves our thanks.

Throughout this issue there are stories of people and organisations doing fantastic things in the village, organising events and activities, to entertain, raise funds for charities and worthy causes, work to try to protect our village from inappropriate development, etc. So a huge thank you to all those who are involved in all these activities!

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LETTER FROM THE CHURCH

When my grandson was two, with a fast-growing vocabulary. I remember an incident when I gave him a drink he said, 'Thank you, Granny'. Later that day I was in the company of a gentlemen of much greater years, who picked up his phone and said, 'It's Mr..... I want a table for three at 6pm'. Then put the phone down. Without so much as a please or thank you. What a contrast!

Thoughts of my childhood crossed my mind, hearing my mother say, mind you Ps and Qs, manners maketh a man, and please and thank you cost you nothing. How true.

We are in the period of harvest, where the crops are being or have been gathered in. Traditionally it is a period when churches and some schools, hold their Harvest Festivals. A time when, we come together to say thank you for the Harvest. But, I wonder how much of the Harvest and all that we have we take for granted. When we eat a piece of fruit or sit down for a meal do we give any thought to the work that went into getting that food, onto our plate. The ploughing, sowing, watering, harvesting, packing and transporting.

Often when people are in need they call out to God for help, but how often do we remember to say thank you to him.

In the bible in Luke's gospel, we are told of ten Lepers who Jesus healed, but only one of the ten said thank you to him. Which of the Lepers are we like?

Whether it is God or others who have done things for us, may we always remember to say thank you.

It costs us nothing but means a lot to those we are thanking.

Sandra Smith

Autumn Services (at All Saints Church unless otherwise stated)

Sunday	16th	September	3.00pm	Harvest Festival - Goxhill Methodist Church
Friday	5th	October	7.30pm	Harvest Evensong with Supper - All Saints Church
Thursday	8th	November	7.30pm	Bereavement Service All Saints Church (Please note change of date from the usual November 2nd)
Sunday	11th	November	10.45am	Remembrance Day Service at Memorial Hall.
Sunday	11th	November	2.00pm	Remembrance Service at the Airfield Tribute, all are welcome.

LETTER FROM THE CHAPEL

"Fightings without and Fears within."

We have just been to the Methodist Conference with 360 others from the UK and all round the world and, my word, what a gathering it was in a Sports Hall in Nottingham!

The Methodist Church and all its many agencies (schools, colleges, homes, chaplaincies, Action for Children, All we Can, Methodist Homes, etc etc), meets annually to "confer"

It has met every year for over 270 years when John Wesley decided that he and his brother Charles must "converse" with all their helpers on "the work of God". Charles, who is reckoned to have written over 7,000 hymns in his life, was asked to write a suitable hymn to start off the event, which has been sung ever since with immense vigour. The opening line is "And are we yet alive?"

It is a sombre though exultant hymn, making it startlingly clear that the community may well have had a pretty rough and possibly dangerous time since they last met - hence "fightings without and fears within" - but nonetheless God has been blessing us mightily: "but out of all the Lord has brought us by his love".

That is a splendid way for Christians to greet each other after what may have been for some a rather upsetting and tumultuous year. We may well go through hell, but when we look back God has got us through. So Christians are not meant to be a miserable lot, even if hard pressed. We are a fundamentally a hopeful lot, a joyful people!

Back in the 1970's a Methodist Minister was asked to visit the annual conference for the little Methodist Church in Poland. It was a small body of 4,000 members and 30 ministers, yet it ran a big orphanage, some special homes, a remarkable college in Warsaw, a vital printing press, and had enormous influence, out of all proportion to its numbers. At the time the Communist government was inefficient, cruel, ruthless and oppressive. Christians had a rough time and there was widespread poverty. But the Conference opened with everyone singing a Polish translation of that same hymn with immense energy whilst weeping copiously. It was deeply moving.

On enquiring afterwards about that hymn and the effect it had, the minister was told how, during the Second World War when Poland was occupied, their few ministers had either been forced to serve in the German army or been sent to work in armament factories. At the start of the war there were 18 active ministers. When the war was over and Conference met again there were 7 still alive. They began the conference with the traditional hymn but could only just sing it through their tears. Ever since then the hymn has had a similar effect upon them. Fightings without and Fears within.

So take heart when one thinks of that hymn. It expresses with immense power the deepest Christian convictions and experience: 'out of all, the Lord has brought us with his love'. Use it as a prayer, especially if you have gone through hard times. And then end up, as does the hymn: glory and praise to God. Alleluia! **Revd Nichola Jones**

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH

As most of you will know, John Girtchen our Vicar isn't working at the moment, please hold him and our congregations in your prayers at this difficult time.

Services are however, continuing as normal during this time and we are very grateful for the excellent support we have received from Rev Liz Brown from St Marys Church in Barton and when other commitments prevent her from being here, various other Ministers and our Lay Reader Anne Lyles, fill the gap. Here in Goxhill we are also very fortunate to be able to draw on the experience of Sandra Smith who is an Authorized Lay Minister who will take services of Morning Praise whenever the need arises, she is also a licenced Funeral Minister, many of you will have attended a funeral that she has led and are grateful for the sensitive and very personal way she has conducted the service.

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GOXHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



The W.I. meet every 2nd Monday of the month throughout the year except for August, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Hall.

New members and visitors, including gentlemen, are welcome at any of the meetings. For further information please Contact Mrs. Alyson O'Leary, President, on 01469 531568.

Our future programme includes:

10th September - Harvest Supper & Sale

8th October - Hedgehog Care with Lauri Fox

12th November - Craft Workshop

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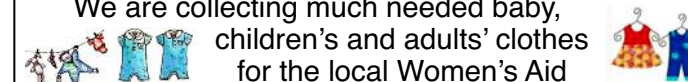
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The Methodist Chapel School Room
on Friday 12th October, 2pm - 4.30pm

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CHURCHES TOGETHER EVENTS

Quiz night

Friday 21st September, 7.30 Chapel School Room. Come and join us for an evening of fun while stretching those little grey cells. £5 including supper. To book contact Jane 530962 or Sandra 530065

Coffee Afternoon to choose photos for the Calendar

Saturday 6th October 2 - 4pm All Saints

Coffee morning for the Poppy Appeal

Saturday November 10th, 10 - 12 at Penny Carnell's Conifer Cottage North End Goxhill

Christmas Tree festival

Saturday & Sunday December 1st - 2nd, 10 - 2pm at All Saints Church: Christmas Tree festival with stalls and refreshments. If you would like to place a small tree in the church in memory of someone or to advertise your business please contact Sandra 530065. There will be Memory Tree that you can place messages on in memory of a loved one.

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171	Heather Jaques	£30.00
181	Amelia Cook	£20.00
69	Mike Gathercole	£15.00
150	Elsie Van den Bos	£10.00

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GOXHILL CALENDAR 2019

Afternoon Tea with the Calendar Girls.

No! Not them... Friends of All Saints Church!

Saturday, 6th October 2pm – 4pm

at All Saints Church.

Join us for Afternoon Tea and a chance to view the entries for the 2019 calendar and vote for your favourite to grace the front cover.

Everyone welcome

All Calendar proceeds will go to All Saints Church and Goxhill Methodist Chapel.

There are only a few weeks left for entries for the 2019 Calendar.

Photographs of events, hobbies, family pets etc can be forwarded to scrimmager@live.com or Conifer Cottage, North End Goxhill. (opp The Close)

CHAPEL WINDOWS DEDICATION

Come to see the new etched Windows, all in memory of someone dear, dedicated at a special celebration at
Goxhill Methodist Chapel
Sunday September 2nd, at 3pm
Service Followed by tea in the Chapel school room.

SUMMER FUND RAISING

Katrina and Sarah Raby organised a birthday party for their father John and raised £360 for the **AIR AMBULANCE**.

Sally and Merv Lewis had an after Clay Shoot party and raised £762 for **AARON'S BATTLE**.

WELL DONE to all involved!

It just goes to show that if you are having a party, you can raise money for worthy causes with little extra effort, but producing a huge benefit for charity.

STRAWBERRY TEAS

Stuart and Diana Cooke and friends would like to thank everyone who supported our Strawberry Tea in aid of L.I.V.E.S. in any way. We had a very enjoyable afternoon once again.



DIARY OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
30-Aug		Murder Mystery Evening	Wilderspin
01-Sep		Murder Mystery Evening	Black Bull
02-Sep	3pm	Chapel Windows Dedication	Chapel
6-16 Sept		Barton Heritage Open Days	Barton
10-Sep	7.00pm	WI	Mem/Hall
15-Sep	10-12noon	Pop In	Chapel S/R
21-Sep	7.30pm	Quiz Night	Chapel S/R
22-Sep	12.30-4pm	RAF100/Autumn Fair	School
22-Sep	8pm	Joey Howard Comedy show	Mem/Hall
24-Sep	7.30pm	Beekeepers	Broughton
27-Sep	7.30pm	GRAG's Public Meeting	School
28-Sep	10-1pm	Big Coffee Morning	Mem/Hall
28-Sep	7.30pm	The Beat'ulls	Barrow
06-Oct	2-4pm	Choose Calendar photos	All Saints
08-Oct	7.00pm	WI	Mem/Hall
08-Oct	5-8pm	Baysgarth Open Evening	Baysgarth
12-Oct	2-4.30pm	WI Collecting Used Clothes	Chapel S/R
19-Oct	7.15pm	Wayfarers Folk Group	Chapel S/R
20-Oct	10-12noon	Pop In	Chapel S/R
29-Oct	7.30pm	Beekeepers	Broughton
01-Nov		Copy Deadline for Winter Gander	
10-Nov	10-12noon	Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning	Connifer Cottage
11-Nov	10.45am	Airfield Remembrance	Mem/Hall
11-Nov	2pm	Airfield Remembrance	Propeller
11-Nov	7.30pm	Picture of Dorian Gray	Mem/Hall
12-Nov	7.00pm	WI	Mem/Hall
17-Nov	10-12noon	Pop In	Chapel S/R
18-Nov	10-3pm	Christmas Fair	Mem/Hall
26-Nov	7.30pm	Beekeepers	Broughton
30-Nov	7.30pm	Elvis Christmas Show	Barrow
1-2 Dec	10-2pm	Christmas Tree Festival	All Saints
6-8 Dec		Snow White & 6 2 Dwarves	Wilderspin
09-Dec	9am	Beverley Christmas Market	

REGULAR EVENTS

Chapel School Room

Luncheon Club	12 noon	2nd Wed of the month
Knit & Natter	2-4pm	Thursdays
Singing Group	7pm	Wednesdays

Memorial Hall

Parent & Toddlers	9.15-11.45am	Mondays
T'ai Chi	2-3pm	Mondays
Pilates	10-11am	Tuesday & Thursday
Short Mat Bowls	7-9pm	Monday
	7-9pm	Wednesday
	10-12 noon	Friday
Tennis	10-12 noon	Saturday
	Sunday by arrangement	

WI	7pm	2nd Mon of the month
Library	3.30-7pm	Monday
	2-5pm	Wednesday
	3-6pm	Friday

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MEMORIAL HALL NEWS

With any luck when you read this, temperatures will have dropped from burning-to-a-crisp to cosy-in-a-cardi, and you'll see us out there making use of the new tennis court. The Committee needs to thank the North Lincs Council for the Community Grant which enabled us to get Pavescape Ltd (Knaresborough) to carry out this work, which they did to a very high standard. So far, sixteen families have indicated they would like a key (£25/year) that allows them to play whenever the court is free. Other users can still book the court for an hour at a time (£3-50/hour) with **Sam England (531097)**.

To raise funds for various improvements, we held a Pop-up Pub on 3 weekends (Aug 10-12th, 17th-19th and 24th -27th) and Scarecrow Trail (Aug 26th and 27th). We hope everyone enjoyed these events, and appreciated the amount of work the volunteers put into their organisation.

The Christmas Fair on Sunday Nov 18th is almost fully booked, (18 stalls). Please phone **530635** for a last minute spot. Besides the stalls, the hall will be filled with Christmas decorations, music, refreshments, children's activities, costumes; creating a lively selection of Christmas fun.

A couple of weeks later, on the **9th December**, we will be running a bus to the **Christmas Market in Beverley**. Seats are selling fast so book early with **Iris Thompson** or **Penny Nadin** if you want to join us.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES AT THE MEMORIAL HALL

If you are interested in any please contact -

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email: goxhillmemorialhall@gmail.com

BEVERLEY CHRISTMAS MARKET

Sunday 9th December, 2018

A coach has been booked for the above trip, one day only leaving Goxhill at 9 a.m. – departing from Beverley at 3.30 p.m.

Come and enjoy the delights of this Christmas Market.

Please book promptly to avoid disappointment.

The cost is £10.00 per person.

We can pick up in Barrow and Barton if requested.

A raffle will also be held on the coach and any donations for prizes will be gratefully received.

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NOTICE BOARD - Arts & Entertainment

As mentioned in the previous Gander, the Arts
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Council has not received a budget to continue

the FilmLincs scheme for 2018/19. That's a very great shame as we know that many people enjoyed the films shown during the
18 months that we ran FilmLincs. As the full cost of putting on films without that support would not enable Goxhill Memorial Hall
to break even, it will have to go on hold unless we can obtain some other form of subsidy or support.

Fortunately the LiveLincs Rural Touring Scheme remains alive and kicking, although a succession of poor attendances at
Goxhill Memorial Hall mean that we have only been given one show this time. But it looks like a good one so please come
along to see it for an inexpensive and fun night out, right on your doorstep.

The Picture of Dorian Gray by Box Tale Soup

7.30pm Sunday 11th November at Goxhill Memorial Hall

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12 years of age. All profits go towards running the Memorial Hall.

For updates, web-links and details of shows and events in and local to our village, (or to
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The theme for 2018 is "Picturing the Past", where venues
will open their doors to showcase their connection to
Barton upon Humber's fascinating history.

Heritage Open Days is an opportunity to discover some of
the "secret places" connecting Barton upon Humber to its
fascinating past.

There is the opportunity to explore St Peter's church, that
dates back to Saxon times, and its neighbour, the
medieval timber-framed Tyrwhitt Hall. St Peter's is open
both Sundays from 10am until 3pm while the Hall is open
both Sunday afternoons from 1.30pm to 4pm.

Volunteers will be on hand at each venue and around the
town to signpost visitors to the different venues and
encourage you to explore the hidden history of Barton
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NOTICE BOARD - Arts & Entertainment 2



Who likes working out 'whodunnit'? If that's you why not join the South Bank Players for a **Murder Mystery evening!** We have two dates coming up for our 1920's themed murder mystery. **Friday 30th August** at the Wilderspin School Museum in Barton, and **Saturday 1st September** at the Black Bull in East Halton. Ticket prices are being worked out as I write this, but both evenings will include a meal, so do call for more details if you're interested. Feel free to come in 1920's costume - it all adds to the atmosphere. For further information or to book, contact **Jeanine Guy on 07879 777267**

Our next production after that will be our annual pantomime, which will be performed at the Joseph Wright Hall in Barton on **6th-8th December** (three evening shows and a matinee). Our panto this year is **'Snow White and the Six and a Half Dwarves'** oh yes it is! Tickets will be available in the Autumn, from the Wilderspin School Museum or via our website www.sbpayers.co.uk.

Also don't forget that our ever popular **Ghost Walk** will re-start on **Halloween**, 7.30pm from Baysgarth House Museum. Tickets cost £5/3 and can be book in advance on **01469 531003**. Booking is recommended for Halloween and dressing up is encouraged!

Our newly re-formed junior group is going from strength to strength and if you know of any youngsters who would like to get involved please contact Jeanine on the number above. The group will be having a summer break but will be back to work on the pantomime in September on Sunday evenings 6-7.30pm. New adult members are always welcome too - and you don't need to be an actor to join us as there are lots of jobs backstage and front of house that we need help with too. We meet on Sunday evenings at the Joseph Wright Hall 7.30 - 9pm.

To find out more you can contact **Jeanine on 07879 777267** or email **Liz on liz@drury.org.uk** or **Dennis on 01469 531003**

POTTY PANTO The Vicar of Dibley, performed to sell out audiences over two evenings mid July, was **PLAYERS** very well received. The cast were delighted with the audience reaction and to all the fabulous compliments and feed back.

Being involved with amateur Dramatics is always hard work as well as enjoyable, and there is nothing worse when the curtains open to see a half empty auditorium. We are very lucky that we have a loyal fan base of family and friends as well as many of the villagers and it is especially gratifying to see a lot of new faces attending our performances in recent times. I would like to take this opportunity to Thank everyone who attended for their support and also their help in raising £323 via the raffle for the Lindsey Lodge Hospice, which many of you know is the Charity we have supported for many years. The remaining revenue has been deposited in our funds with the hope we can at last buy some storage for our costumes and equipment.

We are hoping to once again perform a pantomime. The next one will be "Robin Hood" written and directed by myself. Look out for details in the forthcoming months.

Once again thank you for your continued support! **Lynne Brocklesby**

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Now that I have to use these facilities at all times the difference is amazing. The worst ones, which I call 'disabled toilets', are the ones, which allow me in but wants my chair left outside when I have to have a carer plus my chair or a walking frame with me. Then there are the ones which allow entrance but you have to be a contortionist to use the facility due to lack of space. I could go on but I must mention the 'toilets for the disabled' that I find are usually good. Usually located in the better supermarkets: they are large enough to get in with a helper plus your equipment and the chair and the door can be closed. I suggest you consider the type of facility you are offered and decide whether you have a 'disabled toilet' or a 'toilet for the Disabled'.

Ramona Percy

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GOXHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL REPORT

After spending time thinking about the variation of our weather this year, it almost seems ironic to be reflecting on the marvellous weather we have been having over the past few months. It's been stifling hot in school and at times when tempers were fraying and little people were coming in from the playground with red, sweaty faces you'd almost want to turn the temperature down or at least flick on the air conditioning but unfortunately this wasn't an option open to us. We all feel guilty when we grumble about the weather especially as hot summers have become a thing of the past. However now that school is finished for the term we can regulate our own temperatures by staying in the shade and enjoy the pleasure of our gardens.

Again, this year has been amazing as well as hectic! This time last year when I was thinking about coming back in the autumn term anticipating an imminent Ofsted inspection and settling new staff into school, I wasn't quite sure how things were going to pan out. But in true Goxhill style our amazing group of staff pulled together and got behind me to ensure we did the best for the school in the hardworking way we could! Ofsted came and went and we were again pleased with the outcome. I know we strive for the 'Outstanding' label but who's to say we are not already. Currently there is so much in the news about the need for Ofsted to change its current view and practice and not make everything about results. Results are important but equally too is the need to nurture the 'whole' child, address all of their many needs and be 'inclusive'.

However we are extremely proud of the KS2 results received at the end of the Summer Term. Both children and staff have worked very hard and the results are thoroughly deserved!

	Goxhill Primary School	National Results	% above the National Average
Reading	94%	75%	+19%
SPAG	94%	78%	+16%
Writing	94%	78%	+16%
Maths	97%	76%	+21%
Combined	91%	64%	+27%

Please note that the percentages above refer to the number of children achieving Age Related Expectations not the number of marks achieved by the children.

So we had our Ofsted (which you all know about); we had yet again a lovely run up to Christmas with a number of performances from the children which parents enjoyed; we launched January with a massive focus on improving writing across the school as well as a bigger emphasis on spelling, grammar and punctuation; Numbers rose within the nursery as well and a very happy year 6 group trundled off for their residential week which ended a perfect year for a perfect group of children!

In my last Gander article I mentioned that the standards in writing have improved so greatly across the school and that in future articles there may even be some contributions from the children. I will be pleased to share with you some recollections from a number of our children across the school.

But these are by two of our children who move into year 6 this September, who wrote these pieces when they were in the Foundation Stage. I know it will be within a blink of an eyelid that I will be writing of their successes this time next year as they move on to secondary school. Where have the years gone??

In the Foundation Stage by Thea Adams age 5

I have had lots of fun this year. My favourite thing was writing books and writing about animals and insects. I liked going to Woodside Falconry and I loved the parrot. On Sports day I came first and second in my races. My mummy and grandma were very proud. The Cook off was good fun also - I made a ladybird bun. Mrs Smith sings lots of songs with us and I love to sing. My sister Almerna loves to sing too. We also learned lots of French with Mr Travis. I love all of my teachers in the Foundation Stage unit.

In the Foundation Stage by Tiana Mai Redhead age 5

I loved writing stories. I loved doing my tricky words and I became really good at Games. My favourite story which I have written was about a snail. My Mummy came in and did the Cook Off with our class. I helped my mum do the legs on the caterpillar cake and the insects on the biscuits. I have enjoyed learning lots of French and singing songs with Mrs Smith.

Before I finish I wish to send out our very best wishes and much love to Mrs Davies who with Mr Davies will be welcoming their new baby into the world in August; and to Miss Teasdale who will return as Mrs Bennett in September following her much anticipated wedding to Mr Bennett on the 5th August. We appreciate and love their contribution to our schools and wish them lots of personal and family successes for their future.

Best Wishes to our year 6 children who move on to the next phase of their learning - we shall miss them.

I think you will agree that we have had a busy term and a busy year. It only remains for me to add that we hope you have had a pleasant summer and we hope to see you in school sometime soon.

Caroline Breslin

SCRAP FOR SCHOOL SKIP

North Lincolnshire Council decided to shut this brilliant scheme down, because they said Mark Ogilvie was illegally acting as a scrap dealer. But after lengthy investigations, including into his personal finances, they finally agreed to allow him to continue to allow the villagers to put their scrap metal into the skip parked on his drive. They realised that he was simply raising funds for the village, initially for Goxhill & East Halton Schools, but over the Summer he has been contributing any funds raised to Aaron's Battle fund.

So please continue to put any scrap metal in the skip on Mark's long drive at 'The Old Hatchery' on Westfield Road (corner of Stothards Lane). Just open the gates and drive up to the skip. NB. He does not go around collecting any scrap!

You know every penny raised will go directly to these worthy causes. So an enormous thank you Mark for your amazing determination to continue!

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When land forms an integral part of a neighbourhood, the value has emotive values. It forms the places where we go about our daily lives, form routines, create memories and the place we call home.

It comes as little surprise that people's feelings about these places – whether publicly or privately owned, can run high. This point isn't lost on Goxhill Residents' Action Group.

When we formed in February 2018 it was in response to a large plot of land next to our main public space being cleared of all greenery in a rather brutal manner. GRAG were aware that plans had been in existence for this land for some time.

In March, the Parish Council met with the developers – Keigar Homes to talk about their intentions. A few weeks later, GRAG met Goxhill's councillors to find out more about the specifics of the plans.

At the beginning of May we posted leaflets to every home in Goxhill, to share what we'd found out and recommend a way forward – a Neighbourhood Plan.

We also met with senior planning officer Dave Lofts who gave us lots of useful information on the subject and suggested next steps.

Are we ready for large-scale development?

From the outset, we've said that all views count, so we were delighted in June when more than 70 residents attended our public meeting.

We shared information from a Freedom of Information request that shows on a map the sites in Goxhill that



have been submitted to North Lincolnshire Council for future development. A total of 16 separate plots have been put forward, 14 of which are outside the village's current building line. When we added up the surface area of these plots, we estimated that together they

were almost half the entire size of Goxhill as it is today. North Lincolnshire Council are now deciding how many of these sites are suitable and available for development. It could be some, none or all – we won't know until next year. It's important to note that these sites are not the only ones that could be developed.

Most of the residents who came along to the meeting expressed concern about Goxhill's future. When asked to name three things they liked about living in Goxhill,

98% stated "village atmosphere" and "peace and quiet". This confirmed to GRAG that many villagers feel the same way about what's important here in Goxhill.

Where do we go from here?

Whoever we talk and listen to, wherever we go, we always arrive at the same conclusion:

With a Neighbourhood Plan we can ALL play a part in shaping our village's future, if we choose to.

On 22nd June we wrote to the Parish Council and asked them to officially consider the idea. The process must be instigated by them, but the plan itself is driven by a steering group comprised of residents. Neighbouring village Barrow have already instigated the process for their Neighbourhood Plan and it makes absolute sense that Goxhill follow in their footsteps.

The reasons for developing a Neighbourhood Plan are extensive. For example, it could determine what Goxhill actually needs in terms of future housing and the types of housing.

It could ensure that money from the Community Infrastructure Levy is spent on projects of our choosing in Goxhill (not elsewhere, which it has been in the past!) A Neighbourhood Plan could recognise and help protect Goxhill's unique equine and aviation heritage, as well as its rural character.

The community can also bring forward smaller-scale developments on specific sites without the need for planning permission.

It can take several years to complete a plan, but once approved it is a legal document that sits alongside and complements the council's Local Plan and national policies. The details of the plan would be considered by planners when assessing applications for developments. On Tuesday 31 July, our committee felt we had come full circle. Like many other residents, we went along to the meeting held by Keigar Homes to look at their plans for the land between Horsegate Field Road and the playing fields. The size of this proposed development will inevitably have a dramatic negative impact on our Village. GRAG intend to continue our work to oppose this development and can assure Goxhill that we will not leave any stone unturned. You can find our update for the consultation on our website:

www.goxhillresidentsactionsgroup.com

Looking at the proposals displayed at the meeting, the reason we established GRAG in the first place was brought into sharp focus. Yes, the clearing of this site prompted our formation, but our reasons for our existence run much deeper:

To amplify the voices of those who want Goxhill to remain a pleasant, peaceful, safe and sustainable village.

We have been overwhelmed by the support shown so far and we hope we can encourage many more residents to start talking and thinking about our village's past, present and future.

Whether you are for or against GRAG's aims, or aren't sure either way, please come along to our next **public meeting at 7.30pm on 27 September 2018 at Goxhill Primary School.**

We hope that members of our Parish Council will also attend so that together we can talk about neighbourhood planning. If you are interested in being part of the steering group or getting involved in some way, please get in touch. You can let us know in person, by phone or email, or via our website. As always, we look forward to hearing from you!

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GOXHILL'S RAF100 EVENT TAKES OFF

**Goxhill's RAF100 Event, incorporating
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22 SEPTEMBER

12.30pm - start at Goxhill Primary School

2.00pm - Service at the Airfield Propellor Tribute

It promises to be a fantastic occasion!

A lot of hard work has gone into getting it off the ground and lots of people in the village have come together to support the event and take part. There's so much planned that it's difficult to list it all but here are most of the highlights:



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During the organisation of this RAF100 event, the memories of the RAF crewmen who were based in the village have never been far from our minds and they won't

be on the day. Goxhill's children will be laying crosses in their memory and a special poem will be read out. It's important for the children who grow up and come to school in Goxhill to learn about what the Airfield means to the village and understand the sacrifice these crewmen and others made. I have been honoured to represent Goxhill through North Lincolnshire Aviation to bring this event together. I'm very excited about the day and hope you are too!

I would like to thank Miss Breslin and Goxhill Primary School for their support and help in making the event possible and holding the event in the school grounds.

Keep an eye on the Goxhill Voice on Facebook for future updates. If you've got any questions, please let me know.
Lorraine Gibbins Phone - 07801208011 Email - Lorraine.gibbins39@sky.com

Goxhill Singing Group

My lawn bowling during the summer meant that it had been some time since I'd gone along to sing on a Wednesday evening. All the same, I was a little taken aback to be met with "Hit the road Jack and don't you come back no more." when I walked into the Chapel schoolroom. "What you say?" I asked in confusion - which turned out to be exactly the right response, since they were singing the Ray Charles classic.

Apart from a recess for England versus Croatia in the World Cup, Goxhill Singing Group (GSG) has continued throughout the summer with people dipping in and out to fit in with holidays and warm weather or outdoor pastimes.

The only thing that's as certain as GSG running is knowing that when you return there will be folk like you keen to share a sing-a-long, the odd joke (some of Ian Neve's jokes being particularly odd) and a cup of tea. Even if your singing voice is more Telly Savalas than Russell Watson, less like Madonna than Hylda Baker, come along any Wednesday evening to the schoolroom at the rear of the Methodist Chapel on Chapel Street. GSG runs from 7pm until about 9pm - but don't worry if your schedule means arriving later or leaving earlier, it will not be a problem. The cost is just £1 which goes towards room hire and printing lyrics sheets. If you have any questions or need more details then check out the GSG page on Facebook or contact **Sally Salmon on 07810207902.** **John Guggiari**



Singing in the Chapel at Open Gardens 2018



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GOXHILL OPEN GARDENS WEEKEND 2018

As I walked down my garden prior to writing this article it was difficult to remember that only five weeks ago everything was so green and colourful. Long hot summers are very nice and don't come round very often but they do play havoc with a garden like mine that is basically an overgrown railway yard.

This years Open Gardens was quite a change to previous years, we had a radio celebrity on the Friday evening; the promise of a live radio show on Saturday morning; two days worth of gardens and the Chapel and Church coming together to make the whole weekend a great success.

Doug Stewart (Radio Humberside) started the weekends proceedings with a lively Gardeners Question Time in the Chapel on the Friday evening to get everyone in the mood. Following on from this Radio Humberside asked us to be part of their live programme "Absolutely Clueless" featuring a delightful presenter called Lucy who races round the Humberside area following clues with the help of listeners, we were due to be her final stop. We listened to her progress on the radio often shouting directions, for what reason I've no idea, but sadly she ran out of time before arriving at Goxhill. But this was by no means a set back to the weekend as visitors had already started to met up at the Chapel for a "Pop-In" bacon butty and were ready for the off at 1pm.

And so to the gardens, providing interest and variety over two days made for interesting planning but our volunteer gardeners were up to the challenge. We had six gardens spread across the village that were open on both days with an additional two open on Saturday and four on Sunday, a total of 12 gardens of which five were new ones. At most of the gardens there was a little bit

extra in the form of plant sales, information tents, hanging basket competitions, games, refreshments and the Goxhill Singing Group.

As usual we were well supported by the local garden centres and businesses for our Hanging Basket raffle. This year they were spread round the village so you had a chance no matter where you visited; or in others words there was no escape from people trying to take a

£1 off you. Hanging baskets were donated by **Deepdale Garden Centre, The Plant Lady and Tuplins Nursery; Goosemans Growers** provided a planted teacup and **Shawbriggs Farm Shop** supplied a fresh fruit and veg box. The competitions were well supported and most of the lucky winners had their prize by Sunday teatime. I must also thank **Gary and Gill Payne** for their



Emma Maynard with The Plant Lady's Fuchsia Ball



Joyce McDonald is delighted to win the Goosemans Teacup



The Hanson family receive the Tuplins basket



Murphy auditions for the Goxhill Singing Group

continued support by producing the posters and maps. I am not sure how well the weekend went financially, though I am sure that it will be recorded in another article in the magazine. But from a visitor point of view it went

very well, all the gardeners were pleased with the numbers looking round, one person reported counting over 100 visitors before they gave up and just enjoyed the moment.

My personal moments were a visit to the garden by Geoff Brown, one of the original organisers, who hasn't been in the best of health, and watching my dog join in with the male section of the singing group.

Our thoughts will soon turn to next years Open Gardens, I think it will be a full weekend again providing we have the gardens. A number of people expressed an interest in opening next year as they walked around and I will be visiting you in the New Year.

Jack Lawtey

Open Gardens 2018 - from the Chapel

The chapel has been doing Open Gardens for almost 30 years. I was still at primary school when we first got the chance to view the results of the village's green-fingered residents' labours with flower displays and refreshments in the chapel. I have photographs from 2003 and 2005 of the members gathered in the schoolroom after a long afternoon of serving tea and cakes, the first shows Mary Denness, Mary Lamming, Ethel Collingwood and Christine Cordier; from two years later smiling for the

camera are Jack and Vera Elwood, and Mary Brown. We have lost them all in the intervening years, but I thought of them as I took pictures of the wonderful displays on offer this year.

I thought of how people come and go, times change. Those who survive get older and less able to do all they did in the past. New blood in the chapel came in the shape of our Anglican friends, who were so vital in the kitchen preparing and serving the food, and who ran the tombola and plant stall. They also marvellously decided

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to move their garden party to coincide with Open Gardens by hosting it on Saturday 15th June at Conifer Cottage on North End. Meanwhile, the planning and organisation of the gardens – over two days, with not all the same gardens on both days – was taken with great aplomb by Jack Lawtey. We could not have done it without them and we thank them all for their efforts.

It is no secret that Open Gardens is the chapel's biggest money-spinner of the year. At the most recent count we had £1,300 profit from the two days – vital when we have lots of work to do. The church also made considerable sums and I know charities benefitted too in some of the gardens. The driving force was Jack Lawtey and the team surrounding him and we commend them for their success, which we know will be repeated (and then some) next year with some gardens that were not open this year being added to the roster and further ideas to enhance the celebration of our beautiful village.

But Open Gardens is not just about making money for the chapel. It is a celebration of God's creation, our



village, our chapel, and our people. Two aspects of the event this year brought that home to me: the fantastic cereal boxes turned into depictions of Bible stories by local schoolchildren inspired by Deacon Helen Webster, and the hours I spent on the door close to the cake stall being run by Josie Lamming and Ruth Finlay. Ruth has spent her whole life in Goxhill. She has memories of my great-great-grandparents and we chatted about them on that pair of June afternoons between selling maps and cakes.

And if people past and present are the most important part of Open Gardens, that's doubly the case with the new windows. All the panes are dedicated in thanksgiving for

or as a memorial to loved ones with links to the chapel and the village. They will be dedicated in a special circuit service at 3pm on Sunday 2nd September to which all who have supported us by giving money for the windows are invited. It would be great to see you there to share in a time of celebration and reflection of those people who came before us and the honour we can pay them by maintaining the chapel building to ensure it continues to play an important role in the community. **Adam Ellis**



To chuckle, or not to chuckle – that is the question?

Ah, what would we do without our weather to discuss? We are either enjoying it, or complaining about it, whatever the season. In any event, we should always attempt to inject some humour into our discussions, and I side with Aristotle, who, many years ago said something along the lines of 'For humour to succeed there must be an element of surprise'. When it comes to the written, or spoke, word, it is not the phrase or sentence that is inherently funny, it is our initial interpretation which may create the surprise and cause a reaction.

Here is a selection of humorous extracts from letters attributed to complaints and excuses sent to local councils and insurance companies. **Each single one is totally innocent, and innocuous; or is it?**

- I wish to report that tiles are missing from the outside toilet roof. I think it was bad wind the other night that blew them off.
- My lavatory seat is cracked, where do I stand.
- I am writing on behalf of my sink, which is coming away from the wall.
- I request permission to remove my drawers in the kitchen.
- 50% of the walls are damp, 50% have crumbling plaster and the rest are plain filthy.
- I am still having problems with smoke in my new drawers.
- The toilet is blocked and we cannot bath the children until it is cleared.
- Will you please send someone to mend the garden path. My wife tripped and fell on it yesterday and now she is pregnant. We are getting married in September and she would like it in the garden

before we move house.

- Will you please send a man to look at my water, it is a funny colour and not fit to drink.
- Our lavatory seat is broken in half and is now in three pieces.
- Would you please send a man to repair my spout. I am an old age pensioner and need it badly.
- The man next door has a large erection in the back garden, which is unsightly and dangerous.
- Our kitchen floor is damp. We have two children and would like a third, so please send someone round to do something about it.
- I am a single woman living in a downstairs flat and would you please do something about the noise made by the man I have on top of me every night.
- Please send a man with the right tool to finish the job and satisfy my wife.
- I have had the Clerk of the Works down on the floor six times, but I still have no satisfaction.
- This is to let you know that our lavatory seat is broken and we can't get BBC2.
- I want some repairs done to my cooker as it has backfired and burnt my knob off.
- I wish to complain that my father hurt his ankle very badly when he put his foot in the hole in his back passage and their 18 year old son is continually banging his balls against my fence.
- He's got this huge tool that vibrates the whole house and I just can't take any more.
- ...that is his excuse for dogs mess, that I find hard to swallow.

Kevin Guy



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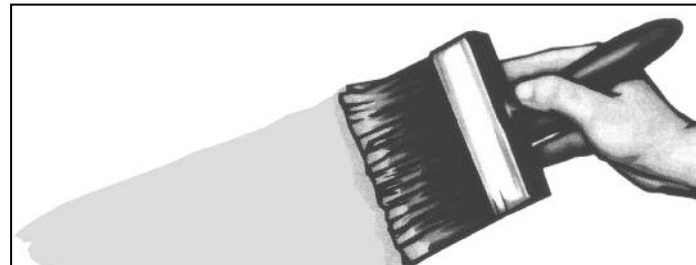
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Update from National Grid River Humber Gas Pipeline Replacement Project

By Steve Ellison, project manager

Assembling the gas pipeline

Our Goxhill site is a hive of activity as we continue to construct our tunnel under the Humber and assemble the gas pipeline that will sit within it.

Installing the 5.4 kilometre gas pipeline is a tough engineering challenge and the scale of the materials needed alone is mind-boggling. 516 pipes, the majority of which are over 11 meters long, have been transported to the pipeline 'stringing field' at our Goxhill site. To assemble the pipeline we will use a crane to lift the pipe sections into position and weld them together to form eight larger pipe strings, each over 600 metres in length. These are then stored in our stringing field on a specialised rail racking system ready for the next stage of assembly. A first of a kind system in the world of pipeline construction!

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Science Equipment Funding

Over the last year, primary schools in Humberside have been benefitting from National Grid's science equipment funding. The aim of the funding is to enable schools to improve their Science Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM) teaching, and to



encourage children to get involved in practical science activities while having fun learning. Goxhill Primary School's funding went towards lab coats and microscope sets, which has enabled the school to get more hands-on in science lessons.

Goxhill Bowling Club Fence Replacement

Goxhill Bowling Club has been awarded £4,000 for a new fence through our Community Grant Programme. The work will take place in early autumn, after bird-nesting season, when the trees will be removed and the new fence will be erected.

Traffic management

Over recent months, residents of Goxhill will have noticed a steady flow of traffic coming to and from the site. These vehicles are carrying important loads such as tunnel segments, as well as material extracted during the tunnelling works. The pipeline sections are all now delivered to site and all of our contractors are

instructed to follow the agreed traffic management plan. The project team would like to thank you for your patience whilst we carry out these works.

Keeping in touch

If you need to get in touch with a member of our community relations team, then please contact them via email at nationalgrid@riverhumberpipeline.com or telephone on **0800 988 9144**.

Hedgehog Rescue

Here at Cherry Cottage, we are a small, one person, home based rescue that cares for injured and abandoned hedgehogs across North East Lincolnshire and the Humber area. We help and care for all hedgehogs and hoglets and rely totally on donations and fundraising ideas from all walks of life but with one thing in common. Caring for animals that wouldn't survive without our intervention.

Our aim; is to treat all injured/sick hedgehogs that arrive at Cherry Cottage, whilst ensuring the eventual release back into their natural habitat. We have built a great relationship with our local vet that contacts us when an injured animal is brought into them and who also gives us expert advice, when we need a little bit of assistance, in return for taking them off their busy workplace to provide care. We give care in every way possible, from immediate life saving treatment to providing a little extra feeding, fostering hedgehogs to volunteers, to providing after care to hedgehogs that have undergone veterinary treatment. All from donations given from the public, we receive no external funding.

We have a number of volunteers that offer a little bit of breathing space for us by fostering hedgehogs that are fit and healthy, however in Autumn, the chances of their survival so close to the hibernation season is minimal. So our volunteers provide that safe and warm sanctuary for them to survive the winter. Our volunteers fully understand that hedgehogs are not pets and that they are providing them with a better chance of survival until they can be released in the spring. Without these volunteers, such as Emma Tomlinson (Goxhill) and Caroline Barley (Nelc) we would be overrun for space and facilities so with that I have great appreciation towards them. We are registered with the British Hedgehog Preservation Society we can now be recognised by everyone and have also completed training to allow us to diagnose and treat via microscopy. We also are certified to perform minor surgical intervention.

So far this year Cherry Cottage has; Cared for over a hundred hedgehogs and hoglets, and released 87 back to the wild. Currently have 26 newborn hoglets needing nursing care.

We are currently raising funds for a much needed second incubator with bacterial filtering which is essential to life for a sick hedgehog, our incubator that we have is constantly in use and has been a lifesaver. Our incubator has currently saved over 89 newborn hoglets that would not have survived.

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Thank you. Joanne Deighton



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MAYOR'S SPEECH

My second term of office as Mayor of North Lincolnshire has come to an end and has absolutely flown by.

To spend a year once again representing North Lincolnshire has been a great honour for myself and my Mayoress Carol who has been an incredible support and ambassador throughout.

Carol and I have thoroughly enjoyed our Civic year and met some wonderful people from all walks of life and who have done some extraordinary things like George "Johnny" Johnson the last surviving member of the Dambusters Crew.



There are many people to thank for their support during our Mayoral year but we would like to say a special thank-you to Ann Liles for officiating as our Mayors Chaplain and did a sterling job.

Things that stand out during my year are varied but to me the most outstanding event was my skydive. What an exhilarating experience and after making a soft landing I was quite overwhelmed and emotional that I had just done a tandem sky dive.

Although it was out of my comfort zone the reason I did it was for my Mayors Charity "When You Wish Upon A Star" to make a special day come true for some sick and very sick children.

Councillor Peter Clark



Health and Wellbeing in North Lincolnshire

North Lincolnshire Council have a major role to play in promoting public health and are doing good work in providing lifestyle information out to local people. Whilst this can be challenging in towns it can be very difficult in rural areas such as ours.

Statistics prove it is largely the case in the Ferry Ward that people want to live a long, active and healthy life. To help we are providing training events to provide information so that the quality of life in rural communities like Goxhill will remain high compared to many urban areas as we should never become complacent.

Whilst average lifespan continues to increase for both men and women there are signs that our modern lifestyles are beginning to have a negative effect on how long people live healthy and well. In other words we are seeing more people who need medical support earlier in their lives than has been the case in the past. Whilst some of this is about earlier diagnosis there are concerns that obesity, lack of exercise, smoking and the excessive use of alcohol are all conspiring to cause health problems amongst our population. Surprisingly, loneliness has now been recognised as a significant factor in causing ill health.

To improve access to public health information and to help counteract loneliness NLC have introduced a scheme called Make Every Contact Count (MECC).

It works on the premise that local people can be trained to have a "healthy chat" with their friends and neighbours. The healthy chat involves engaging in a conversation about health and wellbeing and then steering people to the various services and initiatives that will help them to improve their health, fitness and quality of life. It has the additional benefit of having something constructive to discuss with people you may not often engage with.

The Neighbourhood Watch Groups in Goxhill and Kirmington have both expressed an interest in hosting a joint MECC training event early in October in one or other of the villages. This is two hour training event provided free of charge by North Lincolnshire Council and it's aim is to equip people with the information to have that healthy chat.

The event will be open to all members of community and further details will be made available once the date and venue have been confirmed.

Please consider coming along at the time to find out more about living a healthy lifestyle. **Councillor Wells**

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Dear all, Thank you for your continued support with Neighbourhood Watch over the past 18 months. It has certainly moved forward in that time. Villagers are being more vigilant, which is making a difference to our community. Crime has decreased. More people are following the GNew goxhill Page.

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Yesterday's Mistakes

There is concern in the village regarding the building of a proposed large number of houses in a new estate in Goxhill. The chief objection does not lie with the increase in the size of the village but in the inadequacy of the existing facilities and the lack of provision in the proposal to accommodate these problems. Our school is absolutely full to capacity, driving in our streets is made difficult and dangerous by parked vehicles and heavy traffic. Our councils both Parish and North Lincs really must wake up to these problems which we already face before allowing any further development.

It has been very easy to slip into our present situation because of the way that peoples housing requirements have changed and the lack of reaction to those changes that has occurred. Long ago it was decided that an oil refinery was to be built at Killingholme. The immediate response was one of delight, vast numbers of jobs, build a new town at Limber, build council houses in Goxhill all for the thousands of refinery workers. Land for those council houses was purchased plans were made to provide access to the council estate and then reality took over. The labour force to build the refinery would be supplied by contractors from other areas and would stay only as long as construction lasted. The permanent refinery labour force would not be very large and what was most important was that the refinery workers would be well paid they would be able to afford to buy their own houses in the surrounding towns and villages and would not want to live in council houses.

My wife and I first came to the village in 1969. We lived in town and our three children were growing up with others in an area which was not very pleasant, so we were looking for a new home. We looked at the house in Willow Lane and outside on a post standing in the grass was a notice saying that the lane was to be widened and straightened to provide access to the new council estate. The plan showed that although a small piece of land would be taken from the garden the road would be widened to the other side and would in fact be a little further from the house itself. We decided to buy. Time passed and bungalows were built on the land on the opposite side of the lane their fronts set back behind the building line for the new road but there was no council house estate.

Although there had been no demand for houses to be built by the council the village steadily increased in size and soon the old Methodist school was no longer large enough to accommodate the children of the village. Here was a use for the land that the council had bought. A new school and a playing field were built upon the land. Unfortunately, access to the school and the field received little consideration and as the children no longer walked to lunch in the Memorial Hall the ability to walk faded and the motor car took over. There was a small car park that parents could use when they delivered children to the school by car but as it was easier to drive over the grass verge than through the entrance this had to be fenced off.

After a few more years had passed the owners of the bungalows in the lane were told that it was no longer the intention to widen and straighten the lane. The years that had past had however seen change in the lane for as the cars and lorries drove over the grass verge they created dangerous ruts which the council filled with tarmac so removing the grass verge and widening the roadway into the hedge bottom. Where it had been possible to mow the grass, there was now nothing to mow. The replacement of the sewers in the lane enabled this widening to be incorporated into the lane when the surface was reinstated. Now because there was no grass verge upon which to stand it became dangerous to cut the hedge unless traffic management could be arranged.

I also have my own connection with a problem for which the council have told enquirers that the house owner is responsible. In 2008 we decided that we would like to register our house and garden with the Land Registry and so we placed the task in the hands of our solicitor. The process went smoothly except that we were told that we could not register a small corner of the garden at the junction of Willow Lane and Meadow Close because it belonged to someone else. For the past thirty-nine years I had been cutting and caring for the hedge at that corner without knowing that it was not my responsibility. When we bought the house that corner was retained to give access to the close but it was not needed however the builder wanted a little more room on the other end of the garden so we made a verbal agreement for an exchange. The builder did not register the exchange.

We make history every day, the things that we do and the plans that we make can have effects stretching far into the future. My own interest in the enclosure of Goxhill has enabled me to see the effects of the Parliamentary Act of Enclosure which have shaped the village in which we live today. We can see the contrast between the roads, sixty feet wide between the hedges, that were laid out at that time and the somewhat narrower access that is constructed now. It was specifically stated within the Act that nothing should be done that would adversely affect the existing owners, streets, and properties in the village so we live with the lanes and property boundaries that were in the village streets at that time. Not everything that was contained in the act was carried to completion. The act said; "One other Public Highway or Road herein called the Blacksmiths Shop Road extending from the Town Street of Goxhill to the south east corner of an Antient Homestead of Edward Westoby and from thence Eastwards to the said Horsegate Road". This is now called the Green Ramper but had it been made into a sixty-foot-wide road as the Act said it would have provided excellent access to the ground upon which the school was built and would have solved many traffic problems.

Our planners must think carefully about how the village is to grow. There are good development opportunities around the village, let us use them wisely. **Maurice Brawn**

MICHAEL CLARK

Heartfelt thanks to all our good friends, family and neighbours, for all the wonderful flowers, cards, kind words and support at this time. We were overwhelmed.

The family thanks you all for giving my hubby, Mick, the lovely send off he so rightfully deserved. Mick will always be in our hearts and thoughts. You have all made our days a little easier.

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GOXHILL'S GROCERS SHOPS - THE SPAR

It would be remiss of me not to complete this series of articles about Goxhill Grocer's shops without looking at the now closed Spar shop, run most recently by Paul Searby. As well as selling groceries Paul took over dad and mum's newspaper business when they retired nearly fifteen years ago. They continued to help him out with, initially, a round to more outlying areas of the village, then making emergency deliveries when the papers were late. Paul had also taken on the responsibility, more recently, from Colin and Christine Creasey, for the Post Office. Before these changes the Post Office was situated near the station, in the buildings either side of the 'Goxhill Chippie'. Previously a Post Office business had, for many years, been in King Street.

Paul Searby had taken over the Spar shop from Peter Gilman who had, in turn, taken over from Malcolm Thompson. I remember Malcolm Thompson living with his wife Shelia and children Andrew and Kathryn in Chapel Street. Malcolm's parents were Anthony Darwin Thompson, known as Darwin, and Ivy. Darwin had run his business, 'Thompson Fruiterer and Grocer', with Ivy in White Cottage which is now a residential house next to the Spar shop. 'Goxhill at War' records White Cottage selling 'Grocery, Cigarettes and Sweets' and in the recollections of D. Brocklesby, she remembered Darwin delivering fruit and vegetables to the house where she and her fellow evacuee lived. Ramona Percy wrote, in her article 'Memories of Goxhill-The 1930's', Autumn 2010, that she remembered Darwin's father, a tailor, making clothes behind the grocer's shop.

The 1939 census, taken at the start of World War 2, has just been released. It shows that Darwin's parents, Ernest, a Master Tailor aged 67 years and wife Elizabeth lived in White Cottage with Ivy Sleight who was a Shop Assistant (Grocery). Darwin and Ivy had married earlier in 1939. Ivy was Len Wilford's sister. On their marriage Darwin and Ivy lived, together with Len, a farmer, and Len and Ivy's mother at the family farm. Some may remember the Wilford family, originally from Binbrook, at, if I remember correctly, Pear Tree Farm on Ferry Road in North End. Wilford family members later lived in various houses on Churchside in the village.

The new Spar shop was built for Malcolm, on land adjacent to White Cottage, by Frank H. Thompson, who Charlie Guiliat has written about previously. Dad



Photo of Howe Lane, 1955. It shows Giles' shop prior to Frank Thompson's refit; on the left is Tommy Thompson's butcher shop presumably after a refit. Frank Wardle's garage is on the left and Darwin Thompson's shop further down the street.
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Photo of Howe Lane, looking west towards London House and Giles shop, taken from near where the Spar shop was to be.

remembers that a path had run across this land, joining Howe Lane to The Square. Frank H. Thompson had worked also on Dad's shop update and to London House in the late 50's and early 60's. He modernised Jim Austin's shop (now Penny Lane hairdressers) 'opening it up' with similarly large windows. Dad recalled that Frank worked here alongside Herbert Martinson (Sue Sharpe's father). Frank had also rebuilt the butcher's shop at King's Well which had been owned by generations of the Raby family then Tommy Thompson and later by Tommy's widow Mrs Wharton. Tommy Thompson was a farmer too. He had, according to Dad, created a real upheaval in the village after a summer of particularly bad weather. Tommy wanted to harvest on a Sunday, which had been traditionally preserved as a day of rest. Albert Thompson (no relation), who worked for Tommy, was happy to, but Mr Rowbotham (Hilda's father) was unhappy and refused. Apparently Tommy had, at that time, to back off with his plan, but ultimately he became the first farmer to harvest on a Sunday. Others, apparently, quickly followed his lead.

Darwin, Tommy and Frank H. Thompson were brothers. Darwin, Tommy and Frank's father, a Master Tailor and mentioned previously, was Ernest William Thompson, who had been born in Normanby by Spital but is recorded living in Goxhill in the 1891 census, aged 24, single and an assistant tailor to George Catley. The Catley home was Westfield House on Howe Lane. George Catley was first recorded in Goxhill in 1871, a Master Tailor, and boarding with an agricultural labourer's family. George purchased Westfield House for £260 at auction at the Yarborough and Railway Hotel, New Holland on 3 July 1878 (from Lance family tree on Ancestry website). He married in 1880 and he and his wife Mary are recorded continuously at Westfield House, until their respective deaths in 1933 and 1935. George is listed as a tailor but he had other strings to his bow; the 1896 Kelly's Directory records him as 'tailor, beekeeper and assessor of Queen's taxes'. Westfield House has also been home to a Master Baker and then photographs circa 1955 show that part of the house was a branch of the Hull Savings Bank. The outline of the bank frontage can be made out on what is now a private residence.

Ernest Thompson, Darwin, Tommy and Frank's father, married Elizabeth Ann Sharp, in 1896. At the 1901 census they are recorded living on Howe



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Shops article continued from p35

Lane, with three children Elsie (b. 1897), Darwin (b. 1898) and Nora (b. 1899). I believe that they lived in middle cottage of the row of three cottages that sit opposite the library. On the census Thomas Moore (Railway stationmaster) is recorded at the station; George Catley at Westfield House, George Sleight (farm labourer) and his family is next, in the first cottage, now named Keyline Cottage; Ernest and his family is listed at what is now called Birkett's cottage. Thomas West is listed at what is now called Parkinson's cottage. Thomas was the blacksmith at what became West's, Mellor's then Green's garage. After that William Martinson, bricklayer (Sue Sharpe's great grandfather), is recorded at Well Cottage, then William Berriman Raby, retired butcher, is at King's Well.

By 1911 Ernest, Elizabeth and their family are living in North End. Madeline (b. 1902) was followed by two more children; Cyril Samuel, who died in 1907 aged 4 and Mary Ellen who died, a baby, in 1905. Edna (b.1908) and Tommy (b. 1910) followed. It is impossible to say where exactly they lived but three residences before, in the census, was William Hewitt, joiner, in Willow Lane (I believe this is Mr Brawn's house). Three residences later, in the census, was Alfred Asher, a bricklayer by trade, and recorded at the 'Generous Briton' public house, now Briton Lodge. Ernest and Elizabeth's youngest child, Frank, was born in 1912 when Ernest is recorded as a 'Journeyman Tailor'. This term means that he had served his apprenticeship but was not yet qualified enough to be termed 'Master Tailor'. He is described as worker 'at the home' which means he was employed, so quite possibly still working for George Catley, but based at his home in North End. At the 1911 census Darwin is just 12 years old. The next record I can find of Darwin is Kelly's County Directory in 1930, where he is listed as a grocer. Are there any relatives who know where Darwin started in business or when he took over White Cottage?

In this same 1911 census George Drinkall senior is recorded as the grocer at White Cottage. I am happy that the setting is accurate because listed before him are William Turner, Warehouse Labourer for a Corn Merchant, recorded living in Davey's Yard and John Ellerby, Warehouseman for a Corn Merchant, recorded similarly living in Davey's Yard, Davey's Yard now being The Granary on Howe Lane with cottages behind it. George Drinkall is listed having been born in Melton Ross in 1838. In 1861 he is recorded as a servant, possibly 'Carter', to farmer William Ellis at The Grange, South Ferriby. He married Betsy Johnson in 1862. She is recorded as being born in Brocklesby around 1836 and a 'Bessy' Johnson of Brocklesby is similarly recorded in 1861 with the Ellis family and a House servant. It seems that this is where they met. They continued living in South Ferriby for the 1871 and 1881 census records. George is either a General or Agricultural Labourer and their family; Harry (b. 1863), Dinah Elizabeth (b. 1865), George (b. 1867), William (b. 1869), Robert Joseph (b. 1871), Sarah Eliza (b. 1873), and Emily Jane (b. 1875) is expanding. The 1911 census states that Betsy had given birth to eight children and that all were still living. I know that she had a child before she married George and

that her first son was living with them in South Ferriby. At some point between 1881 and 1891 George and Betsy moved to Goxhill and White Cottage with Dinah, George, Robert and Emily. Dinah is listed as a Grocer's Assistant; Robert a tailor and Emily, a dressmaker. Also boarding with them is Henry Cavill Evison, a Railway Signaller and the grandson of my three times great grandfather, John Evison; tenuous I know but I'm fascinated by these connections. Incidentally, George Drinkall, shopkeeper, is listed in the 1891 conveyance for the land on which to build the Primitive Methodist Chapel in North Street, now named Chapel Street, which was completed in 1892.

The 1901 census shows that George junior and Emily continue to live with their parents at the family business. George senior and Betsy are both recorded as 'Grocer-Shopkeeper' with George junior a General Labourer and Emily a Grocer's assistant. Olive Roberts, aged 13 is living with them and a General Domestic Servant. Although not specifically stated, I believe they are at White Cottage because the next residence is specified as Santon House, a house still identified by this name next to White Cottage on Howe Lane.

George Drinkall senior died in Goxhill in 1912. Betsy, his wife died in 1928. I'm unclear whether Betsy continued in White Cottage until her death however in the 1913, 1919, 1926 and 1930 editions of the Kelly's Directory, George Drinkall (possibly George's son), is recorded as a shopkeeper (as was Darwin Thompson in 1930). At the 1911 census George junior had been listed living in North End, close to 'Millfield' and a farmer. Could he have moved back into White Cottage after his father's death and continued the family business? George junior died in 1934. His widow, Frances Mary Walker is recorded in the 1939 census living in North (Chapel) Street, four doors away from Wardle's butcher shop, with the Jennings family. Marjorie Jennings, their daughter, later married Charlie Patchett. I believe that this is the same couple who I remember, as a child in the 1960s, running the Fish and Chip shop which had been re-sited from North End, near the Generous Briton, where it had been run by Mr and Mrs Herbert Atkin, into Wardle's butcher's shop.

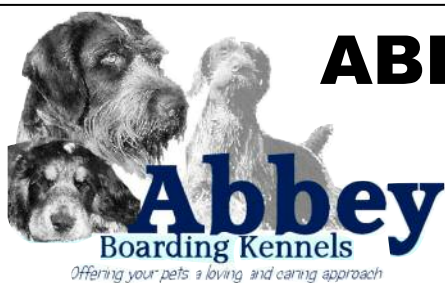
As for White Cottage, it's unclear. The 1881 census is not specific enough to be sure. I can place William Ellerby (John's father, listed above) living in Davey's yard. A Lewis Gregory, aged 51 and a Draper, is recorded living at what I believe is Bridlington House, which appears to have stayed in the Gregory family for many years and is opposite the shop. In 1891 Lewis Gregory is listed again but this time as a Retired Draper. Perhaps he is connected to the White Cottage story in some way? The Gregory family are interesting in themselves and will need their own Gander article at a later date.

Any additions and corrections to this article are always received gratefully. The initial recollections, given in conversation with my Dad, have now turned into a personal project from which I, and I hope others who read my findings, will derive interest and pleasure.

Elizabeth Fincham

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Goxhill's community library is situated in the Parish Rooms on Howe Lane, run by volunteer librarians and entirely free to use. The facilities include a wireless broadband connection with tea, biscuits and a chat on Wednesdays. Please make a note of the opening times to avoid having a wasted visit:

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John Guggiari

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Every year the group is astounded by how generously local people donate and raise funds to enable it to keep going. So it offers thanks to everyone who has helped. Please keep up the good work as it costs some £3,000 a year to run the local group. This includes affiliation to LIVES for training and accreditation, renewal of medical equipment, replacement of medical consumables as they are used, oxygen supplies and the mobile phone bill. If you are able to help sustain LIVES locally, whether as a first responder volunteer or through fundraising, please contact **Damian Connolly, branch co-ordinator: email connolly.dam@gmail.com or telephone 530656 or 07802710065**. LIVES is a registered charity number 1098364.

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GOXHILL BOWLING CLUB

With just 2 or 3 matches to play in each of the leagues that our club competes in, the likely outcome will be respectable positions in all three but just falling short of glory. However, for the vast majority of our members, this season has been one to remember most for its exceptional weather. With the heat wave came faster bowling greens (many looking distinctly more brown than green), and evening temperatures that were regularly close to ideal for bowling. At the time of writing we have just had our first rain affected match on 27th July when in a typical season we rarely make it to 27th May without getting wet during at least one game. Mind you, as the recent rain came via a thunderstorm and sudden loss of daylight, it led to complete abandonment of the match!

Whilst our Club is about lawn bowling and hence dependent on weather conditions during summer months, there are other opportunities locally for bowling indoors.

Goxhill Short Mat Bowling Club (GSMBC) practices and plays its home league matches at Goxhill Memorial Hall. As implied by the term 'short-mat' and the dimensions of the hall this requires less physical effort but no less skill. Also, apart from if a thunderstorm took out the electrics, rain should not be a problem. To find out more, email the GSMBC Secretary at irene@ballam.eu

If global warming means more summers like the current one then lawn bowling could well be an ideal sport to take up. It does not entail running about, the 'uniform' of a bowler is mainly whites and greys that help reflect the sunlight to keep you cool, hats to keep the sun off are quite acceptable and the risk of injury on a sun-baked playing surface should be minimal. For more details about Goxhill Bowling Club and lawn bowling, see our website at <http://goxhill-bowls-club.weebly.com> and get in touch through that or call me on 530363.

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OFF THE HOOF

"Home is where you hang your hat" ANON

I don't know who said that and it is a phrase, which has been coined regularly but is it true?

To me home means more than that. It's about belonging and helping neighbours, about being community minded and doing things or at least trying to. Its being part of something.

Goxhill has seen many changes which have been well documented through the pages of The Gander. A public meeting of GRAG took place at the school at which I think about 70 people attended. The main topic was the proposed building of 90 new houses on the Hawthorn Gardens site by Keigars, of whom we have already had less than honourable dealings with. Would we have a say in what was built and the infrastructure. Following Barrow Parish Council's lead, which I am assuming has had some success, GRAG are proposing to develop a Neighbourhood Plan for which everyone living in Goxhill is invited to make their wishes known. This can be done by either email or Facebook. I have asked for a contact phone number for those that do neither, but at the time of writing no one has come back to me. Hopefully they will provide details in a separate article in this issue. At the meeting it was banded about that we need progression for the village. For the life of me I cannot see why? We have no pub, no post office, a library that is hanging in by stalwart volunteers. This village should be more than a place to hang your hat. At the GRAG meeting the ditches and high risk of flooding was also mentioned. Would people please stop putting their grass cuttings in the ditches. This is fly tipping. Loads of our ditches need clearing out and I am not sure if it is the farmers who own the land, which I suspect it is, as 'ditch takes hedge' or highways that are responsible. Grass clippings and rubbish do not help the situation.

In my opinion the facilities we already have are much in need of improvement. The seat at the top end of Green Ramper is falling into disrepair. I think it was to commemorate someone, as I remember it did have a brass plaque on at one time, so particularly sad. That could be renovated and if anyone can remember to whom the plaque was in memory of replaced. Bridleways, in particular, are disgusting. It is not enough to cut the grass twice a year. They need maintaining for all to use. There is a great lack of volunteers in other areas. The library is desperate for more and the 200 Club, which involves a collection from members once per year, need more people to help. It seems ridiculous that a former resident of Goxhill still comes from Scawby to fulfil the role. I have now volunteered to do a patch, but surely once a year some others out there could also spare the time?

One of my suggestions for the neighbourhood plan will be the creation of a new bridleway down the side of Hawthorn Gardens turning right onto the playing field. All of which should be fenced off and a proviso that no cantering on the playing field part whilst matches are on, which is common sense. It should then continue onto Green Ramper which would create more options for riders. I suspect it will face opposition, but the playing field is a community area and as such should be put to greater use for all.

Just as an afterthought please do not tip grass clipping over the fence to horses. You may think that they are short of decent grass in their field, but the cuttings can give them colic from which they can die.

A few people have come forward to participate in a speed gun exercise on Thornton and Ferry Road, which will take place shortly.

I believe Open Gardens in June was a success but once

again people were reluctant to have a go. I must admit it was with great trepidation that I opened mine. I do not profess to be a gardener but with help from friends and neighbours it pulled together just in time. It turned out to be a really good experience. I saw people I hadn't seen for years and met new people who are keen to come back next year so it is really worth having a go. No visitors expected me to be an expert and several were looking for ideas for their own little patch. Proceeds from this event go towards the upkeep of the chapel. I can highly recommend volunteering.

Now for the ever-ongoing saga of flashing 30MPH speed signs on Ferry Road. I am hoping by the time this goes out it will be resolved, and they will be in situ! Fingers crossed!

If the heat wave is still continuing it may bring problems for our equine friends. The shortness of grazing as the grass dries up can, itself, cause life threatening colic. I have noticed that ragwort is in abundance this year. This plant is a killer if digested by horses and it is illegal to allow it to grow unchecked, yet there are horses in fields with nothing but ragwort. Owners please be careful!

If there are horses near you and you are worried about their welfare or you see they have no water, please do something about it for the animals' sake. The average intake of water for a horse is 8-10 gallons a day. In the heat we've been experiencing lately this will be increased. Thinking of the heat... Why do people walk their dogs in the heat of the day or take them shopping when it is so hot? For many years I have left a bowl of water out for passing dogs and I am pleased to see many other people are doing the same. Such a small gesture, but I'm sure our canine friends appreciate it. Exercising your pooch earlier or later in the day, when it is cooler, makes the walk more pleasurable for both dog and owner I'm sure.

Much has been reported lately on overweight riders for mounts in the show ring. How embarrassing would it be to be asked to leave the ring. It certainly opens up a minefield and not least could have greater repercussions especially if children try to keep their weight down to stay on their beloved pony.

Did you know Lincolnshire has the 11th highest population of horses in the UK according to a survey by Horse & Hound.

We are all aware that it is compulsory to have a passport for equines and it's illegal to sell one without. It is now compulsory to have horses, ponies and donkeys in England microchipped by October 2020 or face a £200 fine. Enforcement may prove difficult. Dogs already have to be microchipped and, on the news, the other day I heard they were calls to give cats 'equal rights'. As the law stands if a dog is run over the police must be informed, but not in the case of a cat, so its proposed to have cats microchipped and a change in the law to bring them in line with dogs.

It has been reported the figures of the live export of horses for meat has gone down. This is good news but, I believe, it should be stopped altogether. In the days of refrigeration, it is totally unnecessary to export live animals.

The controversy of the use of Grass Reins on ponies continues with some wanting them banned. For the uninitiated these are extra bits of reins which prevent the pony from putting his head down to eat while being ridden. Ponies by nature are greedy and if they get into the habit of eating whilst being ridden can catapult a small child out of the saddle and down it's neck in no time. Correctly fitted they are a useful bit of tack.

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On a lighter note, after much debate and finite rule reading, it was confirmed 'Wallace The Great' could participate in British Dressage competitions. 'Wallace The Great' is a mule - **BRILLIANT!**

BREAKING NEWS!

It is with great regret, I have to report the quest to obtain the disused railway track as a 'Permissive Bridleway' has

been rejected.

The track which closed in 1969, still has plans to reopen it as part of redevelopment by Able Marine, which is part of the company dealing with Offshore Wind Turbines and the expansion of the Immingham Humber Port Area.

Railtrack deem the legal ramifications of allowing it to become a 'Permissive Bridleway' are too great when they want to take it back.

My grateful thanks to Peter MacKensie-Brown, the British Horse Society Bridleways Officer for this area, who has worked hard in this regard.

Take care and ride safely. **Aileen 01469 530643**

GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Working Together

It has been a very interesting few weeks, and it has confirmed my strong belief that many people care deeply for our village, it's appearance, it's future, it's development and how these things come together, basically we all want the same results.

Most people know that we will develop, and the village will grow, how this is done, and the time scale is very important.

Most people know that in order to prevent environmental problems care must be taken, with serious attention to drainage.

In addition, in order to ensure safety of movement, care and attention must be given to the design and the routing of Highways and footpaths.

A new housing development, although to date, not yet set out, is quite the largest change we have faced in recent years. In order for our young people to stay in the area new homes are necessary, either for others to move up, therefore, making smaller homes available, or dependent upon build type, direct occupation. One of the prior concerns should be the effect upon our services, our school is already full to capacity, public transport has been cut right back, and we have already lost our one and only public house. It is imperative, therefore, that the money paid in charges, to the Local Authority, by any developer upon completion of properties, is returned for the sole benefit of Goxhill, not spent elsewhere in district, as it has been in the past. The money should be earmarked strictly to cover the additional pressures put upon our village, its necessary services, and nowhere else. In my mind this is an absolute priority.

Extra homes mean land that at present is able to absorb surface water, is no longer available to do so. We are assured that drainage ponds will be constructed on site for all surface water, however, they then over flow into existing dykes. We already have a problem there, many around the perimeter are not maintained adequately, and many within the village have been either culverted with too narrow pipes, or have been filled in by residents and gardened over. They may look wonderful but that is not the use that they were intended for, even if they are only needed once in ten years, they are most certainly needed. It is no use clearing one part of a circuit, if it is cut off or blocked at any one point.

The roads within our village area are already, at times, very busy, certain junctions, we know need extra care or attention when driving. It is clear to anyone that adding houses means adding equal, or more, vehicles to the roads. Great care should be taken to ensure that any new access roads are made with safety and traffic flow in mind,

this is one for the Highways department to look at closely, it is not always within a new development that the traffic needs to move safely but when it reaches an already busy village road. With more homes and more families, we should remember the footpaths, in addition to the footways alongside the highway. The footpaths can make all the difference, enabling children to walk safely, well away from any traffic, these should also be added to in any development of size.

I firmly believe that we can achieve more if we work together without the enmity that we have experienced, that is wasted energy, let's put the enthusiasm to positive use, and work together for the future. It is very obvious that we all want the same results, after all we live here, and we all care, otherwise I for one would not put in all the hours.

Playing Field

All is well at present, the area is hard and dry as is the whole of England at the time of writing, but it is ideal for the use intended, I hope that the children make good use of it during the holidays. Nets are to be supplied for the MUGGA so additional use can be made there.

Allotments

Like all gardeners the lack of rain is holding back some crops, and certainly making it hard work. It's seasons like this that make it very challenging. Two positives the strawberries are good this year and if we don't watch them the White butterflies are having a wonderful time!

Cemetery

In good state, at present this weather has certainly cleared the very wet area to the rear. The rear field is developing and hopefully extra planting can be done in the new border, during the autumn.

Library

Still running smoothly, but very much in need of more visitors, maybe the school holiday is a good time to introduce children to this facility, there's always help for them if it's needed.

Millennium Green

Work has started on the green and we hope that it is a whole new beginning. It will take time but a plan of work for this year has begun which involves clearance of self set trees and brambles, bridge maintenance and the tidying of the trees at the rear of the site. We hope that it will become an enjoyable area for everyone to enjoy. Please remember to remove any litter and pick up after your dog, the bins are available at the entrance.

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Goxhill Primary School Gardening Club children using some the tools paid for by Barton Rotary Club. A variety of vegetables and flowers are grown in the school's garden. The club is organised by member of staff Anne Scott and helped by parent Rachael Pottinger (left).

Barton Rotary Club donated kit to Barton Town Cricket Club Junior Teams. The pads, bats, helmets, gloves and kit holdalls will be used by the two under eleven teams. The Cricket Club is making a big difference to more than sixty young people including 35 5 to 8 year's old in the club's "All Stars", 20 under 11's, one team under 13 and one team under 15. Children from the surrounding villages are welcome. "Oliver Mussett, Cricket Club Secretary, said "We are very grateful to the Rotary Club for helping the young people by donating this kit for our under 11's teams. We are successfully increasing the numbers of children coming to play cricket and this meant that we did not have enough kit for our teams."



The Shelter Belt of trees donated by Barton Rotary Club in 2014 planted by Rotary members, Goxhill Councillors and volunteers, are growing well, some now reaching about 18 feet tall. The Parish Council has now cut a pathway through the grasses, making it a pleasant place to walk.

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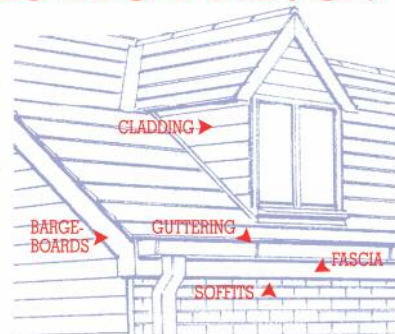
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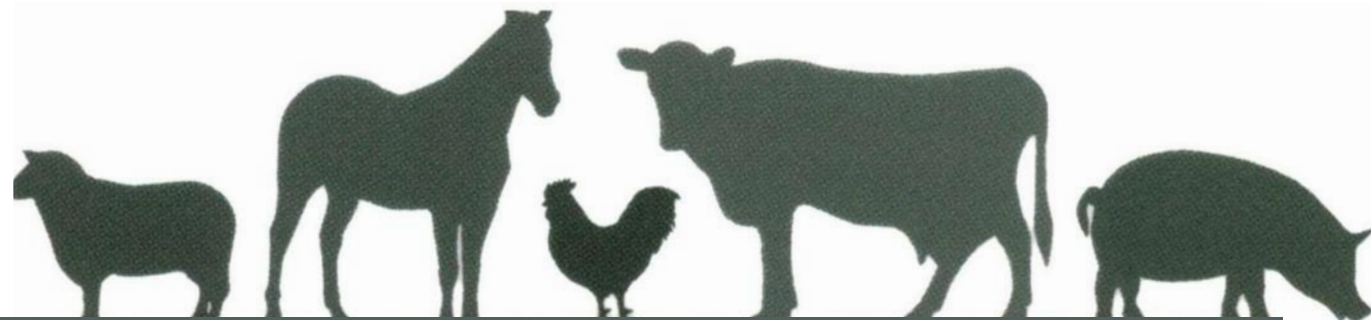
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We are a group of dedicated veterinary surgeons who have expertise in a wide range of subjects, including medicine, surgery, cardiology, ophthalmology, radiology, ultrasound and exotics.

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