Ellerton and Aughton Newsletter. October 2025

This newsletter is a collaborative venture between the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council.

Village Hall News

Trustee vacancy

After six years in post, the treasurer for Ellerton and Aughton village hall committee is retiring. We are looking for someone to step into his place. If you have the skills and would like to join the committee, or would like further information, then please get in touch. We meet approximately once every other month, and we work together to maintain our hall, and put on varied community events, including regular film nights, music evenings, Summer and Christmas fairs, etc. Alternatively, if words are more your thing than numbers, and you would like to join us, our current secretary is prepared to do the numbers instead.

If you would like further information, please contact us via e-mail at ellertonandaughtonvillagehall@gmail.com or speak to a member of the committee. Many thanks

Film Club

Ellerton village hall film club hosts a film night every 2nd Friday of the month. The doors open at 7pm and the film starts at 7.30pm.

We provide a bowl of complimentary popcorn and there is a choice of soft and alcoholic beverages, chocolate bars, crisps and ice-creams to purchase. Payment by cash or card. The film is free to watch, donations most welcome towards the upkeep of the village hall. Information regarding the film is posted frequently on the Ellerton film club group page on Facebook.

To join, go to the "Ellerton Film Club" group and make a request.

Wednesday Club

The Wednesday Club will close its doors on 17th December. The reason for its closure is that since the former organiser has moved away, no one has been found to take on the role. Many thanks go to all the volunteers who have kept it running for so many years.

Youth Club

On Friday 3rd October Youth Club welcomed Humberside police to talk to the children about road safety. They covered the importance of wearing seat belts, cycle helmets, and taking care when crossing the road. The engaging, interactive session was aimed perfectly at the ages of our children and they hopefully have come away with the important messages in their minds. A great platform for future discussions at home and school surrounding cycle, skateboard and scooter safety as many venture out for the first time.

Our October sessions have seen lots of Halloween craft, a Halloween costume donation and purchase opportunity and a return to our wonderful traditional indoor games. Thank you to all our families for their continued support and of course our lovely volunteers, without whom, Youth Club would not be possible. We are truly grateful. Our final sessions this year are Friday 21st November and Friday 5th December with our 2026 dates lined up. Youth Club will generally fall on the third Friday of the month but we will keep families posted on any exceptions and bonus dates. We are also looking to host a family film night for the children in collaboration with the Film Club, watch out for the details! Thanks again for all your support as Youth Club approaches its 2nd Birthday!

Village Hall News (Continued)

Community Garden

After a very dry summer the plants around the Village Hall and new library border were kept hydrated and healthy by our dedicated garden volunteers.

We've recently cleared the pots to make way for Spring bulbs which will give us a riot of colour after the dark winter days. Watch this space....

Further 'jobs for the weekend' (as Monty would say) will be to replant the saved daffs from last year into the library border and to remove the annuals which are giving us the last of their colour. Any 'budding' gardeners out there that can spare an hour or two a month would be welcome to join our friendly team of volunteers

Toddler group

Playgroup continues to run each alternate Friday during term time and is designed for children from babies to pre-schoolers. This is a great place for children to socialise and let off some steam and for parents/carers to have a cuppa and a biscuit and speak with other adults. Playgroup is a lovely informal group run by local volunteers. The group asks for a donation of £3 per adult and child and 50p for each additional siblings to cover running costs. The next sessions will take place on Friday 24th October and Friday 7th November. More information can be found on the Facebook page: Ellerton and Aughton bumps, babies and tots.

Upcoming Events

Thank you for supporting the village hall events this year. Our next big event is the Christmas Fair on Saturday 29th November. Please get in touch if you would like to help in any way. Baked goods can be left in the hall on the day, and tombola prizes can be left in the box in the old porch any time. Please see the attached flyer for details of the other festive fun things going on in the villages.

The Village Hall is available for anyone to hire. See website or e-mail for availability and rates: ellertonvillagehallbookings@gmail.com

Please keep an eye out on the notice boards, on our website and on social media for updates. Facebook: "Ellerton and Aughton Community Hall'.

Feel free to get in touch with us with any enquiries or suggestions.

E-mail: ellertonandaughtonvillagehall@gmail.com

Website:

https://www.hugofox.com/community/ellerton-aughton-community-village-hall-16323/home/

Aughton Church News

Aughton church has been awarded a grant from the ERYC UK Shared Prosperity fund. The grant will be used to upgrade the church kitchen, new oak storage cabinets in church and two new interpretation boards to give visitors details about the history of the site and the surroundings. It will be several months before everything is completed.

Thanks go to Kevin O'Neill as there is now a beehive in the churchyard to support the environmental conservation of the graveyard and the meadows.

Upcoming church events:

Saturday 6th December 2pm-Christmas Concert with the Weighton Waytes.

Sunday 7th December 4pm-Christingle.

Saturday 20th December 2pm-Christmas Family Service. Aimed at the children, but everyone is welcome

Wednesday 24th December 9.30pm-First mass of Christmas.

Parish Council News

Been a while since the last Newsletter so will touch on a few subjects that have been discussed by the PC, for anyone not seeing the meeting minutes at the time.

Yorkshire Water Drainage Improvement Works (Ellerton)

There are still issues with the Ellerton Village drainage and sewage systems. We believe that YW are now looking at a possible long-term solution regarding the Water Treatment Plant on Back lane, and also looking to secure funding to address the issues at the Pond Pumping Station.

Riverside Path

An application was made by the PC via ERYCC to have the Riverside path that links access between the Bubwith section and the East Cottingwith section, included in the Definitive Footpaths Map. This application along with many other submissions is still in the process of Judicial Review.

Christmas Tree

The PC will once again be providing a Village tree to be positioned adjacent to the pond. The lights have been provided by the Village Hall Committee.

Dogs

A reminder that the Parish is covered by a "Public Spaces Protection Order" which requires all dog foul to be removed from Public Spaces forthwith, failure to do so makes the person in charge of the dog guilty of an offence. For clarity, if you are walking your dog, anywhere where the public also have access to, any Dog Foul should be removed, placed in the bins provided or taken home with you.

We would also request that when out walking your dog/dogs they are always kept under control, if livestock or nesting birds are in the area, "under control" is preferably on a lead. Please keep to the agreed/designated footpaths, rights of way etc.

Community Payback

The PC are to seek advice from the above scheme with a view using their services for certain jobs within both Ellerton and Aughton. Tasks suggested including tiding up the footpaths by clearing grass that has encroached onto the paths and reinstating back to their original width.

Cow Pasture Lane

ERYCC Highways have been contacted and a request made for repairs the Cow pasture Lane (Donkey Lane) A highways representative is to visit and assess requirements.

If you wish to add anything to the next newsletter, please e-mail: <u>ellertonandaughtonvillagehall@gmail.com</u> or put a note through the village hall letterbox.