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Parish Council News - Dawn Parker

Happy Easter everyone!

Thank you to everyone who attended the annual Parish Meeting. This meeting is held annually as although every Parish Council meeting is open to the public, legally we are also required to hold one specific public meeting and invite parishioners to come forward with any questions, comments or suggestions.

This year we used the meeting to also follow up with a flood update and we were very pleased to welcome Ross Marshall, who is part of Notts County Council Flood Team. Our District and County Councillor, Roger Jackson also attended.

Notts County Council is a key part of the patchwork of parties involved in managing flood issues and has the role of the Lead Flood Authority. This means that it is the responsibility of Notts County Council to coordinate the response to flooding and flood risk. That includes engaging with local communities to ensure that local knowledge is used. Ross is a key person within their flood team who visits communities and he is able to help and support us in collating information, assessing improvements and repairs and coordinating with other key parties. So, by way of a recap the authorities with a responsibility for managing flood risk are:

- Notts County Council: the lead flood authority
- **The Environment Agency:** deal with river flooding and tributary flood risks (the River Trent and the Dover Beck).
- Internal Drainage Board (IDB): responsible for managing certain key dykes in Hoveringham. These are Causeway Dyke, Flagg Dyke, Springs Dyke and Spitalwood Dumble. The IDB also implement outflows and balancing measures for those- you will have seen those big outflow pipes if you walk around the big lake. I have attached two maps of the adopted dykes in Hoveringham (one with the names more clearly marked) as this came up as a question at the meeting. Please note that not every ditch in Hoveringham is someone else's responsibility, many are the responsibility of the "riparian owner"- see below.
- **Severn Trent:** responsible for managing the risk of flooding to water supply and sewerage facilities and flood risks from the failure of their infrastructure.
- **Highways authorities (VIA):** responsible for highway drains and verges. The Parish Council has met with VIA to look at some problem areas for highway drains and we are taking this forward.
- **Riparian Owners:** There are numerous drainage ditches, becks etc that are the responsibility of the riparian owner. Please go to <u>https://thefloodhub.co.uk/riparian-owner-toolkit/</u> to assess if a ditch that borders your property could be your responsibility.

• YOU It is YOUR responsibility to protect your property from flooding and to ensure you have suitable flood equipment ready to protect your property as needed. The Parish Council has tried to be a proactive support, but our supplies are limited and should not be relied upon. Hoveringham is in a floodplain and this means we must be prepared. There are lots more hints and tips in the February edition of Hov News which you can access here: [February Hov News]

So the following action points have arisen from the meeting:

Ross has offered to help us to compile an up-to-date flood map for Hoveringham so that we can identify:

- a) Problem areas in our network of waterways- whether these are unadopted ditches, drains, highway drains etc.
- b) Who is responsible for dealing with those. This enables us to identify which party to contact if an issue arises with that drain/dich etc.
- c) Potentially whether there is anything that can be done to improve our flood risk.
- d) How we can address this in a way that does not bump the problem to someone else. As a community we must ensure that what we do is understood and agreed with the wider body of flood authorities.

It was explained to us that ditches with vegetation is not necessarily an issue as long as the vegetation and the ditch is helping to soak up water; we do not need super-clear ditches because we do not want the water to flow too quickly through our waterways as this will itself cause a flood as it will very quickly back up if the Trent can't take the water. The issues we need to spot is where flooding is being caused, which used to be managed.

We will be arranging to get some large-scale up-to-date plans of Hoveringham and we will then be having a meeting with Ross in order to mark that up so the assessment process can begin. We will also use the drone footage that was obtained previously- which continues to be invaluable.

So, what can you do?

- 1. A lot of you have reported specific issues to us already but if you haven't, we need to know. Is there a ditch that used to be effective and now is so blocked it is causing an issue? Has part of a ditch been diverted or been removed and you have seen that this has now caused an issue? Are highway grills or culverts blocked? Having observed the recent flooding, do you think that any new measures would help (we already have a couple of suggestions we are pursuing).
- 2. Please ensure you report any internal flooding you have had *to Severn Trent if it is from drains, to the Environment Agency (river flooding) or to the County Council (highways flooding or anything else). Internal flooding includes cellars. We understand that grants only apply if the flooding is of habitable areas but the fact that there has been flooding of internal areas strengthens the case for funding of flood alleviation assessments and measures. We have been assured by the County Council that this information is treated as confidential and is not disclosed.

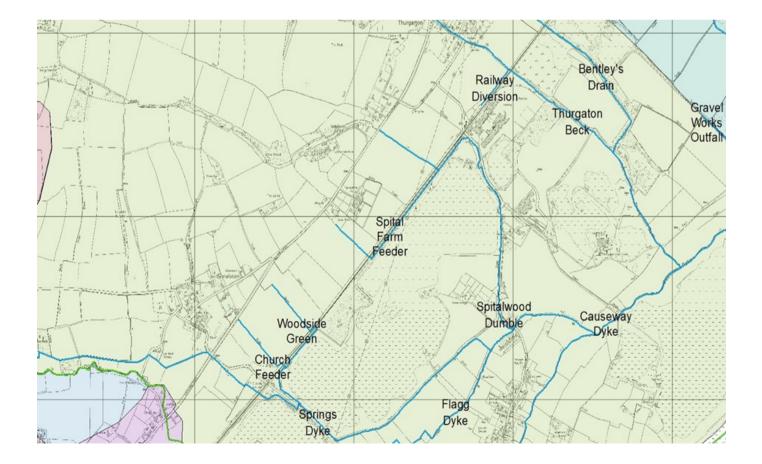
(for example) as part of estate agent/ conveyancing enquiries to the council. We received the same assurance from both the Environment Agency representative and the Severn Trent representative at our January flood meeting.

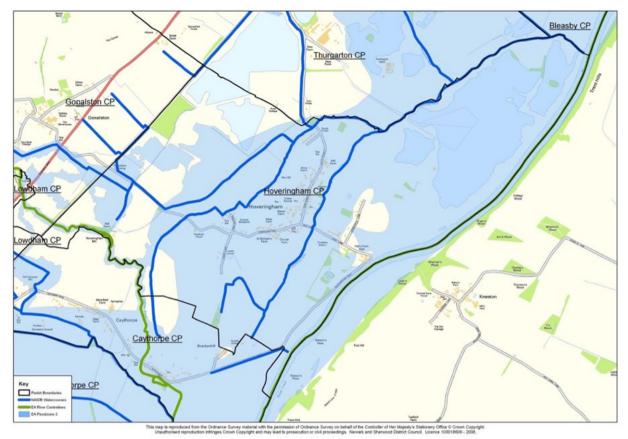
3. Would you like to be involved and become a flood warden? We are looking at sorting out flood warden training now. We have already had flood wardens attending road closure training and we are in the process of setting up our own road closure scheme which should minimise the bureaucracy around road closures in the event of flooding. If you would like to be a flood warden, please get in touch with any Parish Councillor or put a message on the WhatsApp flood group.

What's Next?

Adam Greest from Severn Trent will be attending the Parish Council meeting in April (Tuesday 23rd April) to give us an update. Please ensure if you had issues with drains you report them and complete the survey that was included in the January Hov News (Jan Hov News)

Here are the maps showing the adopted (internal drainage board adopted dykes in **Hoveringham:**





https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/media/newark-and-sherwood/images-and-files/flooding/parish-flood-maps/Hoveringham300small.pdf





HOVERINGHAM RALLY & SHOW 26 th May SUNDAY from Noon

Vintage Tractors & Cars - Crafts FAMILY FUN DOG SHOW + RING EVENTS BAR & FOOD - A GREAT DAY OUT! *BRASS BAND*

Entrance £6 Children under 14 FREE

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16th March 2024

Thank you to all who attended Hoveringham's first craft fayre and in particular the residents who provided some fabulous cakes, all of which went down extremely well.

The hall looked great decked with 25 tables of hand made crafts, not found on the high street, and at very reasonable prices.

The footfall could have been a little better but overall it was a great day and provided the hall with funds of £700 towards it's upkeep.

Many thanks to the crafters who attended and to the village hall craft fayre team who organised the event: Dawn, Jo, Katie, Maria, Nadine, Janet, Rob and a special thanks to Helen Nall who supplied the banners.

Also a big thankyou again to the cake makers and our kitchen team serving teas, coffee and cakes plus everyone who had a go on the Easter raffle. Your presence was and continues to be much appreciated.

We hope to have another fayre later in the year with a festive theme, details at a later date.





Joyce Rick 07929 328207

The Minkley Club Draw





Hoveringham Village Hall is available to hire please visit website for details.

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Wedding receptions - private parties etc.

Special Occasions and events, funeral receptions etc.

Open Water Swimming in Hoveringham - Cadi Lambert

Membership for swimming is £12 per year and it costs £6 for each swim once you've joined. (discounts are available).

For more information on the lake and how to join......

visit: Nottingham - LoveOpenWater Swimming, or contact Cadi on 07834549523.



Hoveringham Autumn Show
We are looking for new people to help organise the autumn show, not a lot of commitment but we want the show to continue into its fifties.
Thanks
Alex Allan



HOVERINGHAM CRAFT FAYRE 16TH MARCH

Hoveringham WI



The February meeting was an extremely informative talk given by Janice Holmes of Janice Rose Lingerie. Janice explained that she had worked for M & S for 34 years but was made redundant so set up her own business in Sutton-on-Trent.

She now employs 5 ladies and offers a full bra fitting service with sales. She has also visited Gambia where she fits and supplies Bras to the ladies.

The March meeting was a talk by Andy Smart who used to work at the Evening Post and edited the Bygones section, his talk was about the history of Nottingham.

Artisanal Chocolates demo and sales table will be our April meeting very apt as so close to Easter.

The May meeting will be our AGM, currently we have 21 paid up members and enjoy a wide range of talks and social time. We welcome visitors to try before you join at a cost of £3.

Five members attended the Spring Council meeting for Notts Federation WI at the Minster School Southwell our morning speaker was Ann Jones National Chairwoman of the WI and the afternoon speaker was Gill Thomas a past contestant on the Sewing Bee TV programme. She has an upper limb difference so explained how she started sewing and her eventual appearance on the show and how sewing with one arm in public was a huge personal challenge to her.

This year at the Tractor Rally is on the 26th May the WI will be running the Tea and Cake stall. Any donations of cake or help on the day will be greatly appreciated.

Although we will take a small percentage out of the takings of the stall this goes to pay for speakers at our meetings the majority of the money will go to the HVVS group to be donated to Charity the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance is always one of the Charities helped. We will also have our usual plant stall.

Diane Yates

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The WI are as usual selling plants at the Tractor Rally in May and would welcome any plants you may have surplus to your requirements.

For information please contact Valerie Parker tel: 0115 9665899





Children's Easter Egg Hunt at Chapel Field Play Park on Easter Sunday opens at 11am

Please bring your Easter basket.

Please leave some eggs for other children as some eggs will be easier for little children to spot -we'd suggest a max of 4 little eggs or 2 big eggs per child.

Happy Easter from Hoveringham Parish Council!





There have been many developments at Hoveringham CC over the winter. With 12 new signings joining the club, two new captains in place and a new chairman. We would like to thank the village for their support in construction of the new net, in line with this, All Stars cricket will be happening once again on Thursday evenings from 16th May. We would encourage all under 11s from around the area to get involved.

Adult matches start on 20th April with the league games being played every Saturday from 4th May. This year we are also hosting the MCC Foundation on Sundays, this is a charity supporting state school children into playing cricket.

Contact Patrick Dobb at 07870677401 or email at chairman@hoveringhamcc.com if you want to play or get involved in All Stars Cricket.

Minkley Winners:

February

£100 to Alex and Sue Allan £50 to Phil and Chris Newton £25 to Robert Appleby



March:

£100 to Colin Bailey

£50 to George and Joyce Allwood

£25 to Robert Thompson

Please get in touch with Dawn with your bank details for payment if you have not received your winnings (if we have your details we will have paid you)

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAMS

THE POLICE REQUEST THAT ALL CRIMES BE REPORTED AS IT HELPS WITH THEIR

INTELLIGENCE

Our Beat Officer is PC Dawn Adams assisted by PCSOs - Keith Crowhurst 078897 02823 and Rachel Swinney 07917 243243

To contact the Police:

Team Phone number and non- emergencies or to report an incident that has already

Happened: 101 – Ext 805 7062 Emergencies only 999

Antisocial behaviour team Led by Terry Bailey 01636 655488

To alert your neighbours to any suspicious activity, use: hovwatch@googlegroups.com

To join Hovwatch please contact Rob Duffy (robduffy5@yahoo.com) or email details to: news@hoveringham.net



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Members of the public are welcome to attend Parish Council meetings, to address the meeting it is requested that the council is given prior notice as the item needs to be added to the agenda, which is published a week before the meeting.

Articles for Next issue Please send to:

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Thank you!

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