

# Warbler



## A View from County Hall



NYCC are now working under "Business Continuity Plans". These are the plans we have in place to ensure that in the event of an emergency, service delivery continues and ensures that the most vulnerable in our society are cared for. These plans have now been enhanced to take account of the latest global COVID-19 outbreak. We have taken the lead for broad partnership preparation and planning including multi-agency meetings with Public Health England, the NHS and District Councils.

I have been very moved by the generous offers of help received including everything from accommodation and food preparation to young people willing to give their time to support the older generation - what a fantastic community we live in and thank you all for stepping up to this unprecedented challenge. It's important to remember that at the moment although it may seem very difficult, we are not a community in crisis and as such, it is better to plan carefully than be reactionary. I realise that if you don't see what is going on behind the scenes, it is easy to think that nothing is happening and so I wanted to reassure you that we are working hard to co-ordinate offers of help. This is being undertaken by our Stronger Communities team which was originally set up to fill in the gaps left by a shrinking council budget. This team have now been directed towards dealing with the effects of Covid-19 at a specifically local level and as such, they are building a structure from which the established voluntary sector can work within and where individuals and "pop up" groups can pool resources sustainably. You can find more details here - <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19-community-support>

It is important that we identify vulnerable people within our community and you at street level are instrumental in doing this. Sadly, Police and Local Government have warned that people are already being targeted by scammers exploiting the crisis, such as by impersonating health officials, by offering to collect food or medicines, or by selling counterfeit supplies. I will soon be posting details of the approved voluntary services set up in our area however, if you need help now, please ask a relative, trusted friend or neighbour in the first instance. Perhaps you are a member of a local club or church group that have set up volunteers for the most vulnerable. The county council customer service centre is now set up to provide support for those people who have nobody and find themselves in desperate need of help. This can be accessed by calling our hotline on 01609 780780 where the team will sign post you to the right support and ensure you are provided with the care you need. If you would like to talk to me direct to raise a concern, my contact details are below.

I will of course continue to keep you informed on this rapidly changing situation. Take care, stay safe, follow the Government guidance and we will get through this.

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On Thursday 19th March, the first meeting of the 'Wolds Valley Help the Community Group' took place at the Blue Bell in Weaverthorpe. This group's aim is to offer help to those of you who are Self Isolating or live on your own and are struggling to access the things you need to survive such as food and medication. Don't be alone in this time of crisis. Help is at hand. Read the poster on the back of this newsletter and see how we can help you.

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### BUS INFORMATION



#### COASTLINER

We'll be making temporary changes to its bus timetable from Monday 23rd March. The company will be running to a Saturday timetable during Monday to Saturday, and normal Sunday timetables on Sundays.

Contact 01653 692556 for further details.

#### EAST YORKSHIRE BUSES

From Monday 23 March, in response to the coronavirus pandemic, we'll be temporarily changing our timetables. Most services will run to a Sunday timetable, but with extra early morning journeys to allow workers to travel. Routes which don't normally have Sunday buses will also have a special timetable. Contact 01482 592929 for further details.

### Don't forget the following Websites :-

Luttons & Weaverthorpe (<http://luttonsandweaverthorpe.ryedaleconnect.org.uk>)  
Kirby Grindalythe & Duggleby (<http://kirbygrindalythe.duggleby.ryedaleconnect.org.uk>)  
Foxholes with Butterwick Parish Council (<http://foxholeswithbutterwickpc.co.uk>)  
All Saints Church, Wold Newton ([www.allsaintschurch-woldnewton.com](http://www.allsaintschurch-woldnewton.com))



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The Wolds Valley Warbler provides a means of communication between the communities of: Wharram-Le-Street, Duggleby, Kirby Grindalythe, West Lutton, East Lutton, Helperthorpe, Weaverthorpe, Butterwick, Foxholes and Wold Newton.



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## Wolds Valley Benefice

There will be no church services in the valley, however ALL the churches are open, and you are welcome to call in for peace and quiet. I will put some special prayers in each church.

At 10.15am every Sunday, each church (that has bells) in Southern Ryedale, will ring them as a sign of prayer and hope for our communities.

Although I cannot visit you in person, please feel free to ring me at any time if you need a chat or have questions. If you know of anyone who would appreciate a call, please let me know either by phone: 07544 705064 or by email: [andy@woldsvalley.plus.com](mailto:andy@woldsvalley.plus.com)

With love and prayers, Andy

## St Nicholas's Church Benefice, Butterwick

### CORONA VIRUS CRISIS

Full guidance and further information is available at

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches>

St Nicholas's Church Benefice, Butterwick

There will be NO further Sunday or midweek public worship in our Churches until the above guidance changes.

This includes Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. To fall in line with the Government guidance issued. All other group meetings organised by the Church should cease, which should include home groups, even if they do not meet on Church premises.

## All Saints Church, Front Street, Wold Newton

Due to the current situation, all the normal services at All Saints' Church are suspended until further notice. Please contact the Rev. Barbara Hodgson (01262 470873) for any further information regarding special services such as funerals, weddings etc..

All Saints' Church will continue to be kept open during the day. Contemplative peace and worship have taken place there for over a millennium and you are very welcome to come as individuals to share the peace therein and commune with God – or yourself.

We will always endeavour to be a place of sanctuary.

## St Leonard & St Mary's RC Church, Malton

It was decided to postpone the Mother's Day Mass scheduled for Friday March 20 at St Mary's RC Primary School, Malton, due to the ongoing situation regarding the Coronavirus. The school is connected to St Leonard & St Mary's RC Church, Malton, and Mass will be celebrated later in the year.

World Day of Prayer: Thanks to all who supported the World Day of Prayer Service at St Leonard & St Mary's RC Church especially those who worked behind the scenes.

The Churches Together in South Ryedale weekly Lent Lunches held in Malton and Norton churches each year in aid of Christian aid have been cancelled. It is hoped that there will be an event later in the year to support Christian Aid.

The Easter Fair in Pickering on March 28 has had to be cancelled as the RVS centre is having to close due to the epidemic.

Ryedale Christian Council, conscious of the threat to participants, has postponed its Climate Change Conference on April 25 at Lady Lumley's, Pickering. It is hoped to be able to re-schedule the conference for early November although this date will depend on the progress of the virus.

An organiser said: "We regret this postponement and the inconvenience caused but believe it to be the right decision."

Also cancelled was the Paddy's Night music session at the Steam and Moorland Garden Centre, Pickering, on Friday (March 20) and also the Ampleforth Abbey, Schola 50th Anniversary Concert on Saturday.

## Wharram Le Street

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH WHARRAM



Just to remind you that there is a large selection of books in St Mary's Church for everyone to access. There are getting to be rather too many books at the moment, so please come and stock up before we have to have a cull, which would be a shame.

More importantly, there is a collecting box for the Malton Food Bank at the back of the church and they are going to be under enormous pressure in the coming months to help those who cannot afford food on a weekly basis never mind stocking up. So out of care for your fellow man at this difficult time coming up, if you are able, please pop a few items into the church for the Food Bank. Thank you

### WHARRAM PARISH COUNCIL

I would like to give a massive thanks to my fellow council members as well as Richard Megginson and Jacqui Scott for our big litter pick on Sunday 9th. We collected 31 bags of litter from the village sign on the main road down to Cow Cliffe Hill. Please let me, or any of our council members, know if you would like to help with litter picking as there are still areas that need to be addressed.

We have also managed to get road name signs made for Station Road and Salents Lane and they will be erected in the next few weeks.

Big thanks also to Andrew Williamson for taking down the benches on the triangle. They have lasted ten years but were now unfortunately becoming unsafe. He also has made the village sign on Station Road more sturdy as it was, as you know, broken.

At least we have all received compensation from Northern Power for our recent power cuts however the parish council are still in contact with them on your behalf regarding future steps that need to be taken to ensure these do not happen frequently in the future. We are currently in the process of creating a Whatsapp for Wharram so that people can communicate items regarding our parish that

they would like to mention. If people want to access Whatsapp could they text 07976080509 with their first name and surname.

VIRUS ISSUES.

Anyone in Wharram who is experiencing difficulty in accessing services or getting provisions can contact Kate Megginson 01944 768218 who is coordinating assistance.

Roger Kay (01944 768541)  
Wharram Parish Council.

### LITTER PICK

The following is an extract from an article in the Gazette & Herald.

"Travelling on the road from Wetwang to Malton enjoying the wonderful Wolds views my pleasure was constantly distracted by cans glinting in the sun and other rubbish.

All that I thought about was how have we become such a filthy uncaring country, that was until further along the road I noticed bulging sacks piled in twos and threes and then a wonderful site just before North Grimston - a team of men and women picking up the rubbish and filling the sacks ready to be removed.

It seemed inadequate to simply wave and give a thumbs up sign, these were people who have given up their time on a Sunday to clear up a lovely country road and they should be acknowledged for their hard work caused by uneducated and unthinking travellers.

It's time that there was a way to enforce the law by taking details of cars and bike riders we see throwing out rubbish and reporting them.

Well done to the B1248 clear up team. Perhaps the Gazette and Herald should do a feature on them. I'm sure they've a story to tell about the stuff they have picked up".

As the roads are very quiet perhaps during the next few weeks volunteers could do some litter picking. This is something that people are not in close proximity to one another and lovely to be out in the fresh air. Equipment is available from Ryedale District council or Duggleby and Wharram have some clippers of their own.  
Kate Megginson

## Kirby Grindalythe



### Kirby Grindalythe Luncheon Club

It is with great regret that due to the uncertainty arising from the spread of the Coronavirus we must suspend the Luncheon Club until further notice.

## Wold Newton

The Community Centre will be closed after Friday 20th March. Contact Judith (01262 470368 for up to date information.

# Foxholes

## FOXHOLES COFFEE MORNINGS AND LIBRARY



April 11th & 25th

### CANCELLED

In light of the government's guidelines regarding social distancing to try to slow the spread of coronavirus, we have decided to suspend the library and coffee morning until June when we will review the situation.

We realise that the reading material on offer is important to many people and if you need some reading, [or a jigsaw, we have plenty of those,] perhaps because you are self isolating, or maybe because you now find yourself with no social outlets, please contact me at mon.q@me.com or via facebook if you have it, and we will do our best to find you something to read.

We will review the situation regularly and if the guidance changes we will let you know.

## FOXHOLES COMMUNITY HALL

### Corona Virus crisis

The trustees of Foxholes Community Hall have reluctantly taken the decision to close the Hall for the duration of the present corona virus emergency crisis. This in line with Government advice to stop non essential social contact with people. All classes, activities, social gatherings and private parties can no longer take place at the Hall until the Government relaxes its advice when the crisis is over.

We look forward to better and normal times when we can open the Hall and continue with our varied programme of activities.

In the meantime we would like to thank all our supporters and friends who attend the Hall for their support over the last 4 years and we look forward to welcoming you all again, hopefully soon.

# Weaverthorpe

## YORKSHIRE WOLDS GLAMPING

I own the Glamping site in Weaverthorpe which has pretty much closed now until further notice. It's 1.5 acres of land and I want to offer the use of the land / fire pits / BBQ area to any elderly or at risk people or frazzled NHS workers who want to have a change of scene in complete isolation. Strictly one couple / household at a time with 72 hours between uses. I can't offer the use of the toilet facilities I'm afraid or the kitchen because of the risk of cross contamination but the land is yours to enjoy and the flowers will be beautiful over the coming weeks thanks to my mum the gardener. If you want to use the space then call me to book a date Tracy 07866 606947

## Weaverthorpe Brunch Club



Sadly the Brunch Club is now closed until further notice. Thanks to all of you for the support you have given us and we hope to be serving you your favourite brunches in the not too distant future.



At the weekend we announced that The Blue Bell Inn would look to offer our a takeaway service. This would be to both support our local community and our business financially in terms of revenue... However, after careful consideration, we have decided that we will no longer be offering a takeaway for at least two weeks (we'll review the situation on an ongoing basis). The next week or two it seems are CRITICAL if we are to suppress COVID-19.

Why not? The simple reason is because even with all our efforts to deep clean, wash, sanitise and maintain social distancing, we simply do not have the in-depth knowledge, understanding or tools to reassure either ourselves or our customers that we are in 'control' of the virus. To offer a takeaway service, would, we feel, be the wrong thing to do right now. There is a great deal of information and misinformation out there but we do not know with total certainty which is correct or misleading. For example, we have been informed that the virus can be spread via packaging...it's simply a risk we are not prepared to take!

Our priority is to safeguard ourselves, the vulnerable and those who live in the community. Only then, with every effort to prevent the spread of this horrible disease, can we at least say that we did our utmost help save lives, prevent the spread, and get back to some sort of normality.

We ask for your continued understanding on this and cannot emphasise enough just how important this should be to us all...

Take care,  
Karl, Julia, Katie and of course Elsie xx

## Advice on Cold Calling

We have been provided with advice for how to deal with Cold Callers on your doorstep, from the Yorkshire Local Councils Association. For those who wish to refer to it, it has been posted on the parish council's website. <https://luttonsandweaverthorpe.ryedaleconnect.org.uk/>

Weaverthorpe Parish Council

## Weaverthorpe Village Hall

# 100 CLUB

Just to let you know that the Winning Numbers for the March, 2020 'Draw' of Weaverthorpe Village Hall 100 Club were - 70 (£20), 67

(£10) and 62 (£5). Well done to the winners.

Sorry if your number did not come up.

Further good news. My plea for a take up of additional numbers bore some excellent fruit - we now have 76 members. Many thanks to those who added to their existing portfolio of numbers.

We still have 24 'spare' numbers - wouldn't it be great if we could actually get to 100 members!!

We are unsure when and where the next draw will take place as the Brunch Club is now closed. We shall advise via email or the next Warbler.

Martin Pearce

## Weaverthorpe Village Hall



It is with great regret that we have to announce the closure of the village hall to all users until further notice. We will keep you informed of any changes and look forward to seeing you all in the near future.

Thank you for your understanding.

Keep safe.

The Village Hall management committee.

Contact Trevor Thomson on 01944 738804 / 07972 132158

[weaverthorpevillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:weaverthorpevillagehall@gmail.com)

## RAREY HALT TEAROOM & SHOP



The tearoom is closed until further notice, although we can do takeaway tea &

coffee.

The shop will now be open 9am to 3pm every day although this may change dependent on government advice and staff availability. If we have to change our hours we will put something on Facebook.

## THE STAR INN WEAVERTHORPE



We are now closed until further notice. We will assess all information and guidance from the Government on reopening.

Refer to our website or Facebook for the most up to date information.

TAKE AWAYS - menu online; delivery only with payment on ordering by phone. We offer NHS/Emergency Service Discounts. Available Tuesday - Saturday 5.30pm - 8.30pm.

All events cancelled until further notice.

# Luttons



We are here to help. If you are struggling to get supplies please let us know and we will source through our suppliers.

Also we will be offering a frozen meal service. These will be home cooked foods you can store in your freezer and just heat up.

We can also deliver to you great wines from our suppliers at reasonable prices.

Need more info on any of these options please call Stevey on 07398201270 or Tony on 07398 201260.

Lastly please follow the government's advice to keep everyone safe.

## WEST LUTTON PLANT SALE



West Lutton Plant Sale in aid of St Mary's Church

It is with considerable regret that we feel we must cancel the spring plant sale this year, because of the coronavirus risk.

Our sincere thanks to everyone who has supported this event, donating plants, compost, pots, cakes, books, time and effort - all given so kindly. We hope that it may be possible to do something similar again, but for now we must follow advice, and avoid risks for all.

With apologies and thanks

# Hello - Are you Self Isolating? Can we help?

## We are part of the 'Wolds Valley Help the Community Group'.

If you do not already have someone who can deal with all the things you need then we have created a single point of contact through which we should be able to deal with your situation.

Our co-ordinator is **Martin Pearce** -

- call him on **07971 963797** or **01944 738461**
  - Email him on [martin.pearce54321@gmail.com](mailto:martin.pearce54321@gmail.com)
- and he will see what can be arranged.

Things we can possibly help you with:

- collecting and delivering shopping - leaving deliveries on the doorstep or safe place to avoid close physical contact;
- suggesting local shopping options and trusted suppliers e.g.
- collecting and delivering prescriptions if you are the nominated person registered with the GP;
- caring for pets;
- regular social contact via telephone, FaceTime, Skype calls or other methods that will avoid physical contact (offering to call your neighbour who can't get out so they have someone to chat to on the phone could make all the difference);
- encouraging people to contact others in the same situation by linking people together;
- delivering books and magazines or materials to support hobbies such as wool for knitting or art materials;
- reassuring people with accurate and up to date advice and information;
- signposting people to other sources of help if needed;
- collection or delivery of library books
- help with schoolwork;
- collection and delivery of local Take-Away Meals;
- facilities for obtaining cash;
- taking items to the Post Office or collecting items from the Post office Delivery Point
- anything that you think may assist you just let us know and we will see what can be arranged.

*Remember - Coronavirus is contagious. Please take every precaution to ensure that you are spreading only kindness. Avoid physical contact - stay at least 2m from each other. Wash your hands regularly.  
Any items either collected or delivered will be left on your doorstep.*