

# Hayton and Tiln Parish Council NEWSLETTER



April 2021

A year ago we were already in the throws of our first national Lockdown. Who could have predicted at the time that it would take over 12 months' for us to see light at the end of the tunnel. But, light there is as the schools have returned and the retail world starts to emerge after indescribably tough times. Let's hope that sense and sensibility prevails to ensure that we can all get back to life as we know it in the very near future.

I think it's important to acknowledge that we are now at this point because of the amazing success of the UK's vaccination programme. We are so fortunate to have our NHS and the thousands of dedicated professionals, support staff and volunteers who have worked tirelessly throughout this last year.



On Friday 9 April 2021, we were faced with the very sad news that HRH Prince Philip, our Queen's consort of over 70 years; husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, had passed away. He served our Nation with unflinching dedication and commitment, with boundless energy, grit and great humour. Not always politically correct but with honesty and integrity. Our monarchy will most definitely be very different without him, and our Queen more than a little lost.



Sue Gott, Chair

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## ST PETER'S CHURCH – EASTER EGG HUNT



Easter Sunday was a beautiful, bright sunny day – which was a blessing as we'd planned an outdoor event in the Churchyard. Bearing in mind all the regulations regarding social distancing, it was fun. It was wonderful to see so many family groups working together to find the clues which would eventually lead them to enjoying a chocolate egg. The clues were all in the older part of the Churchyard and were hidden in trees and other places which would not involve standing on the graves or gravestones. It was good to see newcomers and visitors to the Village staying to look around the Church. It seems such a long time since we have been able to hold an event due to the Pandemic. We had a great afternoon.



It is hoped that we will be able to hold our Annual Pet's Service and Harvest Festival this year. If strict rules still apply these events can be held outdoors - they were sadly missed during 2020. Will certainly keep Newsletter updated.



In the meantime, St. Peters will be opened for an hour of Private Prayer on Sunday 18th April and again on Sunday 16th May from 10.30 with Holy Communion from 11.00 until 11.30am.



**Prince Phillip.** As a mark of respect, St. Peters, on behalf of the Village, tolled the Passing Bell (to mark his 99 years) at noon on the 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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## BASSETLAW SPRING CLEAN

Bassetlaw District Council hold 'Spring Clean' events every year during the spring months which has proved to be very successful. This year Keep Britain Tidy's Great British Spring Clean will be taking place from 28 May to 13 June 2021. Everyone who has taken part, feels that they have been part of putting something back by taking pride in their local community. It's also good for personal wellbeing.

Hayton will be taking part in this event and have requested the loan of litter pickers, gloves and rubbish bags. We will provide further information nearer the time about when and where you can collect equipment. We are hopeful that we will see an increased number of volunteers this year.

# OBITUARY

## Joyce Smith

Very sadly we have recently lost one of our veteran villagers. Joyce had lived in the village for many years and was affectionately known as the 'Tomato Lady'. Joyce was an active supporter of village events and was keen to be kept informed about what was going on in the village. Our thoughts are with her family at this sad time.

## A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO RETFORD MEMORIALS

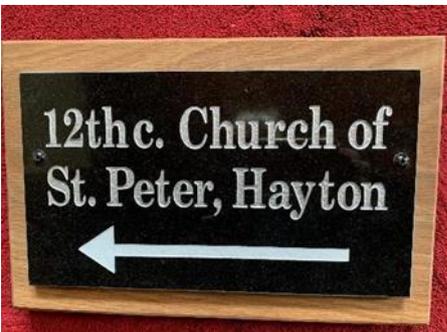


I am sure that you will all have been happy to see the daffodils heralding in Spring surrounding our unique Hayton village sign. This carved stone was gifted to the village by Retford Memorials after the mason, David Lockwood, carved it at our centenary celebrations for the ending of WW1.

David, an experienced stone mason and member of BRAM, established his business in Churchgate, Retford in 2007 but the actual yard where he does his carving is in Hayton. He has done much work on gravestones etc., in St. Peter's Churchyard. David keenly supports our village and has given prizes of memorial plaques and carved house names for several Hayton events.



Now he has donated more to our village. An elegant granite directional sign to our ancient Village Church is to be erected at the end of Church Lane. Many people wishing to visit the Church have complained that it is difficult to find (although the road sign should have given them a clue). Of course, when St. Peter's was built it was central but over the centuries the village has moved to its present position. Hopefully, this smart new sign will be helpful for visitors to Hayton.



The other sign is of local stone and is standing beneath the Pilgrim Apple tree which was planted in the Churchyard in September to commemorate the sailing of the Mayflower taking the Pilgrim Fathers to the New World and a new life where they were able to worship in the way they preferred. Once again, thank you so much Retford Memorials. EHP

## Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Please note that the date of the meeting has been changed to the **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021**. The **Annual Parish Meeting will begin at 7pm** and will run immediately into the **Annual Meeting of the Parish Council**. The meeting will be held virtually via zoom. An agenda will be posted on the website and Village Hall Notice Board in due course. Alternatively you can contact [clerk@haytonparish.co.uk](mailto:clerk@haytonparish.co.uk) for details of how to join the meeting. The Parish Council hope to be able to resume face to face meetings from July 2021.

## AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A PATHS WARDEN



As many of you may know, Howard has been the Paths Warden for both Clarborough and Hayton for over 15 years and he has worked tirelessly to promote the importance of keeping our Public Rights of Way in good order, ensuring that they continue to prosper as an asset to the Community. Howard has overseen many improvements and continues to campaign for preservation and restoration. Howard has now suggested that it is time for someone else, who enjoys and values the importance of our beautiful countryside, to take over the reigns. He will, of course, offer guidance and support in a period of handover. Ideally, we would like to be able to appoint someone at the AGM in May. If you are interested in learning more about what the role entails, please contact the Parish Clerk at [clerk@haytonparish.co.uk](mailto:clerk@haytonparish.co.uk).

On behalf of the residents, the Parish Council would like to say a big thank you Howard for his commitment to the role of Paths Warden over the years.

## VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Village Hall Committee are very pleased to announce that in line with government guidelines and following strict hygiene and distance rules we are able to re-open the Village Hall.

- Starting with a Coffee Morning on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 10-12am.
- Quiz Night 5<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm.
- Coffee Morning 26<sup>th</sup> June 10-12pm.

We hope to see all our old friends and we would like to offer a warm welcome to invite new villagers too.

## HAYTON PLAYING FIELD



We are delighted to announce that, thanks to the National Lottery Community Fund, we have been awarded a £950 grant towards a project to improve the playing field. This is a community project and as such we are looking for ideas for improvements from residents. Please contact Julie Tisi, our Parish Clerk, with your suggestions at [clerk@haytonparish.co.uk](mailto:clerk@haytonparish.co.uk)



The National Lottery supports community projects giving away more than £600 million to charities, community and voluntary groups each year.

# NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

## Neighbourhood Plan – Monthly Report – April 2021

Several key reports are now in progress – namely the Housing Assessment report and the Design Code report. These reports are being prepared by specialist consultants – Locality. This service is provided at no direct cost to the Parish with costs being met by central government for the purpose of supporting communities in developing balanced neighbourhood plans.

The Housing Assessment report examines the demographics of the area and the mix of properties available to help define the specific needs of the Parish.

The Design Code Assessment will look in detail at the character, style and type of properties in the village which will be used to ensure that any new development is in keeping with the character of the village.

In addition to these reports, the Steering Group is being trained by our support consultants, Openplan, to carry out two further assessments. These are the Green Space Assessment and the Neighbourhood Profile Assessment.

The National Planning Framework (NPPF) defines Green Space as “a network of multi-functional green space, urban and rural, which is capable of delivering a wide range of environmental and quality of life benefits for local communities.”

The Green Space Report provides a catalogue of all multi-functional green spaces and assets in the village and neighbourhood.

The Neighbourhood Profile is a document that records and presents the important features of a neighbourhood. It provides:

- a) Insight into how and why a neighbourhood has come to look and feel the way it does
- b) Identifies and describes the distinct appearance and feel of a settlement or neighbourhood
- c) Communicates the key physical features and characteristics that combine to give a neighbourhood its local distinctiveness and identity
- d) Identifies important community assets including green spaces and key local services and facilities
- e) Establishes how local people use and experience the area, and how these experiences contribute to the area's sense of place

We are looking for your participation in gathering information about the Parish – both in terms of the villages' physical assets and attributes and also about its character and what make Hayton and Tiln special to all who live here. We will publish more details of how you can help soon.

We are aiming to complete all these reports by the end of June. Once completed, they will help us to produce a comprehensive and balanced Neighbourhood Plan.

So, the Steering Group continues to work hard to ensure we have a good plan that reflects your wishes, meets the NPPF and Bassetlaw requirements and enables a thriving community for the next 15 years. If anyone has any comments, please email [haytonnp2020@gmail.com](mailto:haytonnp2020@gmail.com).

Thank you.

Peter Naylor  
Chair, Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group.

# REPORTED CRIMES OF INTEREST FOR THE BASSETLAW EAST CLAYWORTH/ STURTON BEAT AREA – MARCH 2021

The crimes of interest – incidents of burglary, criminal damage and thefts – reported for the beat area between 01/03/2021 and 31/03/2021 were –

Burglary Dwelling – 1 (Bole)

Burglary Other – 2 (Wiseton, North Wheatley)

Theft Other – 2 (North Wheatley x2)

Criminal Damage to a Motor Vehicle – 1 (Bole).

This month there has been six reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area. This compares with seven crimes reported throughout February 2021 and seven crimes in the same month last year.

There was a recent invitation from Nottinghamshire's Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, for community member dog owners to complete an anonymous online survey form, to allow the force to have a better understanding of public views on dog, and pet, theft. This survey comes after a spate of high profile incidents nationally leading experts to believe criminals are exploiting the huge hike in prices and demand for puppies during the Coronavirus lockdown. Shortly after the survey was launched, Nottinghamshire Police announced that it had appointed a Chief Inspector as the lead to tackle stolen pet crimes in what it believes is the first move of its kind in the country. It is estimated dog thefts have risen by 250% nationwide following increased demand during the pandemic. Following the appointment the force said that it will demand tougher sentences for offenders.

The Police continue to receive calls from farmers, landowners and members of the public in relation to vehicles, and their occupants, being involved in wildlife crime. These calls are encouraged. A few years ago, now, Operation Bifocal was introduced by Nottinghamshire Police to target this type of activity and behaviour.

At this time of the year, there is always an increase in the number of uninvited callers to residents' properties. The Trading Standards department advise local residents to search the [www.checkatrade.com](http://www.checkatrade.com) website for reputable tradespersons, and to always get three quotes prior to allowing work to commence. There are, however, some tradesmen who travel the country attempting to exploit the vulnerability, and generosity, of some of our local residents. These persons will attempt to negotiate a cost as soon as possible for work to be completed. Trading Standards said it would never recommend employing a trader based on a cold call. They also suggest

- **Don't be lured in by the promise of discounts, one day only offers and this deal is only available now.**
- **Don't believe the scare stories a seller may tell you – they are rarely true.**
- **Don't believe genuine companies have lots of left over products or cancelled orders.**
- **Don't leave large sums of money at home.**

As ever, the beat team will keep an eye out to look after you and your homes. The team would like to hear from any community members who would like some crime prevention advice, or even just a reassurance visit. My contact number is 07525 226838 and my E mail address is [david.airey@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:david.airey@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk)

Again, thanks, as always, for your help, interest and support, it is very much appreciated. Take care and best regards.

PCSO 8139 Dave Airey.

## A GREEN MAKEOVER

We often hear people say that when you plant a tree you never live long enough to see it in all its glory, how wrong can they be?

When Sue and I came to live at Narrow Bridge Cottage in 1985 you could see for miles from the towpath looking west over flat open fields with few trees. In the time we have lived here I have personally planted over three hundred trees and one hundred and fifty yards of hedgerow on our own property.

I organised the planting of the stand of Black Poplars in what is known as the Bull Field at the corner of Scotter Lane and Meadow Lane, I also planted around forty Ash trees in what we now call the Millennium Field. It gives me great satisfaction to hear people say how beautiful this part of Hayton is, the wildlife habitat the woodlands have created and the sound of the dawn chorus in the spring gives me a warm feeling of contentment.

When I am long gone I will rely on those who come after me to maintain what has been created, then I will surely rest in peace.

David Otter

## GARDENING TIPS APRIL

The recent temperature swings have been a sober reminder that winter weather can still strike at this time of year posing a threat to tender plants, even in a unheated greenhouse. Moreover, we have had almost no rain for several weeks and combined with strong winds, soil has dried out and containers need watering.

It is the busiest time of year for raising plants and sowing seeds is by far the cheapest method, especially if using seed saved from the previous year, but remember that for many seeds, exposure to cold aids germination. This includes biennials, perennial herbs, delphiniums and oriental poppies. Seeds can be placed in a plastic bag on damp kitchen paper or mixed with vermiculite or sowing compost and put in a fridge for about 4 weeks. The comfrey seeds that I sowed a month ago after a period in a fridge germinated within 3 weeks whereas others not exposed to cold have yet to appear. Smaller seeds are best sown thinly in open trays whilst modules or pots are better for larger ones that you can pick out individually. Plants can then be transplanted with minimal root disturbance. You should follow the directions on the packet as regards optimum temperature and the amount of covering, if any. Sow thinly and keep moist but not too wet because of the risk of damping off. Any plastic covering should be removed as soon as seedlings appear. To transplant, hold by the leaves and gently tease out. I find a grapefruit knife works well.

The Viola genus within the violet family includes the smaller flowered violas and larger flowered pansies. Most are grown as annuals or biennials but there are perennial violas that are mostly evergreen, highly scented and very hardy. They form spreading clumps 8 ins high and up to 10 ins wide so are good for ground cover below shrubs or roses. Most flower from April to September/October, They need rich free draining soil in full sun or partial shade and they look well in containers. Some varieties do not form seeds. Regular deadheading and a tidying trim in July will ensure a continuing good display. They should be divided every three years.

Hardy Fuchsias should be pruned back to healthy buds to promote new growth and Cornus and Salix should be cut back to 2-4 ins above the ground. Shrubs such as Forsythia and Ribes (flowering current) need pruning soon after flowering and winter flowering heathers need trimming. Basal cuttings can be taken from



Delphiniums and Phlox. Growing tips should be pinched out from sweet peas that can be planted out once they have a good root system, the soil has been well prepared with plenty of compost or well rotted manure and supports are in place. Runner and French beans, courgettes and sweet corn can be sown under cover whilst brassicas, beetroot, spinach, chard and salad crops can be sown outdoors or in modules indoors for planting out later. Carrots are best sown outdoors in soil or in compost in deep containers.

Roger Lloyd-Mostyn

## SEVERN TRENT – SEWER PIPE ISSUES

We have received reports that in certain parts of the village the smell of sewage is more frequent and the stench is getting worse. The Parish Council will be contacting Severn Trent to report this issue but also encourage any residents with concerns to do the same. You can report a problem online [www.stwater.co.uk](http://www.stwater.co.uk) or you can call 0800 783 4444 lines are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

## SUPERFAST BROADBAND PROJECT

The Parish Council is trying to secure funding through the rural Broadband scheme to get fibre broadband to homes and businesses in our Village.

The Rural Scheme we are applying for gives each household a voucher for up to £1,500 or £3,000 for businesses. We hope that the voucher would cover the full cost of installation, the only commitment from you would be to upgrade your package with your broadband provider.

To make this cost effective as we need as many people as possible to sign up for the scheme. At this stage there is no commitment from you, we are simply trying to obtain a quote for the cost of upgrading the connection.

We need to act fast while the scheme is still active. Further information about the scheme can be found on the website [www.openreach.com/fibre-broadband/community-fibre-partnerships](http://www.openreach.com/fibre-broadband/community-fibre-partnerships)

If you are interested in the scheme, please complete the form below and deliver to either 22 or 39 Main Street, Hayton. Alternatively you can email me at [clerk@haytonparish.co.uk](mailto:clerk@haytonparish.co.uk) providing me with your full name, address, postcode and landline number. To be included in the quote please provide details no later than the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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