

Village News



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160 more houses for North Ferriby?

Following the recent Public Examination of the East Riding Draft Local Plan the Parish Council has received a letter from the Local Authority's Forward Planning Manager relating to North Ferriby. The full letter can be viewed on our website but the following extract will be of interest to our residents:

"..... Following the overall East Riding housing requirement debate, the inspector then considered how that requirement was distributed between all the different settlements. The inspector made it clear that he did not consider that part C of policy S5 in the Plan was consistent with national policy. Part C limited or 'capped' development in the Primary Villages such as Swanland and North Ferriby to a 10% increase in the number of dwellings or 85 dwellings, whichever is the lower. You may recall that this 'cap' was introduced in the Plan to specifically address the concerns that Parish Councils such as North Ferriby and Swanland had raised about excessive development. I can assure you that we sought to defend the Plan (and therefore the wishes of the Parish Councils) as much as we possibly could, but it was clear that the inspector did not agree with our approach and we had to agree to a modification to remove that part of the policy. If we did not agree to remove part C of policy S5 the Plan would not have been found sound which of course would have meant that we would have lost any ability to defend unsuitable planning applications. In all probability we would lose the Melton appeals too.

*The implications of removing the 'cap' in the Plan are that the housing figure for 11 villages will increase from anywhere between 10 dwellings and 125 dwellings. **The figure for Swanland and North Ferriby would rise from 85 to 160 dwellings and we will have to propose new allocations to meet this additional requirement.***

*All main modifications that have been required by the inspector and/or ERYC to make the Plan sound will be published for **public consultation**. The inspector will then consider all the representations before finalising his report."*

The parish council believes that the Inspector will want to name a specific site and ERYC has proposed that the extra 75 houses over and above the Draft Local Plan allocations should be located on the agricultural land east of the village and south of Ferriby High Road, adjacent to the school site and the playing fields.

We understand that public consultation will take place in March and April and that the public examination may be reopened for a day or two to discuss the responses further. **Check our website for news about the commencement of the consultation.** The Parish Council will be objecting to proposals to increase our housing allocation further and will attend the public examination once again if it is reopened. However, we acknowledge the need to have a well progressed Local Plan in place as without one the village will be vulnerable. Without a local Plan there is a greater chance of the Melton Fields appeals being upheld.

So we will be very sensitive in how we handle this.

Housing Needs Survey

In our summer 2014 Newsletter we announced our Housing Needs Survey to assess demand for both affordable housing and housing for older people in the village as identified in the Parish Plan. The survey involved no cost to the Parish Council as it was funded by the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership. This specialist survey sought to identify residents who wish to remain in the village but also who were looking to change their type of accommodation during the next three years with a view to downsizing.

The Survey Report draft was presented at a Parish Council meeting by officers of the ERYC who described the response as "healthy" given the nature of the survey. The Parish Council has requested some clarification on some aspects, after which it will be put on the website and become a useful tool to help us influence the delivery of the type of housing residents have said that they need.

Parish Council Elections May 2015

This is the last newsletter of the current Parish Council. Nominations to stand for the Parish Council will be invited by the ERYC in



March and appropriate notices will be placed on the notice board in Coronation Gardens during March informing residents of the time frame and how to request an information pack and nomination forms. If there are more than eleven people interested in becoming a parish councillor, elections will take place on the first Thursday in May.

If you are interested in standing, or would like more information, please contact the Parish Clerk, Pat Lambert, on 631 822. The closing date for nominations to be received by ERYC is 9th April.

Old Pumping Station

Our Winter Newsletter reported that our Ward Councillor, Julie Abraham, held discussions with the ERYC Enforcement Officer over the neglected state of the Old Pumping Station.

An Enforcement Notice was placed on the building requiring the owner to remedy the condition of the property. This has now been complied with. Thank you to those residents who offered to clear the vegetation around the building.

Emergency Plan Update

The Emergency Plan that we completed on behalf of the village is now in need of updating. We are contacting those residents that originally offered help and assistance in the form of resources or specialist skills but we need to hear from you if there is something that you can offer.

We also need to hear from those residents that may be vulnerable in an emergency situation – we have added those residents that contacted us following the tidal surge but would like as complete a list as possible so that the emergency services can be directed to you.

Please take a few minutes to complete the form on page 3 and return it, in a sealed envelope, to the Parish Clerk at 20, Narrow Lane, or to the Post Office or library. Please mark it clearly for the attention of the Parish Council. Alternatively, the form will be available on the Parish Council website as a windows document which you can complete and email to nfpcouncil@nfpcouncil.karoo.co.uk.

The form is also available on the website as a pdf or editable word document.

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North Ferriby Emergency Plan – Update Spring 2015

Some groups of people could become vulnerable during an emergency: children, older people, mobility impaired, mental/cognitive function impaired, sensory impaired, pregnant women, minority language speakers

VULNERABLE PEOPLE – if you wish to be recorded as potentially vulnerable in an emergency please provide your details below:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S):

Email ADDRESS:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR VULNERABILITY:

Individuals and businesses may assist in an emergency if they have access to specialist equipment such as generators, space heaters, tractors, trucks, 4x4 vehicles, catering equipment, catering supplies, accommodation, bedding, etc

SPECIALIST EQUIPMENT – if you have equipment or accommodation that you could make available in an emergency please provide details below:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S):

Email ADDRESS:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF RESOURCE AVAILABLE (attach a separate sheet if you wish):

Community Organisations or individuals with a specialist skill such as a caterer, counsellor, medical professional etc or who are willing to act as a courier may be able to provide valuable support to those affected by an emergency situation

SPECIALIST SKILLS – if you may be available to provide care or support or act as a courier in an emergency situation please provide details below:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S):

Email ADDRESS:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SPECIALIST SKILL (attach a separate sheet if you wish):

If you live in an area that has previously flooded, and are willing to be a **Flood Warden** and check water levels, door-knock other residents etc, please give your details below

NAME:

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S):

Email ADDRESS:



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Our website is kept fully up to date with the latest Ferriby news and events. Keep an eye on Ferriby Diary - www.ferriby.info/nferribydiary.htm Local organisations are invited to send details of their events for inclusion on the website.

join our e-mail up-date list to receive notices by e-mailing:

web@nferriby.info

Humber Road Car Park

After the completion of the new flood defences at Humber Road Car Park residents living nearby drew our attention to excess water accumulating at the end of Humber Road near the car park. Initially both the ERYC and the Environment Agency were reluctant to accept responsibility for conducting remedial work. However at a site meeting arranged by the Parish Clerk representatives from both organisations agreed to undertake the work and split the cost between them. The work is expected to be undertaken in April or May. Credit goes to our Clerk for pursuing this to a satisfactory conclusion.

Long Plantation flood works

During our discussions with the Environment Agency following the tidal surge of 5th December 2013 which resulted in the construction of the new flood defences, we drew their attention to the advancing erosion of the river bank in the vicinity of Long Plantation. We asked if a way could be found to fund work to arrest the erosion in this area.

Following this request the Environment Agency has approached the ERYC (the owners of Long Plantation) with a request to carry out some works to raise the height of the riverbank at Long Plantation in order to reduce flood risks to nearby residents. This work will involve cutting back the existing cliff and increasing the amount of stone defences at the site. The work will involve the felling of a number of mature trees but overall the work is expected to be beneficial to the village.

It is not known at the time of printing if the funding is definitely in place or when the work will commence but we will continue to lobby on our residents behalf.

Gardening Volunteers required

Julie Fenton - a volunteer co-ordinator at Godfrey Robinson House in Ferriby - is looking for help.

The residents need someone to help them, for two hours a week, to set up and help maintain some raised beds for growing both flowers and vegetables.

If you are interested please contact Julie on 01482 632209, or email julie.fenton@leonardcheshire.org for more details. Your help would be very much appreciated.



Precept Frozen

The parish precept has been frozen for residents for the coming year at £60,907.

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