

Village News



Spring 2016

East Riding Local Plan

East Riding Local Plan nears its conclusion with 160 new homes for North Ferriby

The East Riding Local Plan, which determines the amount of development across the East Riding between now and 2029, has now been published after the completion of the public examination process. Residents may be aware that North Ferriby Parish Council has taken every opportunity to participate in and influence the development of the Plan. The Plan needs to be approved by the full council of the East Riding, it is anticipated that this will occur in April.

Inspector Simon Berkeley has confirmed the removal of the cap on housing development in the original Draft Plan and the establishment of an allocation of 160 dwellings in the village, including those already under construction at Wilson Close. It is anticipated that 113 of these dwellings will be on land to the east of the village. There is provision also for new playing fields in that location.

The Parish Council will now focus on the proposed development to the east of the village to ensure that it includes housing of the type that residents have told us they prefer, as it did at Wilson Close.

East Riding Local Plan also dismissed Melton Fields for housing

The Inspector considering the East Riding Local Plan, also gave his opinion on Melton Fields, dismissing the view that the site should be considered as open space and that the part of it closest to houses in North Ferriby should not be built on. He considers that it is suitable for allocation for employment purposes. He also dismissed claims that the land should not be developed due to pollution stating *"Similarly any contamination present can be dealt with through the planning application process and need not prevent the allocation of the land for employment purposes"*. The Inspector's report into the Local Plan can be viewed on our website, paras 225-229 refer to Melton Fields.

Melton Fields Update

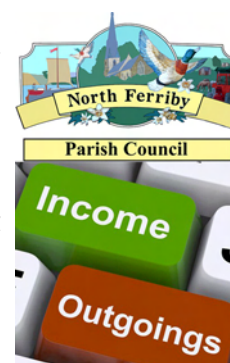
Appeal hearing into 510 new homes held

Following the Secretary of State's dismissal of both appeals relating to the proposed development of 510 or 390 dwellings at Melton Fields St Modwen lodged an appeal to the High Court. The hearing in Leeds was held in January and at time of going to print no verdict had been announced. Keep up to date by looking at our notice boards and on the Parish Council website.

Parish Council Budget

After several years of no increases in the amount of council tax collected for the Parish Council on your council tax bill, we are increasing our budget in 2016/17 by just £3 a year for Band D properties (slightly less for Band A-C and slightly more for Band E-H). This means that a Band D property will pay £39.56 a year, or 76p a week.

The main reason for the rise in our budget is because of an increase in the amount of support required from our Clerk to ensure that the Parish Council and sub-committees are operating effectively to enable North Ferriby to retain its character, have good facilities and for residents to live safely in the event of an emergency situation. Full details of the budget for 2016/17 can be found on the Parish Archive page of the Parish Council website.



VILLAGE HALL NEWS

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The Village Hall Management Committee has commenced the refurbishment of the kitchen at the Hall, including the complete gutting and refitting with all new appliances, cupboards etc, together with rectification of damp problems. Work should have finished by the end of February.

This has been partly financed by a grant from YorHub, with the balance coming from the Management Committee's fundraising activities as well as the proceeds of a raffle for a large food hamper, kindly donated by Co-Operative Funeralcare.

Redevelopment Survey

The consultation conducted around the village last autumn produced some useful information for the Village Hall Management Committee about what residents would like the Hall to provide for the community in the future. All but two of the responses supported some form of redevelopment. This was in line with the results of the survey carried out during the preparation of the Parish Plan a few years ago. Attitudes to the financing of the project were more varied, although a majority said they would support an increase in the Parish Council precept to top up amounts raised from grants, donations and other fundraising activities as a last resort if these did not bring in enough to cover the cost.

What was disappointing was the low overall response percentage of just over 2% of North Ferriby households, which the Parish Council did not feel was a sufficient basis by itself to make any long term financial commitment. The Management Committee has therefore decided that, whilst its long-term goal is to improve and increase the Hall facilities and bring them up to 21st century standards, we need to concentrate efforts at present on urgent repairs and improvements as and when finances permit. The first of these jobs is the kitchen refurbishment which is mentioned above.

Fund Raising for Godfrey Robinson Home

You may know him as the caretaker at the North Ferriby Village Hall or you may have seen him pounding the streets of North Ferriby & the surrounding area striving to maintain his fitness!

So don't just toot your horns or wave; please sponsor Paul Taylor's next marathon run, the **London Marathon**, which he is running under the Leonard Cheshire Charity banner, but every penny raised will benefit the local Godfrey Robinson home in North Ferriby.



Any business that can offer greater support can be rewarded with their name/logo appearing on his training or race gear." Please visit www.justgiving.com/paultaylorcaretaker and look out for fundraising events which will be held before the marathon in April.



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Riverside Walkway

Riverside Walkway is overseen by the Environment Committee of the Parish Council. Recently much has happened on the Walkway. The Conservation Volunteer Group have made considerable improvements to the woodland path. Trees have been thinned and new native species provided, the path cleared and tidied and bluebells, snowdrops and daffodils planted. The entrance ramp has been completely remodelled and is now much more suitable for pushchairs and disabled users. In the next couple of months we hope to have repaired the boat outline and erected a new notice board. Meanwhile a group of residents known as The Ferrymen are working on a systematic programme of refurbishing the benches, no mean feat!



We know how much this area is valued and plead with anyone walking dogs to make sure that the bags are used and the area is left clean and safe for all other users. We are lucky to have this facility and must ensure that we care for it.

North Ferriby Playing Field

The Playing Field Committee (also a sub-committee of the Parish Council) has engaged local contractors to completely resurface the car park. The worst potholes nearer the western end of Grange Lane have also been filled in. Unfortunately funds did not permit the whole of the road to be resurfaced but we continue to monitor its condition. North Ferriby United FC will be contributing a percentage of the cost of the repairs as per the terms of its lease with the Parish Council.

The Committee elected Cllr Andy Halsall to take over as Chairman last autumn. Future plans include the replacement of the dilapidated garage used for storage and, in the 2016/17 financial year, the long-overdue refurbishment of the showers in the changing rooms, which do not meet current standards and leave a less than satisfactory impression on visiting teams. It is hoped that this, and some other minor repairs, can be completed before the start of the cricket season.

Wind Turbines at Melton

ERYC has approved the erection of three wind turbines on land at Gibson Lane, Melton. There are 32 conditions to their construction and use and these can be viewed on the Parish Council website.



On contamination, Condition 31 states: - "Development shall not begin until a scheme to identify the nature and extent of contamination of the site and the measures to be taken to deal with that contamination has been submitted and approved by the local authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the requirements of that scheme".

For more information on the contamination issue see the Melton Fields Page on the Parish Council website.

In Brief

Thirteen people attended the recent **Defibrillator Training**.

Thanks to the nine people that volunteered to **litter pick** around the village. Equipment, donated free of charge by ERYC, has been handed to them.

We hope to be joining national celebrations to commemorate the **90th birthday of Her Majesty The Queen** by lighting the beacon on Spy Hill on 21st April. Further information will be available on notice boards and on our website.

Children resident in North Ferriby aged 16 or under are entitled to free admission to **North Ferriby United home league games**. They must write to the club secretary (giving their name, proof of age and home address) to obtain a free pass which they should present each time with proof of identity (as it is not transferable) to gain free entry.

Grin & Tonic – gentle exercise and fun, continues in the Village Hall on Wednesdays, 1.30-3pm. Only £1.50. Please come along

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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

Concerns over GP Surgery

Several residents have raised concerns with us about the much reduced opening hours of the GP surgery at the Village Hall.

The Parish Council has contacted Hesse Grange Medical Practice and been informed that this is a temporary situation due to the departure of one of its GPs. As soon as a replacement GP is appointed normal opening hours will resume.

Footpath Improvements

Footpath improvements to High Street will be completed during the current financial year. However as slurry sealing is weather dependent delays may be incurred. Before slurry application there will be some footway patching, raising/replacing ironwork, reconstruction of the footway and flag maintenance. If you have any queries prior to the commencement or during the work, please contact the Parish Clerk, Pat Lambert.

New Street Lighting

New street lighting for High St and Melton Road is underway. There will be a short time when both old and new columns are in place so that the new ones can be connected to the electricity supply before the old ones are removed. Work should be completed in the current financial year.

Dates for your diary

Saturday March 12th 10am – 2pm **Spring Market** in the Village Hall, with a good selection of local crafts, plants, honey, sweets and chocolates as well as the opportunity to purchase the work of local artists. There will be a fun competition and face painting for children while Mums and Dads browse the stalls, and we shall again be holding our Market Raffle as well as announcing the winner of the food hamper raffle. The sparkling new kitchen facilities will be serving lunches, tea, coffee and a mouth-watering array of home-made cakes!



On **Saturday 19th March**, Friends of North Ferriby School is holding a **Car Boot Sale** at 10am. £5 per car if booked in advance. To book, email Charlotte on stopdropandrollaround@hotmail.com. Spaces are limited and there is no guarantee that there will be any available on the day.

Saturday 9th April a **Small Business Fair** is to be held in the Village Hall to promote small local businesses. Any business owner who would like further information should contact Pauline Davies on 01482 631312 or at pauline@davies30.karoo.co.uk

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