# Village News



**Summer 2015** 

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# **Parish Council Elections May 2015**

North Ferriby was one of a few parishes to hold an election in May – we are really pleased that there is so much interest in our community to make an election necessary. A lot of parishes are struggling to find enough people to make up their councils. Our village did us proud with a turnout of over 70% - you have given those elected a clear mandate to represent you.



All those seeking re-election were successfully returned and we welcome those that have been elected for the first time. Successful candidates were

Julie Abraham Janet Brookes Lynda Dennett John Halmshaw **Andrew Halsall** Belinda Hookem Margaret Hyland John Mabbett Michael Payne Chris Swindin Chris Taylor

Contact details for all parish councillors can be found on the PC website along with their responsibilities and areas of interest.

## Thanks to our outgoing councillors

The May elections saw several longstanding councillors stand down from the parish council and the village owes them a debt of gratitude.



Wendy Dobbs and Christopher Holtby each had around 30 years' service on the parish council and were, with others, instrumental in the acquisition. conversion and maintenance of our fabulous Riverside Walkway from an extinct landfill site to what it is today. Without Riverside Walkway we would not have a publicly accessible frontage to the Humber. Numerous walkers, cyclists and dog walkers enjoy this area everyday which forms a lovely feature on the first stage of the Yorkshire



Wolds Way. Wendy and Christopher showed a keen interest in the three Bronze Age boats that were found in the mud on the foreshore between 1937 and 1963. As two of the trustees of Ferriby Heritage Trust, they were involved in the reconstruction of a half size replica of one of the boats which was successfully sailed on the Humber in 2005. They also helped with the creation of the full size boat pavement on Riverside Walkway.



During John Pickering's 26 years on the Council he has been the main link between the PC and All Saints Church, keeping each abreast of the other's activities. As such, John maintained an interest with the Youth Club that was run successfully at the Church Hall for many years. He also represented the parish council on the governing body of North Ferriby CE School. John took a keen interest in the development of the village and instrumented and analysed a whole village survey a number of years back. He was heavily involved in the development of the Village Design Statement and the Parish Plan and he served for many years on the PC Planning Committee. He was the lead in setting up the North Ferriby Emergency Plan. Continued >>

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**Brian Bannister** has been a PC representative on the Village Hall Management Committee for a number of years and was involved in facilitating the move of the GP surgery to the Village Hall. He has led on the redevelopment project of the hall and established the 100 Club. Brian will continue on the committee as a resident and will help in bringing the project to fruition.

As a member of the Riverside Walkway Committee, Brian was able to further his passion for the environment that he fostered with the Ings Field Committee and the Ferriby Conservation Society.

**David Broadbent** brought his financial skills to the parish council and took an interest in the budgeting and precept of the council. David sat on the Personnel Committee where his clear analytical skills came to the fore.

David enjoyed planning issues and sat for many years on the PC planning committee. He was a member of the North Ferriby Emergency Committee and at various times David was a member of the Playing Field Committee and the Village Hall Committee.

# Chairman's Report 2014/15



If you have taken the time to read the outgoing Parish Council Chairman's report that has been circulated to every home in the village you will know how much work has been untaken by members of the PC, the Clerk, the Playing Field Warden and by Graham Latter who hosts our website and lays out our newsletter four times a year.

Thanks go to the outgoing chairman, Cllr John Mabbett, for his three years leading the Council and for the extensive report into its activities.

If you did not read the report at the time you can still see a copy on the PC website.

# Kemp Road resurfacing

Kemp Road, Swanland, is to be resurfaced and the works will take place once the schools have closed for the summer holidays to minimise disruption.

It will be necessary to close the road between its junction with Tranby Lane to its junction with West Leys Road/Swanland Hill, commencing Monday 20 July.

The road closure is necessary to enable the works to be carried out in a manner consistent with ensuring the safety of the public. The Order is valid for 18 months, but it is anticipated that the works will be completed by Friday 24 July 2015.

The alternative route available for traffic affected by the closure will be via West Leys Road, West End and Kemp Road, Swanland. The road will be closed to all traffic but access will be maintained for the Emergency Services, pedestrians and residents of all properties directly affected by the closures.



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# **Consultation - Village Hall Redevelopment**

Many residents will be aware that for some time the Village Hall Management Committee has been discussing the future of the Village Hall and how to deal with its increasing maintenance problems.

The Committee and the Parish Council have jointly agreed that the next step is to find out what facilities North Ferriby residents would like to see the updated Hall provide, and what their views are on how the work should be financed.

A short questionnaire is being developed, together with some notes explaining the options, which you will be able to answer on line or, if you prefer, in paper form. Full details of this will be announced in the next Village Newsletter, and we hope that as many of you as possible will respond, since this will enable us to present a strong case in support of applications for grants and to other sources of funding.



# Flood defence works now complete

The final weak point in the village's flood defences on the Humber has now been substantially reinforced by works undertaken over the Spring by the Environment Agency. Work to strengthen the embankment at the bottom of Long Plantation and a robust bank of stones is now in place and will give the village additional protection. This follows lobbying from the parish council and ward councillors.



#### Keep up to date with Ferriby events LOOK ON THE FERRIBY WEBSITE

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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

# Parish Council Meetings how to find out when they are and when you may speak

All meetings of the parish council are advertised on the noticeboard in Coronation Gardens and on the parish council website. Full meetings of the Council are on the fourth Monday of the month but changed if it falls on a Bank Holiday. Planning meetings usually take place twice a month when those planning applications on the agenda will be determined by the planning committee.

Members of the public are welcome to attend any meeting of the parish council and speak at the beginning in the Public Forum slot on the agenda. Members of the public that have submitted planning applications or who wish to raise issues with the PC about a planning application that may affect them can check with the clerk as to when the planning committee will be deliberating the application.

#### **Major Planning Issues**

As this goes to print we are still awaiting a decision on the planning appeals for Melton Fields and on the proposed additional homes through the draft East Riding Local Plan.

As soon as we hear the outcomes of these significant issues for the village we will let you know on the parish council website and on parish council notice boards. Our submissions on both issues can also be found on the website.

## **South Hunsley Pool**

The Board of Directors of the South Hunsley Academy Trust is considering the future of the swimming pool at the school. An action group of residents and interested parties has been formed to make representations to the Board and members of the action group would like to hear the views of users and from anyone that has been involved in fundraising for the pool. Contact Friends of South Hunsley Pool c/o Tom Shay, 1 Beckside, Welton, HU15 1PF Tel 668 255



# **Annual North Ferriby Village Show**

The North Ferriby & District Gardeners Club will be organising the popular Annual Village Show on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July.

Do please support this lovely event and look out for the schedule of classes in the Post Office. For further information please contact Mal Cracknell on **632 282**.

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