Garthorpe and Fockerby Newsletter

September 2024 email me at garthorpefockerbynews@gmail.com

News from the Parish Council

The parish council minutes are online www.garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk

Members of the public are welcome to attend all meetings of the Parish Council as observers only, but a period of 15 minutes is allocated for a Public Forum at the beginning of each meeting.

Garthorpe and Fockerby Parish Council news.

The Parish Council have been bequeathed £5.000 to Garthorpe Churchyard to be used to make an ashes garden where ashes can be placed /buried with a plaque. The garden area will include new benches and a rowan tree, the work will start this autumn and hopefully completed early next year.

Thank you to Gary Miller for taking on the grass cutting work in the playing fields. Gary is doing a fabulous job. Where would we be without all the volunteers in the village?

The next meeting of Garthorpe and Fockerby Parish Council will take place on Friday **18.10.24** at 6:45pm at Garthorpe Village Hall.

For more information, please contact clerk@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk

Best Kept Village results 2024

Great results for this year well done everyone for your contributions our village got Highly recommended.

	Score	Position	Specific category
Small Village Group (pop. below 500)			
Low Burnham	198	1st=	Best Community Planting
East Lound	197	2nd=	
Elsham	197	2nd=	
Garthorpe and Fockerby	195	Highly commended	
Redbourne	195	Highly commended	
Amcotts	191		
Worlaby	191		
Thorton Curtis	190		
Medium Village Group (pop. 500 to 2000)			
Barnetby-le-Wold	196	1st	
Wootton	195	2nd	Best Kept Bus Shelter
Ulceby	194	3rd	Best Community Planting
Owston Ferry	193	Highly commended	
South Ferriby	193	Highly commended	
West Butterwick	192		Best Kept Churchyard
Hibaldstow	192		
Whaeby	191		
Large Village Group (pop. 2000 to 4,000)			
Westwoodside	195	1st=	Best Community Planting
Belton	195	1st=	Best Kept Public House
Goxhill	194	3rd=	
Haxey	194	3rd=	
Messingham	193	Highly commended	
Scawby	193	Highly commended	Best Kept Playground
Kirton in Lindsey	191		Best Kept War Memorial
Hutton-le-Clay	182		
Small Town Group (pop. over 4,000)			
Broughton	196	1st	Best Community Planting
Epworth	195	2nd	
Crowle and Ealand	194	3rd	
Barton Upon Humber	193	Highly commended	
Waltham	193	Highly commended	Best Kept Cemetery
Winterton	193	Highly commended	

	2023	2024	Church yard	Cem etery	Play ground	War Mem	C Plant	Pub	Bus Shelt
Small Village Group (pop. below 500)									
Amcotts	194	191	47		48	49	45	47	
East Lound	198	197					49		
Elsham	196	197	48		49		49		
Garthorpe and Fockerby	195	195	49	48	48	48	49		
Low Burnham	196	198					50		
Redbourne	195	195	48		48		48		47
Thorton Curtis		190							
Worlaby	193	191	48		48	49	46		44
Medium Village Group (pop. 500 to 2000)									
Barnetby-le-Wold	195	196	48	48	48	48	49	46	
Hibaldstow	193	192	47	48	47	44	47	46	
Owston Ferry	192	193		48	48	47	47	44/48	
South Ferriby	193	193					48		
Ulceby	192	194			48	49	50	45	
West Butterwick	191	192	50		48	48	45	48	
Wootton		195	48				48		49
Wrawby	194	191			49		45		
Large Village Group (pop. 2000 to 4,000)									
Belton	193	195	48	48	48		48	50	
Goxhill	193	194	48	48	49	47	48		
Hibaldstow	195	194	48		48	48	48		
Holton-le-Clay	182	183	48	48	48	49	30		
Kirton in Lindsey	193	191	47	48	46	50	46	48	
Messingham	190	193	47		47	48	47		
Scawby	194	193			50	49	48		
Westwoodside	196	195			49		49		
Small Town Group (pop. over 4,000)									
Barton upon Humber	194	193				47			
Broughton	195	196	47	49	49	47	50	47	
Crowle and Ealand	196	194	49	48	49/48	48/49	48		
Epworth	193	195		49	48		48	46	
Waltham		193	47	50	48	49	47	49	
Winterton	192	193					47		

Best Kept Village Marking Sheet 2024

GARTHORPE & FOCKERBY

		Points Max	Mark
1	**General Tidiness & Appearance** Litter, fly tipping, graffiti, including at bus stops & telephone boxes. General maintenance of hedges, trees, verges, fences, walls, paths and seats	50	49
2	**Community Facilities and features** Community centres, village halls, schools, parks, playing fields, churchyards/cemeteries, chapel surrounds, war memorials, public noticeboards, shops, inns, farmsteads, workshops, business premises, advertisements and signposts	80	78
3	**Gardens & Community Areas** Gardens, window boxes, hanging baskets, tubs and planters, bus shelters, community planting, public areas, and allotments	70	68
	Total	200	195

Notes
(a) Absence of a feature listed in the marking sheet will not entail a loss of marks
(b) Natural and architectural beauty will not be taken into account

General comments

The village has many attractive features and some excellent community planting.

The quality of the community planting continues to improve and was very impressive, especially given the recent poor weather conditions. Some of the best planting was at the east entrance to the village on Shore Road, where numerous planters were well-stocked with colourful flowers. At the Village Hall there was also good planting, in large metal planters, with well-chosen plants. There were further excellent wooden planters on Island Road and more on Station Road, High Street, West End and Luddington Road, where there was also good planting under the smart village sign.

Residents contribute to enhancing the local environment with attractive floral displays at the front of their properties. Good examples were found at numbers 4 and 5 Trent View Villas, Marshfield Cottages 1-4, Trent Court, Rosehill and 2 Hall Cottages on Shore Road, Amazon Cottage, Bracken Cottage, The Cottage and Don Moorings on Island Road, Croft House, Beehive Cottage and The Shires on Station Road, Mulberry Garth and Madeholme on West End, numbers 3 and 24 Margrave Lane and The Croft on Luddington Road.

The village benefits from a well-maintained large playing field which includes a MUGA and a very good playground area.

There are good noticeboards around the village. The hedges and verges are well cut and there was no litter found anywhere in the village.

News from the Village Hall

Party in the Park – the result

Huge thanks are due to all the fantastic volunteers and helpers who contributed to a wonderful day. Party in the Park would not be possible without the support that it receives from so many helpful and committed people. We are really grateful to you all. Thank you too if you supported the event by attending – it was lovely to have such a turnout.

The event raised £3144 for the village. This is our "best ever" financial result and a measure of the way the event has developed over the years. The proceeds will be put to good use: substantial donations to the Church and the Playing Field leaving a good chunk to ensure the village hall can continue to thrive and improve (see below).

Solar Panels

At last, we can see the difference the panels on the hall roof are making. They were installed in November 23. Between then and July 24 the village hall used 177 kwh of electricity from the grid and the total bill was £202. In the comparable period the previous year (i.e. November 22 to July 23) the figures were 1434 kwh and £554.

The Downs and Ups of Fund-Raising (for the new kitchen)

We were absolutely gutted to be turned down by Biffa Award (they said "we had to prioritise communities in more desperate need"). But things improved when we were awarded £15,000 from the Platinum Jubilee Village Halls Fund (established to mark the Platinum Jubilee of the late Queen Elizabeth II) and there have been more encouraging developments since. We now expect the project to get going for real later this autumn.

Using the hall for your own event

If you would like to use the hall for an event for your family or an organisation that you work

with, do please get in touch so we check the calendar, agree the hire charge and book you in. Hire charges are very reasonable and include use of all crockery, furniture and audio-visual equipment.

You can use Facebook, or garthorpevh@btinternet.com, or telephone 01724-798118, or speak to a committee member (Jonny Martinson, Jiggy Lloyd, Sam Simms, Joanne Smith, Samantha Peel, Charlie Parsonage, Emma Davies and Leona Swan.) Some of the events that take place at the hall are run by other organisations that hire the hall, and not by the Committee. For questions about these, please contact the organisation concerned.

Lucky Numbers for August

191 P & S Spilka
207 Chris Newton
101 Debbie Spruce

Maintenance Works – Keadby Canal Bridge, Station Road/Trent side, Keadby

Please be advised that Contractors working on behalf of North Lincolnshire Council are planning to undertake maintenance works to the Keadby Canal Swing Bridge located on Station Road/Trent Side B1392 (note: this relates to the canal swing bridge and not King George V Bridge on the A18). The work is due to commence **Tuesday 27th August 2024 until Wednesday 28th August 2024 with the 29th** August as a contingency in case of operational delays.
For the safety of both the workforce and the public and for operational requirements, most of the works will need to be carried out whilst the bridge remains in an open position to Canal Traffic, this means that a Road Closure at the Canal Bridge is required. The Closure will remain in place between **08:00am – 17:00pm** daily with the diversion route via A18/Crowle/Eastoft/Amcotts and vice versa. The diversion route where applicable will be signed throughout the duration of the works and advance warning signs for the closure placed on site this week

Access to all properties on Trent side and Station Road will be maintained with the closure in force either side of the canal bridge. If you have any questions regarding the closure, please don't hesitate to get in touch o on 01724 298520.

"The Gathering" a family gaming, modelling & painting event

After the school holidays, there will be a 10-week wargaming, model making/painting, diorama making and board game event in Garthorpe village hall. There will be construction and painting advice and free models available to attendees from the local area. This is an event for the whole family, and it is hoped to build a scale model of Fockerby Railway Station.

It will start at 5pm - 6pm for primary school children. (due to the nature of the equipment used they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian). It will then continue until 9.45pm for older children and adults.

Refreshments will be available. The dates are 7,14,21 October, 4,11,18 November and 2,9,16,23 December.

This event is supported by FOGOF & Clan Shots Gaming in Goole They've already provided some games. Please if you could search your sheds & attics for any 00-gauge railway bits & bobs to donate that would be amazing.

Update

A 00-gauge train locomotive like the one used at Fockerby Railway Station has been acquired but we're still looking for bits of 00-gauge track particularly two sets of points.
The event will now include dolls houses and all things related including furniture etc.
There will also be pewter toy soldier making with demonstrations of how to make soldiers from moulds.

Table Tennis club

Table Tennis is available on 11/9/24 at Garthorpe Village Hall @ 7 30pm the cost is £1.50 a session including a cuppa! Bats available and all ages welcome.

Indoor Bowls

This is normally held in the village hall every Thursday evening @ 7.30pm, we currently have 8 members and would love to increase this number. Come down and see what it's all about & we would love to see you. Cost is £2.00.

Trentside Makers Craft Group

New craft group in the village hall, every Tuesday afternoon from 1pm to 3.30pm. Donation of a £1.00, all are very welcome. It will be open every Tuesday throughout the school holidays. Contact Jules on 07443491304 if you have any questions. Lovely to see this event is growing in growing in numbers.

Victoriana's

Many thanks to Victoriana's & Fogof for funding & organising the bus trip to Bridlington. It is always a well organised day, and we are well looked after by Hornsby coaches.

A great day out for villagers and it was free for those 24 who went. We all had a fabulous time, and the sun shone all day, sand, sun, sea fish & chips, & ice cream. If you didn't go you certainly missed out!

Fish & Chip Van

Tuesday 27.8.24 & 10.09.24 from 4.30-6.30pm Village Hall carpark. On holiday on 24.9.24.

Megan & Ben are still supporting the homeless in Doncaster once a month regularly feeding 90 people. If you have any items of clothing (men women & children) that you able to donate Megan is really pleased to receive it. Please make sure it's in a clean condition & drop it at the fish & chip van. Information on Doncaster Street Hub on Facebook.

Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby

Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby still continue to support Pantry in the Isle. Profits made from this venture continue to support village events.

Also supporting "The Gathering" a family gaming, modelling & Painting event starting in October.

Many thanks for organising the coach trip to Bridlington with Victoriana's on 16.8.24 providing for a free coach trip for villagers.

FOGOF have also sponsored the 5k & 10K run on 14.9.24 raising money for Cancer Research. There will be coffee afternoon at the church to raise funds.

Work has now started on preparing for the Christmas event…. So, watch this space for details.

Please continue to support these events if you can, as FOGOF raise money to provide events throughout the year to enrich our village life.

St Mary's Church

At the Annual Parochial church meeting held in April it was suggested that we should publish the amount of money raised at coffee mornings events. Maybe this will encourage more to attend and show how every coffee counts!
St Mary's held their annual Strawberries teas afternoon. This was well supported by the regular supporters of Church events and three new visitors from outside the village which was nice to see.
For your £5 you had a choice of 2 out of three items which was Strawberries and Cream, Scone with Strawberry Jam and Cream and Chocolate Cake and unlimited FREE Tea and Coffee. This event raised £86. We would like to thank everyone who attended and donated raffle prizes.

Garthorpe & Fockerby 5k & 10K run 14.9.24

Fockerby girl with a racing dream

Last month we started to follow Eleanor Shelby (aka ESP racing) on her racing dream. She is a 7year old girl, who one day just decided she'd love to race in Motorsport and one day become an F1 driver. Hopefully we can follow her every month on her journey. Eleanor is trying out new tracks regularly now in view of getting ready for racing next year.

Well, what a week & month so far!
Eleanor raced the Honda's (which are a much more powerful engine). Got clipped on back end, then t-boned and spun off track.
Thankfully the kart was still fine and she carried on, despite having back /rib bruising!
This earned her the driver of the weekend award!!
Then during the week Eleanor had a test day at Fullbeck (new track)
We also have a potential meeting on 31st at Tattershall race track with a race team from Milton Keynes regarding racing with their team next year and Eleanor will be tried out in their newer fast kart, if this goes ahead we wouldn't have to privateer but the costs of racing with a team can be expensive so would still be looking for a couple of business sponsorships for next year.
Eleanor is improving her personal best is now 32.8 seconds per lap last weekend, & 4 months ago it was over 50 seconds!
Watch this space……
It's exciting times, we will see where the next few weeks lead.
Eleanor go fund me appeal is still open if you can help. (https://gofund.me/879b2a4f).

Mobile Library news

Next visit is due on **6.9.24 & 27.9.24** at the Bay Horse between 2.10pm- 2.30pm. (Stan is on holiday on 5.7.24)

Concerts in Garthorpe in 2024

There are 3 more concets to go in this first year of bringing music to rural areas. Please come and suport if you can.
Still to come Carrie Martin, Swinging Blue Jeans and the return of Keith James with the songs of Leonard Cohen.

Carrie Martin- Local Singer and Songwriter

Friday 23rd August @ St Mary's Church Garthorpe Entry/Tickets £13.

Carrie Martin born and bred in Yorkshire has become a very popular artist in the Folk World but also works with Oliver Wakeman the son of Rick Wakeman from the Prog Rock Band Yes and Gordon Giltrap who quotes "It's pretty obvious from the moment you hear Carrie Martin sing that she is an outstanding vocalist with passion in each breath.

Swinging Blue Jeans

Garthorpe Village Hall on-**Saturday 21st September** & Tickets £22

This band has had top hits back in the day and still touring the UK/Europe today and coming to Garthorpe Village Hall. Meet The Band: Alan Lovell. Lead Guitar / Lead Vocals Alan started his career in the early Sixties. and has toured & recorded with many named acts such as: - Marty Wilde - PJ Proby - Denny Laine to name but a few. Peter Oakman. Bass Player / Vocals Peter began his music career in 1956 with The Spacemen Skiffle Group. In 1957, guitarist Joe Brown joined the group which by 1959 became Joe Brown & the Bruvvers. During the early sixties, Joe Brown and The Bruvvers had a string of hits, including the No. 1 hit ' A Picture of You, written by Peter Oakman which topped the charts in the summer of 1962. Graham Hollingworth. Drums: At the age of 17 after playing in several northern groups, Graham soon got booked on major tours around the world playing for the likes of: - The Supremes, The Drifters, Martha Reeves, Harold Melvin, Cliff Richard & Billy Paul, 'Me & Mrs Jones'. He has also toured extensively worldwide for 15 years, playing drums with Rock 'n' Roll Legend Chuck Berry.

The Songs of Leonard Cohen

This is the final concert of 2024. Keith James will be coming back to St Mary's Garthorpe to perform The Songs of Leonard Cohen. This Saturday **19th October**-Doors open at 7 pm-tickets are £18.

Incredible Edibles Marshland

Yoga has carried on as normal up to and including the 19th of August when it takes a break for two weeks whilst the tutor has her summer break. Yoga returns on 9th September and will continue as normal throughout the autumn. This is still a very popular activity, good for mental wellbeing as well as physical wellbeing. Why not give it a try?

The August Hobby Huddle took place on the 9th of August (second Friday of the month as usual) but was only attended by 8 people as many of the regulars were otherwise engaged.

Because of the holiday period Incredible Edible tends to not hold workshops during this month as too much is going on round about so the only other event held of note was the Incredible Afternoon Tea held on 27th July (just after the last article went to press). It is the second year we have run this event and once again 50 people attended but many of these were new faces who met many new people. Bringing people together is part of our ethos which was more than delivered on this day. It

was held at Whitgift Church once again but this time the food planning, shopping and creating the finished product was done by Beatrice Rudd who wanted the opportunity to provide an afternoon tea for a large number of people. Beatrice absolutely smashed it. She became interested in cooking and catering after attending a series of cooking workshops that IEM ran for teenagers prior to Covid. Having now taken her A levels she is going to college to undertake a course in catering and if the afternoon tea is anything to go by, she will make an excellent chef or should I say, "Incredible caterer". It has been a pleasure to give her this opportunity and see her come through with flying colours. My mouth is watering now at the thought of her home-made scones, Victoria sponge and shortcake biscuits.

The home-made quiches, sausage rolls and her unique version of cheese/onion/tomato rolls were so mouthwatering too. The usual quiz was held, each team being the persons on a table (this enables people to interact with people they don't know), and the background piano playing was again provided by Clare Edens. All in all, it was a very pleasant afternoon, and the feedback sheets show it was a roaring success.

Coming in September……

· Monday 9th/16th/23rd/30th September is Yoga at Reedness Primary School 6.30 to 7.30pm £5 per session.

· Friday 6th September 7pm to 9pm – No bake sweets where two items will be "baked". Held at Reedness Primary School. Cost £16 to include all ingredients and refreshments. Just bring a box/tin to bring your creations home.

· Friday 13th September 7pm to 9pm at Garthorpe Village Hall – Hobby Huddle. Cost is FREE but raffle tickets available if required at 50p per strip for an IEM related small prize.

· Friday 4th October at Swinefleet Village Hall (7pm-9pm) is a painting taster session. Cost £10

· Saturday 5th October is a cookery session at Reedness Primary School 2pm to 4pm creating pasta products with fresh pasta. Cost £15 which includes all ingredients and refreshments.

For & on behalf of Incredible Edible Marshland.
Bridget Bramley

For full details of each event see our website, iemarshland.org, our Facebook page or posters at local information points. E-mail incredibleediblemarshland@gmail.com or text 07901165349. There is a local Whats App group Incredible Community.

My thanks to Jiggy Lloyd & the Village Hall committee, James Woodcock Clerk to the Parish Council, David Graham for St Marys Church, RBL & music events, Emma Davies for FOGOF & Bridget Bramley for IEM, Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council & Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby for their support.

Anything you may wish to be included in the October 2024 newsletter to be emailed to me by 20.09.24 please.

The information in this newsletter was correct at the time of printing.

Sue Teal

Date	Time	Events in September 2024	Cost	Venue
Tues 27.8.24	1.00pm-3.30pm 4.30pm-6.30pm 7.00-8.00pm	Trentside Makers Craft Group Fish & Chip Van Serpafit	£1.00 £2.00	Village Hall
Thurs29.8.24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50	Village Hall
Tues 3.9.24	1.00pm-3.30pm 7.00-8.00pm	Trentside Makers Craft Group Serpafit	£1.00 £2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 5.9.24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 6.9.24	2.10-2.30pm	Mobile library		Bay Horse
Tues 10.9.24	1.00pm-3.30pm 4.30-6.30pm 7.00-8.00pm	Trentside Makers Craft Group Fish & Chip van. Serpafit	£1.00 £2.00	Village Hall
Weds 11.9.24	7.30pm	Table Tennis	£1.50	Village Hall
Thurs 12.9.24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 13.9.24	7-9pm	Hobby Huddle	Free	Village Hall
Sat14.9.24		Fun Run in aid of cancer research 5kRegister 1pm for 1.30start 10kregister 2.30pm for 2.50start		St Mary's
Tues 17.9.24	1.00pm-3.30pm 7pm-8pm	Trentside Makers Craft Group Serpafit	£1.00 £2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 19.9.24	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Sat21.9.24	7pm for 7.30pm	Swinging Blue Jeans	£22.00	Village Hall
Tues 24.9.24	1.00pm-3.30pm 7.00-8.00pm	Trentside Makers Craft Group Serpafit NO fish & Chip Van	£1.00 £2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 26.9.24	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 27.9.24	2.10-2.30	Mobile Library		Bay Horse
Mon 7.10.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Mon 14.10.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Sat 19.10.24	7pm doors open	The songs of Leonard Cohen	£18.00	Village Hall
Mon 21.10.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Mon 4.1124	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Mon 11.11.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Mon 18.11.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Mon 2.12.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Mon 9.12.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Mon 16.12.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall
Mon 23.12.24	5-9.45pm	The Gathering	Free	Village Hall

Concerts in Garthorpe for 2025

Saturday 8.2.25 Tom Brooksby a tribute to Bruce Springsteen @ St Marys church. Tickets £15. Doors open @7 pm for 7.30pm

Saturday 15.3.25 The Blackheart Orchestra-St Mary's Church Garthorpe officially the smallest orchestra in the world, 2 people playing 13 instruments between them Tickets £17.Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm

Saturday 5.4.25 Toni Lee-Celebrates a Solo Show of Karen Carpenter/Carpenters Songs at St Mary's Tickets £17 Doors open @7PM - STAGE 7-30 PM.

Saturday 10th May 2025 Winter Wilson folk band at St Mary's Church. Doors open at 7 pm and concert starts at 7-30pm Tickets £13.

Saturday 31st May 2025 A JAZZ CONCERT
Jazz at St Mary's Church
The Jazz Trio "Spark" with Mark Parkinson the Flautist from Cold Flame. Tickets £15

Saturday 21.6.25 Landslide, Fleetwood Mac tribute band @ Garthorpe Village Hall. Tickets £17-Doors open @7pm for 7-30pm.

Saturday 20.9.2025 @ St Mary's church.
A tribute to Joni Mitchell and James Taylor.
Tickets will be £14 Doors open @7pm for 7-30pm

Friday 18.10 2025 with Cold Flame - Tribute to Jethro Tull a 2.5 hr concert at Garthorpe Village Hall Dn17 4AE.

Saturday 22nd November 2025, Doors 7 pm - Stage 7-30 pm and Tickets £17.50 at Garthorpe Village Hall, the Two Pianos "TRIO" Showcase Concert 'Unplugged'.

Date to be decided Ticket £19 at Garthorpe Village Hall doors open @7pm for 7.30pm