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Garthorpe and Fockerby Newsletter

August 2025 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.

SSE micro grants

Up to £300 per claim available for (un-constituted) groups wishing to enhance or expand their events or need the funding help to start up a new group (i.e. mothers and toddlers/crafting/gardening/bridge card group / bingo the ...list goes on etc etc) The grant is also available for talented individuals who need funding to help support them on their journey towards reaching their goals.

The new bins are now in place in the park and the old ones will be removed shortly. The old bins were difficult to empty as they filled with water!

The verge has been reseeded and lets hope this recent rain helps it to reestablish, if not it will be topped up in September.

Cllr J Knowles is currently organising a new community emergency plan. Also, if you or someone you know is vulnerable, don't forget to contact Yorkshire water to make sure you are registered on their vulnerable list , if

the water is switched off; they will deliver bottled water to your house.

[Priority Services Register](http://yorkshirewater.com)

yorkshirewater.com



Registering is very easy click on the link, and you will need your customer number found on the top right of your bill.

If you would like to contact the parish council, email clerk@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk.

The next Garthorpe and Fockerby parish meeting is **15.8.25 at 6.45pm** Garthorpe village hall.

News from the village hall



Raffle & Tombola

Donations needed for our party In the Park can be taken to the village hall or can be dropped with Paula Woolhouse,

"Painting of hall following the kitchen work is now underway. Thank you to all our hirers for their patience and understanding. "

Any questions? For enquiries about the Village Hall, 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 organisations that hire the hall, and not by the Committee. For questions about these, please contact the organisation concerned.

Lucky Numbers for July

1st. (57) Jean Greaves
2nd. (124) Rob Martinson
3rd. (63) Doreen Hird

Village News

Household Waste

North Lincolnshire Council is set to deliver a major transformation to support residents with their household waste and recycling, making it easier and more convenient than ever to recycle and reduce waste.

The council is preparing to roll out a streamlined waste collection service that puts residents first and reduces environmental impact. The new system, launching in line with national legislation next April 2026, will cut through that confusion by simplifying what goes where and when.

Under the new approach, every household will benefit from:

- A single, larger 240L recycling bin (burgundy) for all dry recyclable materials – plastic, metal, glass, card, paper, and textiles (removing two boxes).
- A weekly garden and food waste collection in one bin.
- A fortnightly general waste bin (grey/green) for anything that can't be recycled.

Cllr Rob Waltham, leader of North Lincolnshire Council, said: "We know how important it is to make recycling straightforward. The evidence is that residents have contributed significantly towards improved recycling and this next step will make it even easier for every household to play their part in protecting the environment. Most importantly we will be upgrading our brown bin collection to weekly and better still this will remain a free service, unlike many councils in the country, we are keeping our promise to not charge for green waste collections."

Cllr Neil Poole, deputy leader of North Lincolnshire Council added: "In 2012, nearly half of waste ended up in landfill, this is expensive and not great for the environment. Today, thanks to local efforts, less than 0.3% does, with the rest being reused, recycled, or turned into energy.

"We will continue to work with residents every step of the way, launching a dedicated communications and education campaign to ensure everyone knows what's changing and how to make the most of it.

"This is about making life easier for residents while building a cleaner, greener North Lincolnshire, and we're excited to move forward with a service that works better for everyone."

North Lincolnshire Council is one of the highest performing councils for recycling in the country thanks to the support of residents.

Yorkshire Water Authority Information

Yorkshire, it's time to put the hosepipes down.

This will help our region's reservoir levels recover and protect Yorkshire's water resources throughout the summer months, following the driest spring for 132 years, which led to the region being declared in drought.

We've tried everything possible to avoid this ban, and despite our customers' help to save water where they can and our efforts to manage water resources, including adding an extra 100 people to our leakage team and upgrading our infrastructure to reduce leaks and bursts, the dry weather and warmer-than-usual temperatures have increased demand, leaving our reservoirs more depleted than expected - 21.7% lower than average for this time of year. As a result, we're kindly asking everyone from today to please pop their hosepipes away for a bit. Having hosepipe restrictions in place means we can consider applying for drought permits which mean we can change how we're operating and further protect water supplies and the environment.

Please don't use your hosepipe for things like:

- Watering the garden or plants in your garden
- Cleaning private vehicles or boats
- Filling or maintaining a swimming pool, paddling pool, hot tub or cold-water plunge pool
- Filling or maintaining a domestic pond or ornamental fountain
- Cleaning your home's walls or windows yourself
- Cleaning paths, patios, decking or other artificial outdoor surfaces

You can still do the above activities without using a hosepipe if you use tap water from a bucket or watering can; or use water that is

not sourced from taps such as grey water, rainwater from a water butt, or a private borehole, for example.

Exemptions

Businesses will be allowed to use a hosepipe if it is directly related to a commercial purpose. There are restrictions on using a hosepipe if not for those essential commercial needs – so using a hosepipe to clean a path outside a business property, for example, would not be allowed.

Blue badge holders, those on Yorkshire Water's Priority Services register or Water Sure tariff for medical reasons, are excluded from restrictions.

For more information, visit our website, where we've pulled together some detailed FAQs: <https://ow.ly/7my650Wo8gL>

We'll continue to keep you updated on our reservoir stocks on a weekly basis, and we really appreciate everyone who has been saving water where they can this year. We kindly ask that you continue these efforts to ensure there's enough water for everyone in Yorkshire this summer and beyond. Thank you for your understanding.

Update

We want to say a big thank you to everyone who's been saving water by popping away their hosepipes and letting us know about leaks!

Over the hot weekend, water usage went down by 80-100 million litres compared to previous heatwaves in June

As well as reduced demand, we've seen a 52% increase in leak reports and our teams have been busy fixing them or working with local highways teams to get the repairs planned in. This wouldn't be possible without our customers reporting leaks and our

hardworking teams who worked non-stop throughout the heatwave completing repairs to save as much water as possible.

If you spot leaks with blue markings, don't worry - they're on our repair list, with priority given to the most serious ones. Every leak is different, and sometimes we can't fix them as quickly as we would like. To learn more about what goes into fixing a leak, watch this video: <https://youtu.be/GqRI3Us4ka4>

Yorkshire Water complaint

Our ongoing complaint against Yorkshire Water for telling us all that each of us were 'the only complaint they had received' has reached a crucial stage with the Consumer Council for Water (CCW). Yorkshire Water will not discuss any complaint but mine with CCW because of Data Protection, so CCW have sent me a release form so that the recording of your calls, or transcript if you complained online, can be released to create a class action. This may result in compensation, but more importantly, may stop them from treating us like idiots. If you complained about low pressure and were told you were the only one to do so, please join in. Let me have your name and address, and I'll drop a form off. It's time Yorkshire Water learned not to mess with Garthorpe and Fockerby!

If you were one of many villagers who were told you were the one and only one to complain and haven't completed the form to allow Cllr Chris Newton to act for you please can you contact him immediately, either by email @

cllrchrisnewton@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk or phone on 01724 798211

The "new" community bench



This bench in the memorial garden in St Mary's church. It was found in a rather poor state and was about to be consigned to the bonfire.

Many thanks to Chris Newton and Stephen Dent for all their work on this project replacing rotten woodwork & repainting the bench so it can be back in the community.

The bench was originally presented to the village by the children of Garthorpe in 1962. Jane Dent said she remembered this happening.

The bench is now in the remembrance garden and presented back to the community where it belongs.

A history of Garthorpe & Fockerby by the residents

Hi everyone, it's Carole, the village author here again. First, can I thank everyone who came to our information gathering sessions. We really appreciate you taking the trouble, especially those who came from outside the villages. I had the pleasure of meeting a lady whose grandmother and great grandmother lived in my house at the end of 19th century, and I can now trace the occupancy of The Old Plough Inn

back to 1861. I intend to do a little more research and see what else I can find, but it's fascinating to see photos of the people who used to live in your house. I also found the newspaper article where The Old Plough Inn lost its licence in 1915!

Carole has sent me the copy of the newsletter but it doesn't replicate on here very well. Hopefully you will see this in the book!



It's not too late to get involved. If not for you then please do it for your children and grandchildren. Just think how disappointed they will be if their friends' families are in the book and they aren't. We'll be at Party in the Park or email us on garfochistory@gmail.com

For those of you who have read or are reading Secret Lives and The Eagle Quartet, the last part, Sleeping Eagles Part 2 is now finished and with my wonderful editor. It should be

available to borrow from the library or buy from internet retailers by August.

Check my website for more details <https://carolemctbooks.info>



Sleeping Eagles Part 2

As the world emerges from the Great Depression, communism and fascism continue to grow on both sides of the Atlantic, Australia and China face the rise of a militaristic Japan and Spain erupts in civil war. The British Union of Fascists face their own threat when it appears that a serial killer is on the loose, but the real danger to world peace could be much closer to home.

In Britain and America individual decisions lead to personal tragedy, but in Palestine those personal decisions could lead to something considerably more dangerous.

It's time for the next generation to stand up and be counted, but just how far will they go to prove themselves.

Sleeping Eagles Part Two continues the family saga that began in 1913 in Secret Lives, into the turbulent 1930s.

Crowle Road Closures

I have been updated today that the planned contraflow and closure on the A161 Wharf Road sometime this summer is now postponed. It will take place before long but will not be this summer holidays.

Once I have more information on dates, I will share them as always.

From Cllr Ian Bint Facebook page

Eleanor Shelby the Fockerby girl with a racing dream



These pictures tell their own story. This has been an amazing month for Eleanor as she has got her first novice & 4th overall out of 10 on the track!

This week Eleanor had an interview live on radio humberside with Carla Greene.

Eleanor has definitely upped her game in the last few months , getting more confident going for the slightest gap for an overtake, (as Ayrton Senna once said "If you no longer go for a gap that exists, you are no longer a racing driver"!).

She's not letting people bully her on track and she's fighting back and gaining places , some real race craft gained recently.

And we're even going to have a go at karting abroad in France in the upcoming weeks whilst on holiday there!

There's no stopping Eleanor now, I hope not!

Eleanor's go Fund me appeal is still open if you can help. (<https://gofund.me/879b2a4f>)

Gift Card Scam Warning

Humberside Police have seen an increase in the amount of fraud victims who are asked to purchase gift cards as a form of payment to the fraudsters. They will ask the victim to send them the code on the back of the gift card and sell it on the dark web for a lesser value. It is effectively a form of money laundering.

The types of fraud we particularly see this in are where fraudsters purport to be from the Police, HMRC, Friend or workplace manager. We also see them being purchased a lot in cases of Romance Fraud; however, this list is not exhaustive, and the fraudsters often change their approach to avoid detection.

Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby

Thank you to the Ladies who run the Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby Pantry every Thursday. (Lesley, Diane Vicki & Michelle) what a fantastic job you do week in and week out. The reminders on social media are a great idea. Where would we be without volunteers!

St Mary's Church

Church Coffee Mornings

No new updates for this month.

Sunday Morning Walks

In September/October there will be Sunday Morning walks this will be open to all and anyone that would like to bring their dogs. More information in the next newsletter.

Royal British Legion

VE evening of celebration review

St Mary's held a VE Day celebration night with singing around the Piano and curry Night. The pianist was fantastic and played all the old tunes but also he played throughout the evening while we had a break and chatted. The singing was heartfelt and had a great atmosphere and enjoyed by all. We will do this again at some point. I would like to thank the Chef Pauline and Susan for preparing and serving the curry and for the people who supported this event.

Live music Garthorpe

Live Music Garthorpe publishes every Friday Music New Releases with possible due dates and formats (LP/CD).

Please note release dates are correct at the time of publishing but could change without notice.

www.livemusicgarthorpe.co.uk or
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/live-music-garthorpe>

Box Office :03336663366 (SUBJECT TO FEES)
or 07470167577 "NO FEES"

Landslide Review. 21.6.25

What a great night's entertainment. Landslide are an accomplished five-piece band offering a tribute to the music of Fleetwood Mac. Very true, but that doesn't do them justice. Often so-called 'tribute' bands have one, or sometimes two, stand out musicians and the rest of the band are not so good.

Landslide have five excellent and versatile performers, and may even have one up on Fleetwood Mac since Stevie Nicks doesn't to my knowledge double up on saxophone! A large and appreciative audience was treated to a show that started from the 1960s bluesy Peter Green days with 'Albatross', 'Black Magic Woman' and 'Need your Love So Bad', which was certainly my favourite era. The set continued through the 70s and 80s when the addition of Stevie Nicks and Lindsey Buckingham gave Fleetwood Mac a more mainstream appeal. By the time the evening finished, with 'The Chain', 'Rhiannon', 'Tusk' and 'Don't Stop' the audience were up, dancing and calling for more.

Once again thanks to David for laying on a fantastic evening

Simply Dylan

Simply Dylan , Revisiting Garthorpe Village Hall..

Simply Dylan is a tribute to Bob Dylan.

Performing at Garthorpe Village Hall on Saturday **23rd August 2025**

Early Bird Tickets @ £19 Available from www.livemusicgarthorpe.co.uk or from Ticket Source.



Concerts for the rest of 2025

Blue Horizon-Song Book to Joni Mitchell and James Taylor-Sat 20th September.

Cold Flame-Tribute to Jethro Tull-Saturday 18th Oct

The End of Season Concert "Party Time" with the Two Pianos- Saturday 22nd Nov.

Tickets available/Information
www.livemusicgarthorpe.co.uk

"Early Bird Tickets Available-You can pay at the door, but subject to seat availability.



It was flaming June and now it has turned into flaming July, very "muggy" humidity and the promise of thunderstorms on the way. All in an unpredictable English summer!!

I have been so busy lately that I have lost track of where we are. The summer holidays are now underway, and six weeks of Nana duties awaits. The usual regular workshops are still taking place – Yoga on Mondays, Marshland Movers on Wednesday and this is soon to be joined by Chair Aerobics on Fridays (starts Friday 29th August at Swinefleet Village Hall 10.00 am to 11.00 am). Added to these weekly events there is also the Craft Huddle on the first Tuesday afternoon of each month and the Hobby Huddle on the 2nd Friday evening of each month.

On top of all these activities we held our annual Afternoon Tea in Whitgift Church on Saturday 5th July. This year we managed to obtain a small grant towards the cost of it so were able to include the hiring of "The Mood Swings" to provide background entertainment. This event takes a lot of organisation and so many people in the community came together to contribute to this event, making it a truly community affair. Beatrice Rudd once again did the catering which was fabulous. Her Victoria Sandwich cake was to die for. 59 people attended so it was wonderful to see this ancient church being used to bring people together. Look out for this annual event next year!!

Two more Forging Experiences took place this month, both once again fully booked and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Definitely one for the programme next year. The items that were made were brilliant and all unique. Andy, the

blacksmith, was an excellent teacher and highly informative when answering all the questions he got asked.

On Saturday 12th July we held another willow weaving workshop to make a ribbed basket. This was an all-day workshop, and the baskets produced looked highly professional and of course are highly useful. Alison, the tutor is very skilled and very patient, making a difficult craft very enjoyable and open to anyone who wishes to give something new a try. We do try to make our programme of crafts as diverse as possible but are always open to new ideas and of course suggestions of what you would like to try. Sadly, the workshop to create a hand tied posy and flower arrangement had to be cancelled this month due to lack of interest so keep coming forward with suggestions and we will do our best to provide them.

Just our regular workshops take place during August so nothing new to bring your attention to until next month when school has once again resumed.

Hope you all have a good break and that the weather stays good. We really don't want rain for harvest time!!

See you next month.....

B1ridget Bramley

For & on behalf of Incredible Edible Marshland.

My thanks as always to Jiggy Lloyd & the Village Hall committee, David Graham for Live Music Garthorpe, Chris Newton, Vicar Mark Zammit Carol McEntee-Taylor, Carol & Ian Whaley & Bridget Bramley for IEM, Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council & Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby for their support.

Many thanks to Brian Woolhouse for the lovely village photos, watch out for more! The information in this newsletter was correct at the time of posting.

Any events or information you need including for September to me by **20.8.25. Sue Teal**

Date	Time	Events in August 2025	Cost	Venue
Tues 29.7.25	7.00-8.00pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 31.7.25	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 1.8.25	2.10-2.30pm	Mobile library		Bay horse
Sat 3.8.25	1pm-	Party in the Park		Playing fields
Tues 5.8.25	1-3pm 7.00-8.00pm	Craft Huddle Serpafit	£2.00 £2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 7.8.25	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 8.8.25				
Tues 12.8.25	7pm-8pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Weds 13.8.25	7.30pm	Table Tennis includes refreshments	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 14.8.25	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 15.8.25	7-9pm	Parish Council meeting		Village Hall
Tues 19.8.25	7pm-8pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 20.8.25	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Sat 23.8.25	7 for 7.30	Simply Dylan		Village Hall
Tues 26.8.25	7pm-8pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 28.8.25	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowl including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 29.8.25	2.10-2.30pm	Mobile Library	£2.00	Bay Horse
20.9.25		Joni Mitchel & James Taylor tribute	£14.00	Village Hall
18.10.25	7pm for 7.30pm	Cold Flame Jethro Tull Tribute	£14.00	Village Hall
22.11.25		2 Pianos	£17.50	Village Hall