



Garthorpe and Fockerby Newsletter

July 2026 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.

As always, the agenda & full minutes of all meetings are on the parish council website www.garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk.

Road works

**Amcotts Road, Garthorpe/ Fockerby –
Surface Dressing 30th June 1 day**

**Shore Road, Garthorpe /Fockerby – surface
dressing 1 day**

These works are weather critical: surface dressing cannot be carried out during wet conditions or when humidity/ road temperatures are unsuitable.

Parish Council meeting 19. 6.26

Resignation-J Knowles.docx X

**NOTICE OF VACANCY
IN OFFICE OF PARISH COUNCILLOR
Garthorpe and Fockerby**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that due to the resignation of J Knowles a casual vacancy has arisen in the Office of Parish Councillor for the Parish.

if by Thursday, 2nd July 2026 (14 days* after the date of this notice), a request for an election to fill the said vacancy is made in writing to the Returning Officer at North Lincolnshire Council, Church Square House, 30-40 High Street, Southorpe, North Lincolnshire, DN15 6NL, signed by TEN electors for the said Garthorpe and Fockerby, an election will be held to fill the said vacancy, otherwise the vacancy will be filled by co-option.

The election will take place not later than Wednesday, 7th September 2026

Anthia Taylor
Deputy Returning Officer

Dated, Thursday, 11th June 2026

Church Square House
30-40 High Street
Southorpe
North Lincolnshire
DN15 6NL

* In computing any period of time for this purpose, a Saturday, Sunday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, bank or public holidays or any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning must be disregarded.

Due to rising costs for our village church St Mary's , the parish council has agreed to donate £400 towards its upkeep.

The vandalism to the playing field equipment is in the process of being repaired. The infant area, on the field, was thankfully reported the slide needed attention it has been short term fixed, but a new part is needed & will be fitted asap.

We endeavour to keep our field in good order for everyone in the village and the equipment is regularly checked, but we do appreciate if you find a problem please do let us know .

Our Lives First Responders has asked if we could become a LIVES Village.

This is about First Responders which can and have been a crucial asset to the village .

The parish council were positive, it will be discussed further at our next meeting when we get more information.

If you would like to contact the parish council, email

clerk@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk.

Date of the next meeting is in the village hall @6.45pm on **Friday 21.8.26 @6.45pm**

Yorkshire Water Information

I'm getting in touch to make you aware of a scheme we're planning to replace clean water mains in the area south of Goole, and to seek any views you may have as we develop our plans.

Our project is to replace nearly 18km of clean water mains in and around Swinefleet, Adlingfleet, Garthorpe, Reedness, Ousefleet, Whitgift and Fockerby. These water mains have experienced a historically high number of repairs. By renewing it, we're aiming to reduce the frequency of bursts and unplanned interruptions to supply, as well as improve overall water quality for customers in the area. There will be multiple teams working throughout the project. We're proposing to start work on 13th July 2026 in Swinefleet and on Main Street Little Reedness with traffic lights, with work progressing onto Old Lane at the end of July where we'll need to close the road while we're working.

Between September and November, a team will also be working on King Causeway, Whinsgate and Boltgate under traffic lights.

From around mid-November we'll be starting work on Main Street Whitgift, where we'll need to close the road in sections moving onto Pennyhill Cottages, Townsend Causeway and Hoggard Lane down to Adlingfleet, Garthorpe and Fockerby where our work will end, this last section is expected to take until July 2027 to complete. Some work will also be completed in private land as part of the project.

Most of our permits are now granted from the Highways Authority, and we—alongside our delivery partner, United Infrastructure—want to make sure we have engaged with local stakeholders about our proposals and any

potential impacts arising from the planned road closures.

We recognise that there may be local events or other important considerations during the summer period. We would therefore welcome any insight into local factors we should be aware of, so that we can minimise disruption as much as possible.

We are currently planning our programme of community engagement. This will include writing to affected residents, hosting local drop-in sessions, and liaising directly with impacted businesses and the local bus company.

Connect 2 Bus Service

Connect 2 bus service has replaced JustGo bus service. The on-demand service is bookable and payable by telephone, the Connect2 mobile App and the web app. Can pay on board too. Prices start @£2.50 for a single adult journey, discounted rates for under 19.

It is free to use for all who have a concessionary bus pass. It operates Monday to Friday 7am-7pm & Saturday 8am-6pm. Call 01724 297777, to book or enquire.

News from the village hall

Yorkshire Water – consultation

Yorkshire Water will be at the village hall on **Thursday 2nd July 9.30 – 1.30** for a drop-in to discuss upcoming mains replacement work in the area. This is your chance to ask questions, tell them what you think and a whole lot more!



Contact Ellen on 07766995627

Spirit of the Water at Garthorpe Village Hall

Crowle Entertainers are performing "*Spirit of the Waters*" at Garthorpe Village Hall on **Sunday 5th July at 6pm**. Tickets are £5 and you can book by calling 07966 315733, or Mistletoe Cottage Fockerby.

Our play, an exciting combination of drama and folk song, tells the strange and sometimes violent story about an important few years in our local history. In 1626 the landscape of the Isle of Axholme was very different from the way it looks today. People made a living from the watery landscape and told stories about strange creatures like Tiddy Mun who inhabited the marshes. So, when King Charles I contracted with the Dutch engineer Vermuyden to drain the Isle, the repercussions led to violence, insurrection and rioting. Our play follows the fortunes of two Isle families divided by their beliefs but thrown together by love and marriage.

Woven amongst these stories is another intriguing strand about some strange marsh

creatures who combine their unique powers with passionate love of the landscape and embody the spirit of the waters.

Crowle Entertainers present
an exciting new play with
music, about the turbulent
history of the drainage
of the Isle.

Writer & director: Gillian Vickers.
Musical director: Susan Hollingworth

Fri 26 June 7.30, Crowle Community Hall
Sat 27 June 7.30, Haxey Memorial Hall
Sat 4 July 7.30, St Andrew's Church, Epworth
Sun 5 July 6.00, Garthorpe Village Hall

All tickets £5.00
Box office 07966 315733

Also venue tickets on sale:-
For Crowle; the Regen Shop
For Haxey; Greenhill Wines
For Epworth; Serendipity (on High St)
For Garthorpe;
Mistletoe Cottage
Station Road,
Fockerby

You can book online at
timelorasshow.com/vermuyden400,
or scan this QR code

We are also performing at other places the full list of performances are:
Crowle Community Hall 26/06/2026 19:30
Haxey Memorial Hall 27/06/2026 19:30
St Andrew's Church, Epworth 04/07/2026

19:30

Garthorpe Village Hal 05/07/2026 18:00

Tickets are on sale from various locations and online at <https://timeforashow.com/vermuyden400>

Lucky Numbers May

- 1st. Maddie Smith 26
- 2nd. Rob and Ian Hooton 60
- 3rd. Cat H 93

Lucky numbers June

- 1st. (215) Caroline Shukla
- 2nd. (66). Derek Wraith
- 3rd (181) Jules & Colin Davies



Request for prizes for Tombola etc



For further information speak to a committee member (Jonny Martinson, Jiggy Lloyd, Sam Simms, Joanne Smith, Charlie Parsonage & Emma Davies.

THE 13th MARSHLANDS CHARITY Tractor Run

This will be sponsored this year by THE GARTHORPE FARMING COMPANY and will take place on **Saturday 4th July**, meeting at and returning to the Half Moon Reedness with a Lunch stop at 7 Lakes Country Park, Crowle. Entry £20 to include breakfast butty & ploughman's lunch Route and further details to follow in due course

Please note, the organisers would like to clarify that going forward, the run will only proceed under the following rules: -
1. Passengers will only be allowed to travel in tractors with factory fitted seats. (The below passage is taken from NFU Rural Road Safety Advice)

“Only allow passengers to travel in your tractor or agricultural machinery where the

manufacturer has provided a seat specifically designed for this purpose”

2. In the UK, it is illegal to carry children under 13 years of age as passengers in the cab of a tractor or other agricultural machinery. (HSE) This prohibition applies regardless of whether the tractor is being used on or off the farm
3.No passenger carrying trailers.

The above will ensure that The Marshlands Charity Tractor Run conforms to Health & Safety requirements and with UK laws. We look forward to seeing you there

LIVES Community First Responders

There will be more information coming in the newsletters from LIVES. We are lucky to have an active presence in the village.

If you call 999 it may well be that a First Responder arrives before the ambulance.

Mobile Library

The library normally comes to the village every 3rd Friday and parks on Shore Road near the Bay Horse pub between 2.10-2.30pm. Hoping the library will be back on the road for July!

Eleanor Shelby the Fockerby girl with a racing dream



Not so great news this month for Eleanor , there have been some disappointing issues for her to deal with, reports her Mum Charlie. “We've had a rubbish couple of weeks, another crash and being fired off by other drivers or struggling to get pace on track, but are resetting and getting stronger with fitness and going for it again in our local Superone race at the start of July.

Our go fund me page has been deleted by the go fund me team now, but open to any local businesses sponsors that would kindly help with our engine rebuild costs which cost around £600 . I think this may be why we are losing pace compared to the kids that have multiple engines, as they come from rich families or are heavily sponsored. There is always an off weekend or disappointing weekend but Eleanor remains positive and wants to go for it.

Can anyone help our Fockerby Girl with a racing dream ?

Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby

Pantry on the Isle

There are 2 spare bags available, if you are interested in having one, please see the ladies between 5pm-6pm on a Thursday in the village hall. It cost £5.50 per week.

St Marys Church

22nd May 1913 Laying the Foundation stone



Thank you to everyone who came to the Pie & Pea evening and the coffee morning on 13.6.26. Your support is much appreciated.

Live music Garthorpe

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Live Music. Great Atmosphere. Unforgettable Nights.

COMING UP

Sarah McQuaid (Folk) Saturday 4th July
Marrakesh Express Saturday 6th September
(Tribute To: Crosby-Stills-Nash & Young)
Voodoo Room Saturday 18th September
(Tribute To: Cream-Clapton & Hendrix)
Scott Matthews Saturday 3rd October
Mim Grey - Saturday 24th October

For Tickets/Info Please Go To:
www.livemusicgarthorpe.co.uk

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www.livemusicgarthorpe.co.uk

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

Next concert at Garthorpe

Sarah McQuaid is extensively touring the USA at the moment and then back to the UK. Sarah McQuaid's lush, velvety voice combines with her engaging personality and "brilliant musicianship" (fRoots) on acoustic and electric guitars, keyboards, and (occasionally) drums to create a truly immersive experience. Her live performances are full of warmth, wit, and intimacy, and have earned her loyal followings on both sides of the Atlantic.

Live Music Garthorpe Proudly
Presents Singer Songwriter
SARAH McQUAID
Folk/Americana Singer

St Mary's Church Garthorpe
Scunthorpe North Lincs Dn17 4AE
Doors 7-30pm Stage 8pm
Saturday 4th July
Tickets/Entry £13

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the **Marrakesh Express**
Garthorpe Village Hall
Shore Road Garthorpe,
Scunthorpe DN17 4AF

a tribute to the Byrds, and Crosby Stills Nash and Young
Saturday September 5th
Advance Tickets £16
Doors 7-30pm - Stage 8pm
Pay On The Door £18
Subject To Seat Availability

Tickets/Info Go To -
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The only tribute to Crosby, Stills & Nash in the UK.

The Marrakesh Express is a unique experience in UK theatres, festivals and arts centres and coming to Garthorpe, recreating an iconic period in music with stunning vocal harmonies, psychedelic guitar and authentic acoustic grooves. They highlight the roots of one of the great supergroups, touching on the best of The Byrds, The Hollies, and Buffalo Springfield with hits such as Turn Turn Turn, For What It's Worth, and Carrienne as well as the mighty Suite Judy Blue Eyes, Our House, and Helplessly Hoping.

through Stills' driven grooves to Nash's knack for a catchy pop tune, this is a show to truly blow your mind. Their various collaborations with Neil Young are also marked with the classic Ohio.

The band takes you back to a time of protest, revolution, dropping out, and making great music. Sing along and sing loud as we find the cost of freedom together. It's one hell of a trip! If you were there and don't remember, come along and be reminded.



This month's missive is short and sweet due to me going on my holidays this afternoon and the cut-off date is slap bang in the middle of my

get-away. I will save reporting on events for next month when I can devote more time to this newsletter. Sorry to disappoint all you readers. I am a woman but have had all kinds of things to juggle so multi-tasking has gone out the window. Still need to pack too!

Our regular events continue as normal and come under the category of Wellbeing groups. No bookings needed for any of the following regular groups, just turn up for the event. It's as simple as that!.....

Craft Huddle – First Tuesday of the month 1pm to 3pm, (£2), Garthorpe Village Hall

Hobby Huddle – Second Friday of the month 7pm to 9pm, (£2), Garthorpe Village Hall

Line dancing – Every Weds at Reedness Primary School (school hall) 5.30 to 6.30 (£5)

Marshland Movers dance – Every Weds at Reedness Primary School 7pm to 8pm, (£5)

Yoga – Every Thursday at Reedness Primary School 6.30 to 7.30, (£7)

Chair Aerobics – Every Friday at Swinefleet Village Hall 10am to 11am (£4)

Both Forging classes advanced went well with very interesting objects being made. More details next month. Also, the Beekeeping Experience was well attended and enjoyed by all.

More to come on that experience next month. Our hanging baskets are now up in the marshland villages. I hope they brighten your day as you drive through. The colours are once again very vibrant this year and we hope you all enjoy the splashes of colour. A Huge thankyou to all the generous people who sponsored a planter to help us keep this treat going for all. You know who you are and a big THANKYOU.

Attention. Must not be missed. Our annual afternoon tea (Saturday 27th June) is always very popular, open to anyone and attracts approx. 50 people. It is accompanied with musical entertainment, raffle and a quiz in addition to the scrumptious tea itself; ALL FOR A FIVER. Is that not value for money?

Future Events.

Incredible Annual Afternoon Tea Saturday 27.06.26 (book in advance – ticketed event) 2.00-4.00 Whitgift Church £5.00 per ticket

Fused Glass Lantern Saturday 04.07.26 10.00 - Noon Swinefleet Village Hall £50.00

Elder Experience (for the third year running) Saturday 05.09.26 10.00- Noon Garthorpe Village Hall £23.00

All regular monthly & weekly classes as above Days as above. Times as above Various venues as above Prices as above

August for Incredible Edible is a free month due to the holiday period and other factors that prevent workshops taking place. It also gives us time to devote to other areas such as the hanging baskets we provide around the marshland villages and future planning for the second half of the year as well as events in 2027.

WELCOME TO IEM.

My thanks, as always to Jiggy Lloyd & the Village Hall committee, David Graham for Live Music Garthorpe, St Marys Church, Emma Davies for FOGAF, Chris Newton for all the music reviews & Yorkshire Water Authority guru, Charlie Parsonage for updates on Eleanor Shelby, Bridget Bramley for IEM, Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council Friends of Garthorpe & LIVES. Many thanks to Brian Woolhouse for the lovely village photos.

The information in this newsletter was correct at the time of posting. Any events or information you need including February 2026 to me by **20.7.26**

Date	Time	Events in July 2026	Cost	Venue
Thurs 2.7.26	9.30-am-1.30pm 5-6pm 7.30pm	Yorkshire Water consultation Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Sat 4.7.26	7.30pm for 8pm	Marshlands Tractor Run Sarah McQuaid	£13.00	St Marys
Sun 5.7.26	6pm	Spirit of the Water	£5.00	Village Hall
Mon 6.7.26	6-7.00pm 7.15-8.15pm	Pilates Yoga	£5.00 £5.00	Village Hall Village Hall
Tues 7.7.26	1-3pm 7pm-8pm	Craft Huddle Serpafit	£2.00 £3.00	Village Hall
Weds 8.7.26	7.30pm	Table tennis includes refreshments	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 9.7.26	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowl including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall Village Hall
Fri 10.7.26	2.10-2.30pm 7-9pm	Mobile Library Hobby Huddle	£2.00	Bay Horse Village Hall
Tues 14.7.26	7pm-8pm	Serpafit	£3.00	Village Hall
Thurs 16.7.26	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall Village Hall
Tues 21.7.26	7pm-8pm	Serpafit	£3.00	Village Hall
Thurs 23.7.26	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall Village Hall
Tues 28.7.26	7pm-8pm	Serpafit	£3.00	Village Hall
Thurs 30.7.26	5-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls including refreshments	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Sat 1.8.26	From 1pm	Party in the Park		Playing fields
21.8.26	6.45pm	PC meeting		Village Hall
5.9.26	7.30pm for 8pm	Marrakesh Express tribute to Crosby Stills Nash	£18.00	Village Hall
19.9.26	7.30pm for 8pm	Voodoo Room	£18.00	Village Hall
24.10.26	7.30pm for 8pm	Mim Grey	£18.00	Village Hall
13.9.26		5k/10k charity run		
20.2.27		Bon Jovi tribute		Village Hall
13.3.27		Tom Brooksby sings Springsteen		
24.4.27		Holly Taymer sings Eva Cassidy	£14.00	St Marys
19.6.27		Chantel McGregor		St Marys
16.10.27		The two pianos unplugged		Village Hall

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Village Hall

Garthorpe Village Hall Shore Road DN17 4AD

[Garthorpe and Fockerby Village Hall](#) Facebook page

garthorpevh@btinternet.com

telephone 01724-798118

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.

St Marys Church

Rev. Mark Zammit (Vicar of Haxey & Owston Ferry) (Priest-in-Charge of The Crowle Group)
The Vicarage, Church Street, Haxey, Doncaster.
DN9 2HY.

01427 753004 or 07733077957

www.haxeyowstoncrowlechurches.org.uk

Church warden 01724 798241

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Garthorpe & Fockerby Past and present

Pictures and events from the past to the present of Garthorpe & Fockerby

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