

St MARY'S CHURCH
Sunday services at 9.15 a.m.

7th May All Age Worship led by Annie Harrison
14th May Morning Prayer led by Rodney Nicholson
21st May Eucharist, celebrant Rachel Wilson
28th May Morning Prayer led by Shelagh Jones

**EAST RIDING COUNCIL
COMPOST DISTRIBUTION**

Share in the product of your brown bin collections!

The dates, venues and times of the compost giveaways this year are:
Tuesday 9 May 4pm – **Market Weighton**, Market Car Park, YO43 3AJ
Friday 12 May 4pm – **Driffield Showground**, Kelleythorpe, YO25 9DN
Thursday 18 May 4pm – **Pocklington**, Sports Car Park, The Balk,
YO42 2NZ

(other locations on ERYC web site)

Residents can collect two free 15kg bags of compost per car, which will be placed in their vehicle by council staff. The compost being given away has been recycled from the garden and food waste that householders in the area put into their brown bins. Please do not queue beforehand or you may be turned away for safety reasons. The giveaways will end when all bags have been given away on a first come first served basis.

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PLEASE send information BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH for the next edition, so that we can produce it promptly.

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ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING

Friday 19th May

7.00 pm

in St. Mary's Church

This is the annual opportunity for all residents to meet Parish Councillors, hear about past action and future plans, and discuss priorities and opportunities for the village.

(Residents can, of course, contact their Councillors about matters of concern at any time)

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

1. BOTTOM POND CLEARANCE

The first phase of the Bottom Pond project has been completed. There was a lot of rubbish in the pond which has now been removed and the mass of mud clogging the pond spread sensibly in the adjacent wood. The next phase is to grass the muddy area near the pond and edge the pond itself with suitable plants such as bullrushes, reeds and irises. It will also have one or two trees added to enhance the overall appearance.

As you will appreciate, Rome was not built in a day, so it will take some considerable time before the finished article is apparent. The aim is still to keep the pond as a soak away area but to make it a much more attractive place for wildlife to thrive in and villagers to enjoy.

Suggestions, or indeed offers of help from any resident wishing to become involved with this endeavour would be most welcome.

2. SEATING AND DISPLAY NOTICE AROUND THE VILLAGE WELL

Research is ongoing for suitable information to be displayed on a notice board next to the village well. The board will exhibit a location map of the village as well as facts of interest concerning village history, historic buildings (The Wolds Inn and St Mary's Church), the Wolds Way, local flora and fauna, farming, etc. Many people will have seen these parish information boards in most villages and towns across the country so it is only right that Huggate should have its very own board to tell its story.

Huggate does have a fascinating history and the very name, Huggate, is an old Scandinavian word meaning 'way to the mounds'. These mounds refer to the extensive earthworks and dykes surrounding the north of the village which are marked on ordnance survey maps. These earthworks are of heroic size and were created in the Bronze Age as means of defence. The best place to view them is sitting on the 'Poets bench' overlooking Horse Dale near the junction with Holm Dale and Harper Dale not far from Northfield Farm. The bench is one of six on the Wolds Way and sits on top of one of the actual earthworks.

Two benches are being purchased to be placed either side of the notice board to complete this enterprise.

3. DRIFFIELD ROAD CONDITION

The Highways department of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council carried out an inspection of the Driffield road as it enters the village from Wetwang and concluded that the road surface did need repairing. Unfortunately, they have adopted a 'quick fix' method of patching and filling in some of the pot holes but not all of them. The village council had hoped that a complete resurfacing of the road in that area would be carried out. However it is the same old story, with a lack of available funds being blamed for not doing a proper job. The council will continue to press our case with ERYC highways department and closely monitor the road for any further deterioration.

4. THE VILLAGE BUS SHELTER

The members of the council would like to thank the public spirited individual who swept out the village bus shelter. A member of the council went down to do the job and was delighted to find that someone had been there before them.

5. PROPOSED VILLAGE CAR PARK

The area of the old village tip has been discussed as a suitable site for having a village car park. It is a large area and, as reported in the last Huggate news, has a Knot Weed problem. This is currently under investigation but an initial pre application enquiry form for the car park has been submitted to EYC in any case to get the ball rolling.

6. BEETLE DRIVE/ QUIZ NIGHT

A Beetle Drive/Quiz Night will be held in the Wolds Inn, courtesy of John and Jayne Leaver, on Thursday 11th May 17 at 07pm. There will be an entrance fee of £1.00 per person and the Wolds Inn famous pie and chips will be available for £8.00 a head.

7. ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING

The Annual Village meeting will be held in St Mary's Church on the evening of Friday the 19th May at 0700pm. This is the opportunity for residents to have their say and to be briefed on what the council has been up to throughout the year.

St. Mary's Church

Sunday 16th July

2pm Pimms and Hymns

in Church followed by

from 4pm Hog Roast

at Carters Barn

by kind permission of Richard and Vicky Knocker.

Further details to follow.

As usual some help will be required before and on the day.; watch this space! This is the Church Summer Event and is to raise money for the removal of the existing non-playable organ and the purchase of a new electric one.

Churchyard maintenance on Tuesday evenings from 6.30 pm onwards. If it suits you to go at another time to mow, weed, tidy or just enjoy a peaceful place please do so. It's there for everyone.