

BARMSTON AND FRAISTHORPE



VILLAGE

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YOUR views, YOUR opinions
and Your local events

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VOICE

Contributions to Miss D Wiles
by the 20th of the month
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BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO:

7th Billie Adcock-Haigh
16th Mrs Sue Phillips
17th Mrs Angie Rowell
30th Annabelle Rowell-Potton
31st Mrs Wendy Hughes

AUGUST 2020

There will be a Village Hall Meeting on the
last Thursday of August.

It is to be hoped the Methodist Chapel will
open in the middle of August

There will be no Military Whist Drive until
further notice.

Barmston and Fraisthorpe Parish Council Meeting.

The councillors welcomed the new clerk Patricia Lambert as it was the first time most councillors and the residents had met her due to the Covid19 interruptions to normal business.

Again, we would like to thank the residents who attended the meeting on 8th July which was the first since the lockdown enforcement. It was held under social-distancing rules.

New Covid 19 Policy

A new Covid19 policy was introduced. It was agreed that if any residents would like to attend a future meeting, which must be held under Covid19 restrictions and social distancing can be maintained, they must either book a place in advance or spaces will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. There obviously will be limited spaces available in the hall. The council must always consider the safety of residents and councillors.

New Complaints Policy

It was agreed at the meeting to update the council's complaints policy to bring it in line with other Parish Councils. Complaints received in writing must be signed by the complainant. Any complaint sent on behalf of other residents, must also have the names of all residents they are writing on behalf of so that there are no confusions as to who the council are addressing. If the names are not included, the complaint will not be considered for discussion. No further action will be taken. Obviously, the council will still be dealing with the complaint under the data protection act.

Now the Village Voice is back up and running in its normal format, hopefully it will be delivered to everyone giving all residents, including those still shielding, to see the news in the village and know what is going on. We know they have missed this over the past 5

months as they were unable to leave their homes at all.

Obviously, Covid 19 has thrown up a few issues regarding the circulation of the Village Voice. We know that many residents prefer this method of communication. With this in mind, the Parish Council have decided, if anyone would like to receive it electronically, they can supply their email address to the council, the clerk has suggested setting up a secure email system run by her so it can be delivered securely.

We received a letter on behalf of the parishioners asking to see the annual accounts. As it was clear that many parishioners were interested in viewing the accounts, It was agreed through the council that the clerk would have an open afternoon or a couple if needed, at the Village Hall in September (dates to be agreed) for any residents who would like to see the accounts to come along and go through them with the clerk, and ask any questions This will be advertised on notice boards and in the Village Voice when dates have been decided.

Footpath Bridge

Most people know the footpath bridge was vandalised and had to be closed for safety. The Parish Council would like to thank ERYC for their swift response to the dangers and we believe it has now been repaired. If anyone sees this type of vandalism in the future, please report it to the police or appropriate authority.

WIND FARM SMALL GRANTS FUND

The Parish Council is pleased to give notice that the Wind Farm Small Grants Fund is once again available for distribution.

Applications are invited from Parish Community Groups for grants that will benefit the community by:

- Enhancing the quality of life for local residents
- Contribute to vibrant, healthy and sustainable communities
- Promote community spirit and encourage community activity

All applications must comply with the rules governing the main schemes to the Parish Council and will not be considered for projects already started or taken place.

If your organisation wishes to apply, please contact the parish clerk for an application form.

Email –
clerk@barmston.org.uk
Telephone - 01964 527900
Post -

27Seaside Road, Aldbrough, HU11 4SA

Application forms must be returned to the clerk by **31st August 2020** and applications will be considered at the parish council meeting in September. Successful applicants will be notified by the 20th September 2020.

Pat Lambert
Parish Council Clerk

From the vicar, Richard Hare

One of the features of living on the east coast is that there's always plenty of wind! It's a rare day that the wind turbines are completely still, and even a very warm day on the beach is cooled by the sea breezes. There's the annual kite festival at Sewerby, and the other day I cycled past some paragliders, skilfully making use of the updrafts and the air currents to manoeuvre their craft.

Even with the much more accurate weather forecasting we get nowadays, the wind is still hard to predict. The turbines are designed to rotate freely to harness the most energy, whatever the wind direction, just like the windmills of old. A family flying a kite must contend with sudden gusts interspersed with moments of calm, which requires a degree of skill.

Jesus used the wind to describe the Holy Spirit, and his effect on the people He inhabits. "The wind blows wherever it pleases," said Jesus in John 3. "You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." The Holy Spirit is hard to predict, and He directs his people in ways they might never have imagined, filling them with the power and the love to obey the Father's will. Like a bracing wind, the Spirit takes our fearful selves and lifts us into new ways of being, new projects and new adventures.



Speaking of the wind, we were sad to be turned down for a main grant from the local wind farm trust for maintaining the churchyard – lack of funds was the reason given, presumably with a large number of calls on a limited amount of money. But the good news is that Craig Turner has volunteered to take on the grass mowing from the beginning of August, and we're extremely grateful to him. We'll continue to pay for John Kershaw's Garden and Tree Services to cut the hedge twice a year.

Once again, we are grateful for one-off donations we have received, which have bought us a few months' respite. But we are still looking for regular members and regular monthly givers, and I'm about to issue a press release about our current situation.

God bless you all. Richard

