

Elsham Leader – March 2017



What a pity many people don't take note of the 30 mph sign and road markings, especially so close to the playground.

Perhaps they are distracted by the flowers !



An Easter Coffee Morning,
in aid of Elsham Church
funds will take place at the
village hall on **Wednesday**
12th April at 10.30am.

Do please come and support
the church.

There will be a raffle and
donations of prizes are always
welcome.

Elsham in Bloom

The Elsham Elves have begun their gardening and village maintenance season by re-arranging the “Elsham” sign at the bottom of Barnetby Lane. We hope the village name will stand out better by being spelt out in cobbles and surrounded by plants instead of vice versa. Further planting is planned on top of the mound.

We were pleased that the three hundred crocus corms survived the attentions of the peacocks and bloomed to indicate our contribution to Brigg Rotary Club’s commitment to the eradication of polio.

Sadly, that triangle is still often ploughed up by careless lorry drivers. The results are an eyesore which takes months to grass over. However, many thanks to the residents who have attempted to rectify the damage.

The spring flowers have looked cheerful, and we will soon be purchasing summer bedding plants.

This year we will have an extra £250.00 to spend, thanks to very generous contributions from **BLENDED PRODUCTS**, a firm on our local industrial estate, and **HOLME FARM RESIDENTIAL HOME**. Very many thanks to them both.

The Elsham Elves will endeavour to put the money to good use and we may even be able to up our grading from second to first in the Best Kept Village competition.

If you have an hour to spare, usually on a Wednesday morning, we would be happy to welcome you to our group. The work isn’t arduous and you will be rewarded by coffee and biscuits and good companionship from our friendly group.

Introducing ...

Anton and Carol moved into Blueberry House on Maltkiln Lane last August. Carol was brought up in Winterton and works with older people with mental health problems, based in Grimsby. Anton, who used to live in West Halton, runs his own electrical engineering business called ADS Systems, where he develops software for industrial control systems and automation. He spends a lot of time working from home but can also spend periods of time abroad working on projects. With a previous lecturer of his, he worked to become a licensed pyrotechnician, and now spends many days in November, as he puts it, in the middle of a muddy field setting off fireworks. They admit that they are maybe not typical of their age group, wanting to live the quiet life in Elsham, but Carol in particular is looking forward to learning more about gardening and seeing the wildlife (peacocks included!) that Elsham has to offer. With regard to the ‘log sculpture’ in the front garden, its fate is yet to be decided! We look forward to seeing them at future village events, as they are keen to get to know more people in the village.



Sandra van Oosterhout

If any other new (or not-so-new) residents would like to introduce themselves in this way we will be happy to have your contribution.

All Saints' Church, Elsham

The Rev. Lee Gabel, who is at present with St. Lawrence's Church, Scunthorpe, will be installed as our vicar on 27th June at Barnetby Church. Everyone is invited.

The Rev. Gabel and his wife, Abi, have two children and will live at the vicarage at Barnetby.

He will be responsible for 9 parishes which will form the North Wolds Group. We are delighted to welcome the Rev. Gabel, but realise he will be busy with this responsibility and therefore we will continue to assist him in maintaining the life of our church. It is not always possible to include the times and dates of services in the Church Newsletter. However, the details are on display on the notice board outside church.

Mothering Sunday – This is the Sunday of the year when we attend church in thankfulness for our own mothers and also for the gift of our own children. Very pretty posies were made for the children to present to their mothers and also Simnel cake. It would have been lovely to have seen more children at the service.

<p><u>Elsham Church Services and events</u></p> <p><u>The Easter Coffee Morning</u> will take place at the village hall on <u>Wednesday 12th April</u> at 10.30am. Do please come and support the church.</p> <p><u>Thursday 13th April</u> – a Maundy Service will be held at 7.00 pm</p> <p><u>Sunday 16th April</u> - the Easter Sunday Service will be held at Bigby at 11.00 am – all are welcome.</p> <p><u>Sunday 23rd April</u> – the Sunday service will be at Elsham at 11.00 pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday 26th April</u> – the Annual General Meeting of Elsham Parochial Church Council will take place at Elsham Church at 7.00 pm. Everyone is welcome.</p>
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Church Wardens

Mrs P Taylor – 01652 680438 and Mrs H Gray – 01652 655847.
The Treasurer is Mrs D Enser – 01652 688486

As the vicar of Elsham, Barnetby, Kirmington and other parishes, the Rev Gabel will become a governor of St. Barnabas and St. Helena's Federation, the local primary schools.

The Playground and Adult Exercise Area

It is pleasing to see that the area is well used. It is such an asset to the village and one of the best such facilities in the area.

Opening times are to be extended in the light summer evenings and serious attention given to the drainage problems.

YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT

By Dawn Enser

It is not surprising nowadays that none of us are too sure of what quantities of food we should be eating, what is good for us, what is not good for us, and how to maintain a reasonable figure for whatever age we may be. I have recently found some old books and articles about food, pre-Second World War cooking, and general rules for looking after your home. These were amongst my mother's possessions, and good as an eye-opener and leveller. I thought it might evoke some memories so perhaps everyone can have a laugh at one or two of them (even some children may find them challenging).

Some of you in the village may well recall the rationing during, and a little time after the war, and this was per adult, per week. Some of the younger members of the Village, not aware of what rationing was will be surprised by the small amounts! Although the amounts are small, everyone seemed to maintain a reasonable weight and somehow seemed to have got through such a dreadful time, with many of them living well into their 90s. Somewhere it seems to imply perhaps we all need to cut back, if only a little.

	<p>Bacon and Ham: 4 oz. (100g)</p> <p>Meat: To the value of 1s.2d. (6p today). Sausages were not rationed, but difficult to obtain; offal was originally unrationed but sometimes formed part of the meat ration.</p> <p>Butter: 2 oz. (50g)</p> <p>Cheese: 2 oz. (50g)- sometimes it rose to 4 oz. (100g) and even up to 8 oz. (225g).</p> <p>Margarine: 4 oz. (100g)</p> <p>Cooking fat: 4 oz. (100g) often dropping to 2 oz. (50g)</p> <p>Milk: 3 pints (1800 ml) sometimes, dropping to 2 pints (1200 ml). Household (skimmed dried) milk was available. I am told this was 1 packet each 4 weeks.</p> <p>Sugar: 8oz. (225g)</p> <p>Preserves: 1 lb. (450g) every 2 months.</p> <p>Tea: 2 oz. (50g)</p> <p>Eggs: 1 shell egg a week if available but sometimes dropping to 1 every two weeks. Dried eggs – 1 packet each 4 weeks.</p> <p>Sweets: 12 oz. (350g) each 4 weeks</p>
<p>In addition, there was a monthly points system. As an example of how these could be spent, the 16 points allowed you to buy one can of fish or meat or 2 lb. (900g) of dried fruit or 8lb. (3-6kg) of split peas.</p>	

Elsham Indoor Bowls Club

We have now completed our season in the Bishop Norton League. We finished in second place after wins over Bottesford, Scawby and Perry's Gold (from Kirton Lindsey).

We have some very good bowlers in our team and are already looking forward to the next season which begins in September.

Our club singles competition was won by Martyn Robinson. This was a Sunday afternoon event with refreshments provided in abundance by the members.

Our AGM and Presentation Evening will be held on April 26th at the village hall.

John Tomlinson

Elsham Parish Council

Did you know that you can attend Parish Council meetings?

Public participation time, when you can air your views, is from 6.45 and 7.00pm

The dates of meetings are given elsewhere in this newsletter.

Your Parish Councillors are:-

Graham Evison (Chairman)
(680980)

Sophie Dunn (680676)
Lorraine Guest (680679)
John Taylor (680438)
Sandra van Oosterhout (681899)
Vee Harness (688005)

Parish Clerk –
Deb Hotson (0784 2201877)
(Available weekdays 10am – 2pm)

Elsham Indoor Bowls Club

Having had a summer break, the bowls club is starting again on Sundays on 11th September and Wednesdays on 14th - and weekly thereafter.

John Tomlinson

Chip Van

In case you haven't heard, a fish and chip van is now visiting the village every Friday evening from 6.45 to 7.45pm.

Judging by the queue across the village hall car park, it is proving to be very popular

Hire of the Village Hall

The village hall can seat up to 120 and with its full kitchen makes an attractive venue for wedding receptions, children's parties and other such events.

The rates are very reasonable - for full details and bookings contact Sandra Rawlin on 01652 681899 or John Tomlinson on 01652 688221.

The Royal British Legion

The Royal British Legion would like to thank the residents of Elsham for the sum of £318.00 collected during the Poppy Appeal. This was an increase over last year's £273.83.

Our district total was £3190.26, again an increase over the previous year's £2507.34

Without your help the RBL would be unable to continue its vital welfare and benevolent work.

I would also like to thank Roger Frankish who, despite his ill health and many stays in hospital, still managed to visit all the homes in Elsham to carry out the collections.

Many thanks.
John Tomlinson

We are always looking for articles of interest for insertion in the Elsham Leader – please Email you comments / articles to lquest@talktalk.net

Thank you

Information about the village and events

Apart from this newsletter, information can be found on the notice board situated at the end of the village hall car park, and also on the website.

Events which take place in the village hall are :-

Monday

Tuesday **New Age Kurling**
10.00 - 12.00

Parish Council

On the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 6.45 – 8.00pm (except April, Aug & Dec).

Next meetings: -

N B Wednesday 3rd May 2017 - the Parish Council Meeting, AGM and Annual Parish Meeting will be held at ELSHAM PARISH CHURCH

Tuesday 20th June 2017 at Elsham Village Hall
Tuesday 18th July 2017 at Elsham Village Hall

Wine Club

Fortnightly on a Tuesday 8.00 – 10.00 pm. - starts again in September 2017.

New members welcome – telephone Roland Guest (680679) for further details.

Wednesday **Bowls Club** 7.00 – 9.00pm. summer break – starting again in Sept.

Thursday **Line Dancing** Social evening 7- 10 pm

Friday

Sunday **Bowls Club** 7 .00 – 9.00pm. summer break – starting again in Sept.

Contact details re Keys / Booking etc. for Elsham Village Hall

Sandra Rawlin
3 Doll Lane, Elsham
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John Tomlinson
2 Church Street, Elsham
Tel:- 01652 688221

Roland Guest
5 Church Street, Elsham
Tel:- 01652 680679

Chairman
Tony Steeper
c/o Holme Farm Residential Home
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The revenue from adverts pays for the printing of the "Leader" so that it costs the Parish Council (and indirectly, you) very little. If you would like to advertise your business or a social event, please contact me, Lorraine Guest on 01652 680679. Fees are £8 per edition.

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