

Around & About

October 2018

Fish and Chip Lunch & Games Afternoon

To include mushy peas/beans, bread bun, pudding, tea/coffee.

Saturday 6th October at 1pm

Sue Coates needs to know your orders beforehand:

Either call at 1 Carroll Place, phone 721014

or email susan1.coates@yahoo.co.uk

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| 1 | Cod with regular Chips | - £5.30 |
| 2 | Cod with small Chips | - £4.50 |
| 3 | Homemade Fishcakes (& chips) | - £3.00 |
| 4 | Cheese Savoury (& chips) | - £3.00 |

Plus Donations for the extras



Croft Lecture Association

Wednesday: 17th October 2018

Speaker: Chris Lloyd

Subject: Of Fish & Actors: 100 Years of Darlington Hippodrome

How the Hippodrome - formerly the Civic - came to be despite the terribly underhand attempts of the town's ruling Quakers to prevent it.
7 for 7.30pm at Croft Village Hall.

Pay £4.00 at the door. Home-made refreshments included

Brick a Brac



Croft Village Hall

Saturday October 20th

10.30-12.30

and our famous tea and cakes!

Dalton Village Hall

Tues Oct 9th – Coffee morning & book exchange 10.30 -12.00

Tap Dancing – Wednesdays 6.15 to 7.15pm

Friday Oct 12th – **Modern Sequence Dance** 7.30pm (ballroom dancing but all couples do the same routine). Beginners and singles welcome. Tea and coffee available but bring any other required liquid refreshments

Entrance £2.50 per person.

WANTED ! Pillow cases and old table mats.

Petra and Georgie are now running a pottery studio in Croft.

We need old thick pillow cases, and old cork table mats.

If you have any just leave on the door step of The Moorings, South Parade

or the Village Hall door step.

MANY THANKS



MINUTES OF CROFT-ON-TEES PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2018

(DRAFT UNTIL SIGNED)

PRESENT: Mr L Nugent (Chair) Mr S Bass Mrs P Longstaff Mrs A Kennedy Mrs C Liversedge-Gell Cllr Angus Thompson PC M Wood

Planning Applications

FULL: 18/00488/FULL Monk End Bungalow Extension

FULL: 18/00509/FULL Croft-on-Tees Village Hall

Applications were discussed and no objections were made

Police & Crime Update

PC Mark Wood Richmond Rural Beat Officer attended the meeting. PC Wood reported that levels of crime within our Parish are currently low, with 3 incidents reported so far in 2018. **BORDERWATCH** is well attended by volunteers and gives Croft additional support.

PC Wood explained that **COMMUNITY MESSENGER** has been proven to be very successful for rural communities and urges residents to sign up to it if they haven't already. North Yorkshire Community Messaging is a free community messaging system for North Yorkshire that allows you to register to receive the latest crime notifications and community news happening in your local neighborhood.

To get started, visit www.nycm.co.uk and create an account, or [download the app from your device's App Store](#).

Please get in touch with the Clerk if you want any help setting this service up.

SPEEDING was also discussed with PC Wood with the Parish Council highlighting ongoing concerns of speeding on A167 Northallerton Road. Clerk confirmed that a Speed Concern was submitted to North Yorks Police and after gathering data they agreed the area was a concern and that it would be added to their Safety Camera Team. The Clerk has also requested that Croft be considered for a Community Speedwatch programme (for the second time) Mr Bass confirmed that there were 10+ parishioners willing to take part in this and that as a PC we were very keen to get this up & running.

PC Wood confirmed Croft village is on his list of Villages to visit with the Speed Gun and he is more than happy to come & carry out some Speeding Enforcement. He also explained that in some cases some roads can be deemed too dangerous for members of the public to carry out a Speedwatch Program.

However, when the speeding data shows that a Community Speedwatch may not be suitable due to risk, it is fed to the local Police who can then enforce the area. Following this, if the level of Speeding drops, then a Speedwatch may be able to be set up.

Cllr Thompson noted he would contact Jamie Smith for any progress on this matter.

Mr Bass asked if the Clearway or 'National Speed Limit' signs could be taken down as they encourage motorists to start speeding up when they are still in a 30mph zone.

Cllr Thompson discussed how he had raised the issues of the 40mph advisory sign on the bend at the Railway Bridge and the National Speed Limit sign with Neil Linfoot Improvement Manager for North Yorks Highways Richmond. His response was that the signs needed to remain due to:

The 40mph sign mentioned is an additional 'max 40mph' advisory plate to the 'bend ahead' sign and as such is for information/advisory purposes only.

The national speed limit sign is a repeater sign and is a legal requirement due to the fact that there is a system of street lighting present and where the speed limit is NOT 30mph (which is standard for a road with a system of street lighting) then the overriding speed limit has to be indicated and in this location it is the national speed limit. As such the repeater signs cannot be removed.

SPEEDING MATRIX SIGNS Cllr Thompson reported that the campaign he has been working on to have the ban on PCs from using their own Vehicle Activated Signs ie. Speeding Matrix Boards, had been discussed by the Transport Scrutiny Committee on 13/7/2018. They have taken forward the motion which is very positive news for Croft Parish being able to secure a matrix board in the future to help with speeding issues. The purchase would be a regulated contract between the PC and the Council. The motion goes to the executive on 26/9/2018 followed by a Full Council Meeting on 18/11/2018

FLY TIPPING & LITTER Cllr Thompson explained to the PC how Fly Tipping and Litter will be high on his agenda and that he would like to see more publicity encouraging people not to litter and prosecutions for those that do. Cllr Thompson has discussed this problem with MP Rishi Sunak and an idea of adding a penny to the meals of fast food restaurants and the revenue for this would then go towards paying for litter picking in these areas – an idea that has been suggested to Government. It was also commented on how a member of the Parish had voluntarily litter picked and weeded the verges along the A167 and across Croft Bridge.

The Parish Council would like to extend their thanks to the Parishioner for his hard work.

Croft-on-tees village sign Update

New village sign has been installed. Parish Council discussed the possibility of installing a second, smaller sign on a lamppost on the Croft bridge. Mr Nugent to discuss design with the original sign artist.

Smartwater Funds Update

It was agreed to wait and see the final outcome of the Speed Matrix signs - if it goes through the £500 will be used to go towards the purchase of our own Matrix sign or go into a joint purchase with Dalton-on-Tees.

St Peters Clock Maintenance

It was agreed that the PC continue to contribute £125 but that the invoice should go to St Peters Church and not the PC. The PC will then pay the Church direct. Clerk to arrange.

Richmond Road Drainage

Clerk has opened a new case with NYCC for the gullies on Richmond Road to be emptied. Mrs Longstaff confirmed they had not been emptied. Clerk to follow up

Spoil Bank Wood Update

Clerk has contacted the Woodlands Trust to establish if something can be done about the razor wire over a stile in the wood - will update accordingly

AOB

(01) Mr Nugent attended a Planning Meeting at RDC for the works at the Fold, Clervaux. Provisional Planning has been granted and there is to be a site visit to look at the footpath/access issues.

(02) The Clerk explained the Environmental Agency are carrying works on the permissive footpath from Monk End Farm to St Peters Church. A stone path is to be constructed along the top of the flood embankment to protect it from erosion. Works will start 12th September for 4 weeks and for the safety of the public the permissive footpath will be closed for the duration of the works. Signs will be put up by the EA and notice on the PC board /Facebook/ website

Next Meeting Wednesday 7th November 2018 at 7.30pm at Croft Village Hall - everybody welcome

Visit www.croftonteespc.com for more information and LIKE your Croft-on-Tees Parish Council facebook Page to keep up to date



QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 26th October

Croft Village Hall

From 7pm

Adults - £5

Children (under 12) - £2.50

(includes Supper)

Tables of 4-6 people **must** include
at least one child.