



**Hartshorne Village Residents Association
Newsletter — June 2019**

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Welcome to our Summer 2019 Newsletter bringing you up to date with our news and some from around the village.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

The AGM of the Residents Association was held on Thursday 2nd May and was attended by 36 people with several apologies from people unable to attend.

Kevin Banton, our chairman presented the annual report on the Association's activities in the past year, therein points of which are included in this news letter.

The officers and committee members were all willing to continue to serve the association and were re elected. There is a vacancy for a committee member due to the passing of Ray Fairbrother.

Under any other business there was lively discussion regarding safety on the road at the school when parents were delivering and collecting children, with the amount of traffic and congestion.

The school nature reserve had been vandalised and needed repairing. The HVRA promised a small donation and it was suggested that the Head Teacher apply to the Hartshorne Charities for a grant.

RAY FAIRBROTHER:

Ray Fairbrother, who sadly passed away on Christmas day last year was one of the founding members of the Residents Association and will be greatly missed by all those who knew him. He served on the committee from the beginning. Jim Gosden, a founding member along with Ray as chairman at the time said that during the first two years of the Association when there was so much going on and with some covert opposition, that Ray was a great support to him and his measured wisdom when things could get a bit emotive was invaluable. His sound opinions in committee were also valued.

Ray's funeral on 12th January, which was full to capacity, £925. was collected for Macmillan nurses. Brenda thanks everyone for their support at this sad time.

HARTSHORNE HERO 2019:

In our December newsletter, at a member's suggestion, we asked for nominations for people who had done much for the village and its community. A box for nominations was put in the information kiosk and nominations were also emailed to our secretary. In the event all the nominations came by email.

There were not many nominations but after considering them all it was the unanimous decision of the committee that BILL MORRIS be named as HARTSHORNE HERO 2019.

Bill Morris is one of the Church wardens at St Peters Church and doesn't even live in the village, but obviously has a heart for its community, Bill as a Church warden his main responsibilities for the fabric of the Church building. However he also maintains the Church yard to a very high standard.



The people nominating him said of Bill that they believed he deserved the award due to his outstanding commitment to maintaining the grounds and that he works tirelessly day in and day out to keep the churchyard in excellent condition despite approaching 80 years of age. At Christmas he put the star on the church tower and the lights in front of the church.

Bill was invited to the AGM and Kevin Banton announced Bill as Hartshorne Hero and presented him with a gift voucher for £25. Bill responded with thanks in his usual modest manner.

PLANNING MATTERS

1: WOODVILLE ROAD — THE VILLAGE.

The proposed development of 14 houses on the site next to the Victorian Villas in Woodville Road has been the subject of an application to remove the requirement for the inclusion of affordable housing. This was refused by the District Council and has now gone to appeal. The original appeal for the development was granted by the Planning Inspector based on the inclusion of affordable housing .

2: PLANNING IN MANCHESTER LANE.

The Residents Association gave support to the residents of Manchester Lane resulting in a successful dismissal of the applicants appeal last year. The applicant has subsequently appealed to build an agricultural building on the land, which although opposed by the residents, the HVRA and the Parish Council was passed by the planning Committee.

LOCAL GREEN SPACES:

Over the past two and a half years the Planning Policy Section of the District Council has carried out four public consultations on Local Green Spaces in which the Residents Association has participated in each. Originally we proposed four sites in the village for consideration, which were gradually reduced to one as the consultations progressed.

At the final consultation held in February the District Council has designated the land behind the Mill Wheel car park, which borders the brook. This meets all the planning criteria, being special to the community, with an ancient footpath passing through it, abundant flora and fauna and being a place of tranquility. This site was also supported by Derbyshire Wildlife Trust as well as the Association.

The Local Green Spaces Development Plan Document has now gone to the Secretary of State for local Government of examination by the inspector. When approved the plan will be adopted and become part of the Local Plan. This will mean that all designated Local Green Spaces in South Derbyshire will be protected from development for the foreseeable future.

HARTSHORNE CHARITIES:

The origins of the Hartshorne Charities go as far back as 1626 when the Rev. William Dethick left money for the poor of Hartshorne . Eight other parishioners over the years bequeathed money to the poor. In 1963 the Charity Commissioners combined all these individual trusts to form the Hartshorne Charities.

The Trustees are all local people, Jim Gosden being the trustee representing the Village Residents Association. The trustees consider requests for financial help including books for university students, school clothes, travel expenses for regular hospital visits etc; Applicants must live within the Ecclesiastical Parish Boundary.

Applications for a grant should be made in writing to the Secretary — Mrs S. Shakespeare, 18 Main Street, Hartshorne, DE11 7ES.



ST PETERS CHURCHYARD:

Whilst many people these days elect for cremation there are those who would wish to be buried in their local village churchyard.

There has been some concern around the parish that the capacity of the churchyard for burials is slowly reducing and could be full within the next ten years. The Parochial Church Council (P.CC) at their meeting on 14th May put in hand measures to increase the capacity of the existing burial ground by the partial removal of a bank of surplus soil.

This will allow for at least a further row of graves increasing the capacity of the churchyard up to approximately 2040.

THE DETHICK HALL:

At the AGM of the Dethick Hall management committee on the 13th May it was unanimously agreed to alter the name of the hall to: HARTSHORNE VILLAGE HALL — THE DETHICK. This is to avoid confusion by some people with the Church Hall opposite. There has been instances where the Dethick Hall has been booked but people have gone to the Church Hall.

INFORMATION KIOSK

The information kiosk outside the Admiral Rodney Inn continues to provide a public service to villagers. It is maintained and updated by members of the HVRA. Recently a recycling facility for “difficult to recycle” materials has been added. This has proved very popular.

THANK YOU

Finally the committee thank all those who support us, from the volunteers who deliver our leaflets and newsletters around the village, to those who regularly attend the AGM and renew their membership regularly every year, thus expressing their confidence in what we try to achieve for the village and its community.

If you haven't yet renewed your membership for this year and still wish to support the residents association, please complete the form below. The subscription is still only £2.00. Any queries contact Jim Gosden on 01283 217656.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership is taken on a household basis and only the name of the principal or nominated holder is required. Cost is £2. per annum. (Please bring to the AGM or return to Jim Gosden, 17 Ticknall Road) Membership year is 1st April to 31st March.

Name

Address

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Telephone Mobile

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Email

Number of Adults

I agree with the aims and objectives of the Association (see Constitution on website)

Signed Date

