

# Newsletter from Irton Parish Council

June 2024



## DEAR RESIDENTS

Following the resignation of our chairman on 16 May, the Irton Parish Council became inquorate and was unable to hold the Council meeting previously scheduled for 20 May. This was unfortunate timing as we had a busy agenda, including co-option of two new councillors. The North Yorkshire Council is taking steps to allow our 22 July meeting to proceed. In the interim we have received a third application for co-option and continue to encourage applications for the fourth vacancy. As the parish clerk is currently on indefinite leave, please contact me directly if you would like to receive an application form.

Also, please note that home delivery of the Newsletter will end once we have the capability to post it on our website. You can also receive a copy by email. Just send me an email providing your consent to be added to the email distribution list. If you do not have internet or email access, please call me to arrange for home delivery.

With kind regards, **Cllr John Luckock**, *Newsletter Editor* | **M:** 07814 891612 | **E:** [jluckock@outlook.com](mailto:jluckock@outlook.com)

## Since the last Newsletter

**13 April – Village Walkabout:** The walkabout was a very enjoyable morning, during which we checked on the condition of the council assets (benches, planter boxes, etc.). We were able to generate a more detailed listing, location maps and condition report which will ultimately be posted on our website. Thank you to Lesley, Anne, David, Richard and Shelley for taking part. Moving forward we hope to have the benches jet washed and planter boxes repainted. Please let me know if you would like to help.



**7 May – Community Award for Seamer, Crosgates and Irton:** At the Seamer Annual Parish Meeting, Cllr David Jeffels presented the 2024/2025 award to Marlene Parnell for her “*significant contribution to life in the community, including as a Councillor, Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Irton Parish Council, Church Warden of St Martin’s Church, Seamer and Trustee of Seamer & Irton War Memorial Hall*”.

**Congratulations Marlene and very well deserved! Thank you for your previous and ongoing service to our local communities.**

**6 June – D-Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** This day commemorated the invasion of the beaches at Normandy by Allied troops during World War II, more than 4,000 of whom lost their lives. Thank you to Richard Parnell for ensuring that the Union Jack was raised in the village to mark this solemn occasion.



## Drive Safely - Peep & Creep

Within the village there are many blind entrances and a blind T-Junction. The recommended practice to emerge safely in these situations is to Peep and Creep, moving forward slowly to improve your view and keep looking both ways for updates on oncoming vehicles. To assist drivers and pedestrians at the Porritt Lane & Green Island junction, two convex mirrors have been installed on Porritt Lane across from Green Island, providing additional visibility for oncoming traffic on Porritt Lane.



## Did You Know



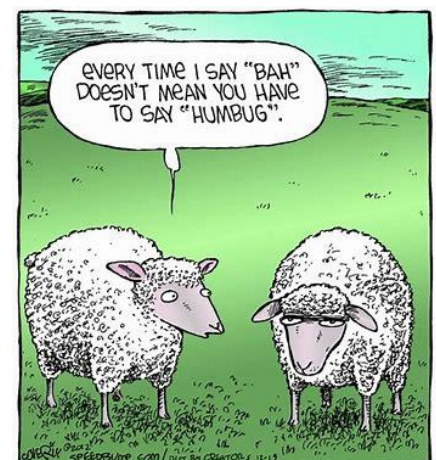
Throughout the village there are several plaques to provide some village history and to commemorate our late Queen Elizabeth II. Even our post box has some historical significance, being embossed with the royal cypher VR (Victoria Regina) which dates the box to the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. These are all worth looking for when walking through the village.

Rumour has it that a time capsule was buried to mark the 2000 Millennium. Is this true and does anyone know where it's located?

If you have any other historical information or points of interest regarding the village, please consider submitting them for inclusion in the newsletter.

## Friendly Reminders & Something to Make You Laugh

- Dog waste on village pavements and pathways continues to be a problem. Please consider others and pick up after your dog. There are three bins located on Main Street and one as you enter the fields from Grange Court.
- Parking on Main Street is creating difficulties for some residents pulling out of their driveways and creates significant congestion. Please park your cars and work vehicles with consideration for others, and on your own driveways if possible.
- There has been quite a lot of litter on the village streets, and most significantly along Ayton Road. Please dispose of litter properly to keep our village looking tidy. Thank you to Lesley and Malcolm, who have taken it upon themselves to pick up litter on a regular basis.



**We hope to see you at the next Council Meeting. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Your concerns and opinions are important in creating a better community for all.**