

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council Newsletter

Issue 74 Spring & Summer 2024

## Welcome to the latest issue of The Hart We hope that you find it useful and informative

This is my first issue as newly appointed Chairman, though having been on Council since 1979, I have held the office of Chairman previously.

I would like to thank my predecessor Ian Lloyd, who after 21 years on Council has decided to step down. Since coming to live in Harthill, Ian fully embraced the Village and its community groups, giving freely of his time and expertise. He will continue to take part in the bell ringing and In Bloom activity.

My thanks also to Carol Leigh and Paul Rowland for their work on Council and a warm welcome to our new Parish Councillors, Cllr: Mrs Sarah Day, Mrs Marnie Havard and Miss Fiona Radford. I am sure that they will become valuable members of our small team.

My main hope for Harthill and Woodall for the forthcoming year is to return to some kind of normality. The continued disruption to the parish to facilitate works by various utility companies had been difficult for everyone.

On a positive note, I am so pleased to see so many groups flourishing in the Parish, with new activities starting all the time. This is a tribute to how resourceful our parishioners are. It makes a wonderful place to live, where people should never be without something to do and groups to meet up with.

Finally, huge congratulations must go to The Carnival Society, volunteers past and present. 50 years of Carnival, what an achievement! The line up of events to celebrate this sounds very exciting and is a credit to all involved. Let's hope the weather is kind.

The Parish Council will be having a booth at the Carnival to talk about more ideas to improve the play area and indeed anything that you would like to chat about. Please come and see us.

The Hart magazine is put together by the clerk to the Parish Council. We always welcome any feedback, interesting articles or new ideas, so please get in touch with either me or Caroline, our Parish Clerk, if there is anything you'd like to raise. Parish Council contact details are on page 6.

#### Yorkshire Rose Award

Our Parish has been invited to take part in the new Yorkshire Rose Award Scheme. As part of the 60th anniversary of the National Britain in Bloom campaign, Yorkshire in Bloom are launching a new simple accreditation scheme for local communities. They have gone back to the original campaign launched in 1964 where Towns and Villages were rewarded for their local pride with three basic threads, Horticultural Impact, Cleanliness, and Provision of Public Amenities. Entrants will be judged by experienced Yorkshire in Bloom assessors in the period late June to early August on a "Mystery Visitor" experience, the assessors will have no requirement to meet anyone from the Village and will not give pre notice of their visit.

The entry will be judged on the following three criteria:

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HORTICULTURAL IMPACT: provision and maintenance of any hanging baskets, tubs, planted areas, gardens (private and public).

CLEANLINESS: lack of litter, condition of street furniture, including litter bins, public seating, signage, entrance signs etc.

PUBLIC AMENITIES: provision of shops, pubs, libraries, toilets, defibrillators, mini libraries, play areas/grounds, car parking, church grounds, meeting rooms/village halls, electric charging points and anything else that constitutes a shared public resource.

They are not looking for perfection, just a nice place to live in and visit which we know describes our Parish.

Assessment will be given in the form of Yorkshire Rose awards 1-5, five being the highest and a simple feedback form will be provided with three positive points and three areas for consideration. Council welcomes any feedback from this.

There is always a lot of care and dedication from parishioners to the gardens, verges and floral displays around the villages to ensure that we have villages to be proud of, we decided to share the details of our entry so that you are aware that there is an extra bit of Village Pride at stake this year.

Council will share the feedback in due course.

## Thank you Hazel class

Much fun was had by Hazel class when they opened the new Cableway on Spens Field. Please see page 6 for details.



Parish Council

Chairman





The theme for this year's parade is '50 Years of Carnival', a fitting tribute to our great tradition. We would like to make the parade bigger and better than ever before. We are therefore inviting all of the community to get involved. Whether you are an organisation, school, business or live in the community, we would love to have you involved in the parade. It doesn't have to be a float, it can be anything you think would add to the celebration. Please e-mail us at harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com if you would like to get involved.

We are delighted to announce that the very first Harthill Carnival Society chairman, Derrek Leigh, will be judging the parade and officially opening this year's Carnival & Show. This year we are excited to be bringing a Dinosaur and Live Pre-Historic Animal show in the Main Arena.



There will also be a Falconry display as well as performances from Vibe Dance and the City of Sheffield Gymnastics club. The Heavy Horse Show hosted by Mike & Dorothy Bingham will begin at 12 pm in the Horse Arena. There will also be a Rare Breeds enclosure for all the family to enjoy.

Crazy Devilz Circus Skills will be on hand to keep the younger (and Older!) kids entertained.

We are excited to be partnering with Children's Capital of Culture, which will be taking place for the very first time in 2025, with Rotherham having been chosen as the first host destination. There will be a number of activities taking place throughout the afternoon, which will also provide more insight and information about Children's Capital of Culture 2025.

The ever-popular Village Green will play host to Street Food vendors, Gin & Prosecco Bar as well as live entertainment.

There will be a big variety of stalls, fairground rides, vintage tractors and engines and classic cars.

2024 sees Harthill Carnival & Show celebrate its 50th anniversary. Since the very first Harthill Carnival, which took place in 1974 on Harthill Cricket field, Harthill Carnival & Show has evolved into a fantastic community annual event. Harthill Carnival Society are extremely proud and delighted to continue building on the original foundations laid down by the founding volunteers, and all of those who have contributed in the years since.

To begin the 50th year anniversary celebrations, we have partnered with Chef's Counter to bring you a Friday Night Dinner celebration in the Marquee. Chef's Counter is a not for profit hospitality events company who run public dining events in unique locations, and so was the perfect fit for our celebration dinner. All of the menu will use locally sourced produce, including potatoes grown here in Harthill by Oaklands Potato farm. Tickets are priced at £30 per person which includes a 3 course Dinner and there will be Magician entertainment by Andy Taylor.

Tickets can be purchased at: www.tickettailor.com/events/ chefscountercommunityinterestcompany/1215218



In the Marquee, you will be able to watch a fantastic montage of images from the last 50 years of Harthill Carnival & Show, brilliantly put together by Paul Rowland.

To bring the 50th Harthill Carnival & Show to a close, we are delighted to be bringing back, The Rhythm Detectives. Last year they went down a storm, so much so, that we were inundated with requests to bring them back again this year. Tickets will sell out, so please get yours before they go by e-mailing harthillcarnivaltickets2024@gmail.com or via mobile 07949552292.







SATURDAY 13TH JULY 2024- DOORS 19.30

TICKETS £15

harthillcarnivaltickets2024@gmail.com or call Paul Brookes on 07949552292

We look forward to seeing you all in July Harthill Carnival Society



### Soup and Song at Wales Kiveton Methodist Church



Since the start of this heartwarming community project back in September last year, it has provided much enjoyment, joy, and fun. Those coming along share in friendship, singing to the old songs, lunch and even dancing, and all this is completely FREE to everyone.

Whilst it is held at Wales/Kiveton Methodist Church (just opposite the Wales Primary School), the close proximity to neighbouring villages like Harthill, Woodall and Thorpe Salvin has resulted in a number of people from here coming together on a regular basis to share in the 2 hour sessions.

So why don't you come along too and see what you're missing; you will be assured of a warm welcome. These music sessions are held on the second Thursday of each month commencing at 12 noon through until 2 pm.

Dates for the rest of this year are June 13th, July 11th, Aug 8th, Sept 12th, Oct 12th, Nov 14th and Dec 12th and all free of charge.

A special thanks goes out to Greencore who have recognised the benefits that these sessions provide to our local communities and have now started to supply us with tasty soups, sandwiches and quiches to keep you all well fed.

So why not join us at our next event and share in the food, friendship, singing and dancing. Once you've been you will be back again for sure!

#### Northern Powergrid



Northern Powergrid's recent investment works, to increase the resilience and reliability of the vital local electricity network in and around Harthill with Woodall, and create capacity for new connections, is now finished. The company is working with Rotherham Council and local councillors to carry out reinstatement of grass verges, reseed the wildflower verge along Hard Lane and complete any other final repairs that are required.

The work provides immediate benefits for the local community and Woodall Services, one of the busiest motorway service areas in the north of England.

### All Hallows Church



#### **Dear Friends**

With so many people being new to the village I thought it might be good to share some of the fascinating history of your ancient parish church.

All Hallows', Harthill with Woodall, is a Grade 1 listed church, in the pretty village of Harthill. It is a house of prayer that has stood for nigh on 1000 years and is generally open as a quiet space in our increasingly turbulent world.

The exterior has wonderful examples of architecture between the 12th and 16th centuries and inside can be seen exquisite Italian wooden carvings on the pulpit and altar, a large chancel with marble floors and beautiful stained-glass windows.

Within 'Leeds Chapel' is the tomb of Thomas Osborne, a powerful politician who was Chancellor for King Charles II. He became 1st Duke of Leeds after involvement in the revolution of 1688. He restored the chapel and built a family crypt beneath it.

The tower was raised in height in the 15th century. Looking up, you can see the ancient gargoyles and dripstone heads. Inside the door is the ancient font. Nearby is a scratch dial (an early sundial), and an ancient stoup.

At the end of the nave, you can see the original rounded Norman arches on the left, whilst the south side has more recent pointed arches. The beautiful stained glass is exquisite. Several are attributed to the Florentine master, Ulisse De Matteis.

The large peaceful and beautifully maintained churchyard contains many ancient monuments, and the 17th century Old Schoolroom is adjacent.

#### **Reverend Gary**

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#### Hartwheelers



When I was a child living on Back Lane/Serlby Lane. I remember the frustrations and tantrums of learning how to ride a bike (in fact one day I actually threw the bike over a neighbour's hedge). However, the day came when I mastered the art. In those days all the bikes were "hand me downs". Cycling in the 1950's was the major pastime for me. Gradually riding bigger and bigger bikes until my dream bike (a Claud Butler with derailleur gears) became mine. I was about 14. Then, as time moves on, cycling takes a back seat. Motor bike at 16, car at 18, married at 24. The next time I rode a bike I was 65. My eldest son and I bought two mountain bikes, and, with my grandson, went to Sherwood Pines. Two days later I was in hospital with a heart complaint. I didn't ride again for a number of years, but I realised how unfit I was becoming and needed to get some exercise. (I found going to the gym too boring)

On one of our many shopping outings I came across an E bike and with my wife Elaine's encouragement I bought one. Elaine worried a great deal when I went out riding alone. I then heard about a meeting being arranged at the Leisure Centre with the aim of starting a cycling club in the village. I signed up and the rest is history.

Here I am now in my 79th year doing what I enjoyed 70 years ago. Becoming a member of 'Hartwheelers' has been a life changing experience, apart from the health, mental and physical benefits, we have a group of truly amazing people.

We have regular outings throughout the week. My favourite local ride is the Friday morning "Musketeers Ride" which always includes a cake and coffee stop at Netherthorpe Air Field. We also have 'special events' throughout the year. The most recent one being the Etap Loch Ness, where the roads were closed to traffic and 6,000 cyclists each rode 67 miles circumnavigating Loch Ness in Scotland. Fifteen of our members took part in this with massive local support - thank you to everyone who contributed - we raised £1,800 for Macmillan. Our next planned 'special event' is the Harthill Carnival parade on the 13th July. Anyone who is not on a float and would like to take part in the parade is invited to join us. Children accompanied by adults are welcome.

'Hartwheelers' is blessed with members who are trained in cycle coaching, first aid and bike maintenance and we welcome new participants of all ages and abilities. We have a great camaraderie within the club, and everyone helps everyone or as the Friday Musketeers say "All for one and one for all". So don't be shy, if you feel like having a go then chat to any of us when you see us in the village or contact Ruth or Jim 07786543408.

By Stephen Shimwell

South Farm Avenue



It's been so lovely to finally see the sun and enjoy being in the garden without getting soggy feet! The weather has been quite a challenge to all growers these past few months but how cheerful all the gardens around the village are now looking.

After a few changes within the HDGA committee group we look forward to exciting community events this year and hope you will find something you, your family and the children can take part in.

Jill and Jenny stepped down from their roles after many years of dedicated service and they have been so helpful in the transition to new team members who now include Carole Evans as Chair, Kathy Esberger as Secretary, Ann Woodward as Treasurer, ably assisted by a support team.

Many of our events are those you will have enjoyed in past years and will be advertised around the village.

Look out for:

- HDGA large flowers at Harthill Carnival on 13th July, as we give you ideas for joining in with the MAKE, GROW and SHOW event.
- MAKE, GROW and SHOW, a colourful day celebrating all we can grow in allotments and gardens, talented flower arrangers, delicious baking and preserves, artist and crafters, and our amazing children and young people growing and crafting. Our theme this year is celebrating 50 years of Harthill Carnival, and the show takes place on Sunday September 15th.
- Pumpkins and Prosecco Saturday 26th October.
- Christmas Wreath Making Saturday 7th December.

We wish you all a lovely summer enjoying the peace and tranquillity of your garden or allotment, that nature all around us provides.

**HDGA Committee** 



# Harthill Well Dressing Group



This summer's well dressing opening will be held on Monday the 8th July at 7 pm, this will be taking place around the well area at the bottom of Doctor Lane.

The Well Dressing will be blessed by Gary Schofield, priest in charge of Harthill Parish Church.

Harthill school children and Harthill Voices will sing for us. Harthill Morris will dance for us.

Afterwards Harthill Morris will be dancing at The Blue Bell, Harthill.

Our future plans are to hold a coffee morning during Autumn, more news on this in the September Hart.

We will also be producing a Christmas collage and holding the opening in Harthill Parish Church.

Please look out for posters around the village advertising the event.

The Well Dressing Group meet throughout the year, usually on a Wednesday morning and our meetings last about an hour.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact Barbara Gunby on 01909 771328 or Anne Lloyd on 01909 773942

You would be made most welcome.

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### Peregrine Way Community Centre

We are continuing to run the following activities on a weekly basis:

- Monday Coffee Mornings 10 am 11/11.30 am Cost £1 which includes refreshments.
- Tuesday Art Group 10 am to 12 Noon led by Deborah Gibson. Cost £2.50 includes refreshments and art equipment.
- Wednesday Volunteer Gardening Group maintain the gardens mainly throughout spring & summer. Preparation has been made and new plants are being grown from seed or purchased locally and planted. We are hoping that residents will want to come along anytime between 10 am - 4 pm on a weekday when the weather is good to sit on their own or with a neighbour and enjoy the garden.
- Wednesday Evenings 6 pm 8 pm: Last year's Knit & Natter group stopped over the autumn and winter months but is hoping to restart for the summer evenings if there is enough interest. Beginners through to experts are welcome to join us. Cost is £1 which includes refreshments.
- Thursday 12 Noon to 2.30 pm Lunch Club. Cost is £6.50 per head and includes a hot main course and a hot dessert followed by Tea or Coffee and of course plenty of conversation. We hold a Raffle - £1.00 per ticket for the chance to win a free lunch at the next lunch the winner attends. Once the meal, supplied by Dinnington Resource Centre, is over and the tables are cleared, we get down to the serious business of our 'Play Your Cards Right' at £1 per ticket. If no-one wins on the 3 draws, on that day, we roll over 'the pot' to the following week and so on, until it is eventually won. We then finish with Bingo - 3 games are played at cost of £1.50. Please see how to book below.
- COACH TRIPS Using Johnson Coaches we enjoyed the Skipton Christmas Market trip on 3rd December. Unfortunately, a number of people had to drop out that morning, but those that went enjoyed their day. On Monday 29th April a full coach went to Bakewell with Peregrine Members, Harthill Afternoon Tea members and WI Members and residents. Afterwards the coach took us to The Royal Oak at Barlborough for a 5 pm Monday Madness Menu Meal. A good time was had by all.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS WE HELD WINTER 2023/SPRING 2024

SATURDAY 6TH JANUARY - Afternoon Tea at 2 pm SATURDAY 30TH MARCH - Easter Tea at 2 pm

FUTURE EVENTS PLANNED AS WE CONTINUE THROUGH 2024 SUNDAY 30TH JUNE - COACH TRIP TO BRIDLINGTON

#### CONTACTS:

Thursday Lunch bookings (by Mid-day Monday) -Sue MacDonald 07974 227 573 Coach Trip Bookings -Sue Klinker 07787 551 459 for information and to list your interest.

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Notice of Meeting The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 11th June 2024 at Harthill Village Hall at 7 pm

The Agenda for this meeting will be on the Parish Council website by the Thursday preceding the meeting or by request from the Clerk

> clerk@harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk www.harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk



Clerk to the Council Caroline Havenhand

My working days are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10 am until 4 pm and Wednesday 10 am until 12 noon

The Village Hall, Winney Hill Harthill, Sheffield, S26 7YL Contact detail - Telephone - 01709 528823 Email - clerk@harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk

### Thank You Hazel Class

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council was delighted recently to open its new 30 metre Cableway at Spens Field, Woodall Lane, Harthill, with help of children from Harthill Primary School. The children had lots of fun trying out this new piece of equipment.

Late last year, Harthill with Woodall Parish Council was delighted to learn that it had been successful in obtaining funding towards the Cableway from Northern Powergrid's Community Scheme and National Lottery 'Awards for All'.

Following the opening, in 2022, of 'Platinum Jubilee Corner', for our youngest parishioners, we received appeals for something a bit more exciting for the older children to play on. Funding was applied for to try and make this possible.

The Parish Council has contributed to the project with funding received as Community Infrastructure Levy on new housing in the Parish, but this project would not be possible without the funding support received, for which we are most grateful. Council would also like to thank Balfour Beatty for their support in repairing the steps to the slide.

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**Parish Councillors** 

Joy Pattison (Chairman)	01909	772727
Steve Green	01909	773056
Barbara Gunby	01909	771328
Charmaine Hamer	.07701	055624
Julian Morley	01909	770231
Liz Simmonite	.01909	770921
Sarah Day	07710	431136
Marnie Havard		
Fiona Radford	07846	614015

Chairman Cllr. Ian Lloyd said "We continually look at ways to improve our play area. We want it to be a place where families can spend time together outdoors, an area where carers can meet for social interaction and where children can play together and have fun."

This was Cllr. Ian Lloyds last opening event as Chairman as, after 21 years' service on the Parish Council, he retired on 14th May.

Rafal Shawkat, Project Manager, Northern Powergrid said: "Our social impact programme was set up to support community initiatives. On the back of our recent work to improve the electricity network in Harthill with Woodall, we worked closely with the Parish Council to identify opportunities to leave a lasting legacy and we're very happy to see the equipment we've co-funded being enjoyed by so many local children today.

We also want to acknowledge our contractor Balfour Beatty whose team has cleared weeds, repaired walls and fences and carried out a number of other maintenance activities to support the local community."

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During the last few months there seems to have been a great deal of fly tipping in the country lanes around Harthill and Woodall, particularly on Common Road, Harthill (Loscar).

If you see any fly tipping, please report it to RMBC, it is very easy to do this online at:

Street care & cleansing: Report fly-tipping Instructions - Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council.

Links are also available under the 'Useful Links' page on the Parish Council website. Generally, RMBC are soon out to clear it away. Please don't remove anything like addresses from the rubbish. Instead take a photo if its possible, without touching anything, and upload this with your report.

Whilst the Parish Council does employ a groundsman to pick litter regularly, the Parish Council would like to thank all the volunteers who take the time to pick up litter while out walking. It makes a tremendous difference to our village lanes if we can keep them clean and litter free.

Summer is on the way and the countryside will look its best. What a shame it should be spoiled with something we could all do something about. Please take fast food containers, plastic bottles, and cans home with you.

If you are doing D.I.Y there is a nearby dumpsite in our area. It is situated between Todwick and Dinnington, it is near the industrial estate, from Todwick Road, turn onto Common Road. The waste site is at the junction of Common Road and Houghton Road.

Opening times are:

- 1st April to 30th September 10 am to 6.30 pm - last entry 6.15 pm
- 1st October to 31st March 10 am to 4 pm - last entry 3.45 pm.

We should all take responsibility for the upkeep of the countryside around us.

#### Parish Council Activities

Litter

One of our new Councillors expressed surprise at the range of items that the Parish Council gets involved in to support the Parish. I was asked to try and outline some of the areas that we are currently working on to help parishioners understand our roles better.

The Parish Council cannot fix roads, install highway safety signs or restrictions, or stop utility works from being done or even influence when they are scheduled. There is a useful links page on the Parish Council website to help you find the right place to report these issues.

We do liaise as much as possible with any outside body who is working in the village and feedback issues, raising them with RMBC where there are deficiencies. Councillors have, last week, accompanied Ward Councillors on a walk about with NPG and Balfour Beatty to review areas that still need work.

Councillors are visiting the Reservoir with representatives from CRT in the next week to see the changes that have been made and discuss the paths around the ponds.

Councillors are shortly to meet with RMBC to discuss issues with Grass Cutting in the Parish.

Council remains concerned about parking around the village and speeding. Council have asked that the speed Camera be moved down to Woodall Lane and Ward Councillors have assured us that soon additional speed bumps are being added as well as yellow lines on parts of Union Street. The Parish Council are currently planning to have parking lines and signage placed on Woodall Lane car park to encourage people to park and walk, particularly to school, if a vehicle needs to be used.

Our village play offering is important. Council is working through a 5-year improvement plan, with the first two years complete. The new Tots play area and the new Cableway have both been well received. It is the Parish Council that maintain Spens Field and all play facilities. CCTV and lighting there is also Parish Council funded. New signage has just been installed.

Doctor Lane Play Area and the Wildflower area, hanging baskets and all the In Bloom planting is done by Councillors working with a group of brilliant volunteers.

4 Defibrillator are regularly checked and funded by the Parish Council.

Whilst Council don't manage road signage, we did speak to RMBC and managed to get an 'e' added to Peregrin(e) after a query from a new parishioner. We always try to help.

Projects are always ongoing. These are sometimes the ideas of Councillors or the suggestion of parishioners. An example of this would be Festival Verge. Often our projects need more funds that we raise in precept, so our clerk actively looks for pockets of funding and applies for these to enable us to invest in the assets that we have.

Street cleaning is the responsibility of the Borough Council; however, the Parish Council do employ a part time handyman to keep the village free of litter.

The Parish Council maintain the Village Hall, Leisure Centre and Workbench, though they are all run by volunteers. Allotment sites are also owned and operated by the Parish Council.

For a long tome Council have been asking RMBC for a cycle lane on Hard Lane and trying to get a safe path between Harthill and Woodall. These are still high priority. Council welcomes the work of the new 'Harthill Active Travel' group who also want to hi-light the importance of these and other travel connectivity issues.

Its important to remember that Councillors are volunteers that live in the village, they receive no recompense for the role. They do it for the love of the place that they live. If you have an idea, they are always happy to listen.





Covering Harthill, Kiveton, Wales, Waleswood and Woodall

Councillor Dominic Beck

#### Ward Councillor Update

Firstly, we would like to thank everyone for their support in the recent local elections which meant we were reelected and given the opportunity to serve our fantastic community again. As we promised during the campaign, we will always try our very best and work hard for the betterment of Harthill and Woodall.

We recently held a walkabout with the Parish Council and representatives of Balfour Beatty to highlight the attention that many of the grassed verges still need across Harthill and Woodall. Especially on Woodall Lane, Hard Lane and Killamarsh Lane. We got commitment from them that they would do some additional work to return them back to how they looked before they came to do their works. Hopefully this time they will have them looking how they should.

We have been working with the 'Harthill Active Travel' Group to make the case to RMBC and other bodies for better and more connected footpaths and bridleways across our area which will benefit walkers, riders and cyclists. Improving connections across the wider area will benefit everyone. Hopefully we can gain some traction with the powers that be. No pun intended!

Finally, we were delighted to join the Parish Council to formally open the new zip-wire on Spens Field. This now makes Harthill a go to place for all ages for recreation and play with the array of equipment available.

As we promised, the Wildflowers will be back bigger and better than ever this summer so watch out for them soon! Best wishes for now,

Dominic and Marnie

#### Cllr Dominic Beck

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#### Harthill Workbench

Where is everyone? Since before Easter we have had very few members using the workshop. Has it been the weather? Have people been busy doing other things? Perhaps our opening hours are in need of review and changing? Do let us know please.

We have had another delivery of mahogany of an even better quality than our last delivery. For those of you who have benefited from our previous lot you will know what a bargain it is. We also have oak boards and other hardwood at VERY competitive prices.

We are a not-for-profit organisation. The workshop is fully equipped with modern tools and machines, all available for use by members.

We are open Wednesday to Sunday inclusive 10 am to 2 pm. Just come along, we are located in Harthill Leisure Centre. There is plenty of parking on the adjacent car park in front of Spens Field.

We are very happy to teach woodworking skills to novices or leave you to get on with your project if you don't need our help.

Drop in any time, we are open for a chat .... the kettle is always on.



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### Receipts & Payments Summary 2023/2024

This is a summary of the Parish Council's income and expenditure, these are draft figures pending the outcome of our annual assurance review. The accounts are for the period 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024.

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		nmary of Receipts & Payments for the	year ei		2024	
	2022/2023	Receipts	1	2023/2024	1	
£	64,800	Precept	£	66,000		
£	171	Interest	£	700		
£	1,378	Allotments / Garages	£	2,519		
£	50,000	Grants Received	£	20,193		
£	-	Bench Donations	£	-		
£	-	Community Infrastructure Levy	£	9,982		
£	-	Donations	£	-		
£	16,151	VAT Recovered	£	3,417		
£	132,500	Total Income	£	102,811		
	2022/2023	Payments				2023/20
£	4,538	Admin/Supplies/Expenses/Audit			£	5.60
£	27,925	Salary / Wages			£	29,42
£	1,889	Insurance			£	2,74
£	398	Subscriptions			£	99
£	1,400	Leisure Centre			£	56
£	8,530	Green Spaces/landscaping			£	12,09
£	3,533	Village Hall			£	41
£	1,829	Allotments & Gardens			£	1,95
£	2,710	YIB			£	2,88
£	2,219	Section 137			£	2,09
£	-	Grants excl 137			£	-
£	8,438	CIL Monies Spent			£	-
£	54,393	Projects			£	9,08
£	15,339	VAT Paid			£	4,13
£	133,141	Total Payments	-		£	71,98
		Bank Balance at 01.04.2023	£	60,882		
		Unpresented Cheque from 2023/2024			£	-
		Bank Balance at 31.03.2024			£	91,71
		Totals	£	163,693	£	163,69
	The abov	e statement represents fairly the financia	positic	on of the Auth	2	
		31st March 2024 - Draft subje	ct to au	dit.		
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Date		9th April 2024	+			

#### **Memorial Benches**

The Parish Council has a couple of locations in the Parish where a new bench would be beneficial. Previously Council have offered the opportunity for new benches to be purchased as memorial benches. The parishioner would donate the cost of the bench and plaque and the Parish Council would deal with installation, insurance and maintenance.

If you would like to express an interest, please contact the clerk on clerk@harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk

### Harthill Netball Club



It's been quite a year for Harthill Netball!

In 2022 we formed another team called Hart Fillies who played in the Chesterfield League Division 3 and this year they have successfully just got promotion into League Division 2. Our other teams have also had success with the First Team ending the season as runner up, and our Tuesday team have won the league for the last three times. Due to the number of new members still joining, we started up yet another brand new team in Division 3 last September, called Hart Belles, making an incredible 6 teams in total, which from a small village netball club is guite amazing! It's also congratulations to our new Chairperson Lisa Newbold, who won the prestigious award of 'Most Valued Player in the league'. Finally, one of our ladies, Jamie, has worked hard creating a new design for our dresses/kit, which we are all now proudly wearing for matches. So, whether you have never played before or want to come back into netball, come and join us (first training session free) for fun, exercise and to meet new friends. Matches are played on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and we train every Wednesday at Harthill Leisure Centre from 7 pm - 8.30 pm. The first half an hour is used for skills practice followed by an hour of game time.

For further information please contact -Chris Harper on 07743223913 or Jill Perrozzi on 0759595936.

### Harthill and Woodall Memories and History Society

On Saturday 6th July, Harthill with Woodall Memories and History Society and Harthill with Woodall WI are hosting a joint event to celebrate 50 years of Harthill Carnival.

There will be a display of photographs of previous carnivals and carnival society events etc, and excellent refreshments. 10 am - 2 pm at the Village Hall.



## Harthill-with-Woodall WI - May 2024

Our WI motto: Live simply, Love generously, Care deeply & Speak kindly

How has it suddenly become May 2024 and another newsletter?

One minute we were talking about Christmas, blinked and it was all Easter bunnies and eggs, followed by two more bank holidays and here we are in summer (hopefully).

The WI camaraderie ensures ladies feel connected whether over WhatsApp, in person at meetings or at social events, and by simply knowing that they have someone to chat to, whenever they need it.

Our WI evenings continue to bring much entertainment, enjoyment, but most of all, companionship, and friendship to a number of ladies from Harthill and surrounding villages. We've now welcomed our 59th member!

If you're interested in joining us, wherever you may live, but are worried about driving to Harthill, do get in touch as it is more than likely we can support you.

Our regular Friday morning coffee meetings have continued. We meet most Friday mornings from 10:30 am for coffee in The Blue Bell, and we welcome all ladies from the village and surrounding area, whether WI members or not.

Once again, our WI life has been busy:

- November gave us an opportunity to remember our childhood with the lovely collection of Antiques shared with us by Grahame Farleigh
- Early December saw us at our own village pub, The Beehive where 45 of us enjoyed the start of the Christmas festivities with a superb meal served by Emma and her Team - what an asset to our village, known far and wide.
- WI ladies once again supported Harthill Primary School by providing refreshments after the children's Christmas performance (just as good as the Rotherham, Sheffield and Dinnington performances!)
- And then our WI Christmas meeting where we celebrated with nibbles and a Lucky Dip to get us in the mood for the big day.
- January was certainly different, after our arranged speaker unfortunately had to cancel- we had an hilarious Beetle Drive and what fun as people made up their own rules on each table!
- February was very popular as ladies snapped up bargains in the Silent Auction a great chance to recycle purchases/gifts no longer wanted.
- March blew in with a trip to The Wizard of Oz at Dinnington Lyric Theatre, followed by the AGM which included a Quiz.
- April was uplifting as we were treated to a bra demonstration on sizing and fitting.

#### ADVANCE WARNING!

Calendar Girls is going to be nothing compared to our Carnival Float this year. Come and join us! We meet every third Tuesday in the month at 7:15 pm in the Village Hall. New members are always welcome.





The four years since I was first elected to represent our area have flown by, and so much has changed over those four years. Perhaps my biggest change is that I have become a father - twice! Persephone and Charlotte growing up in Harthill has been a magical experience for us all. I know that they love our home, and I couldn't imagine a better place for them to start out in life. All of our friends and neighbours in the village have always been so kind to them, be it in the playgrounds or in the shops. The sense

of community here is truly special and something my family and I cherish and which we look forward to on our return home from Westminster every week. Harthill really is the perfect place to bring up children, and we are proud to call it our home.

Across Rother Valley, it has been a joy to see life returning after a cold winter. Flowers are now in full bloom across our area and the fields and woods around the village are bursting with life. Works on the reservoir look to be moving forward, and I much look forward to seeing that area restored to its previous beauty; allowing anglers, sailors, and walkers to return and an end to the trucks and diggers at the edge of our village. I was recently reminded that it has been almost exactly three years since the lifting of the third and final covid lockdown.

### Canal & River Trust

Harthill Project Update - As of 21st May 2024

We are working hard to complete the Harthill Reservoir upgrade project by the end of summer 2024 (weather conditions permitting) and would like to thank the community for their understanding during this time as we head towards completion.

We apologise for the delays to this project, which have been due in part to successive storms and heavy rainfall from autumn 2023, restricting the use of heavy machinery and access inside the reservoir. Changes to the design and the construction programme, as informed by our onsite investigations, have also contributed to the extension of this project.

The footpath will be reopened at the end of summer once the construction works are completed, and we will be installing a pedestrian footbridge over the reservoir.

For latest information visit our website Harthill Reservoir Upgrade | Canal & River Trust (canalrivertrust.org.uk)

For any enquiries relating to the project, please contact our team on: freephone: 0800 028 8141 or email: harthill@canalrivertrust.org.uk

For emergency / out of hours assistance (including requests for 'fish rescues') please contact Canal & River Trust: 0303 040 4040

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The dark days of the pandemic are now firmly in our rearview mirror and, seeing the pubs and shops vibrant and busy, it does seem like a lifetime ago that we endured those long months without being able to see our friends, family, and neighbours. While we will never forget the pain that covid caused to so many, I know we are all pleased it is over and that Harthill and Woodall has been able to rebuild and move forward. That is why my focus continues to be on improving our local transport links and cutting down on crime and anti-social behaviour.

Of course, the summer is also a busy time for us all in Harthill. I always greatly enjoy the Harthill Carnival in July. My family and I are looking forward to both the parade, which passes yards from our front door, and all the planned events - especially the dog show! We are also looking forward to the King's Official Birthday. Truly a time for celebration, especially as he and Princess Catherine so bravely battle their respective illnesses. Last year, I had the pleasure of meeting His Majesty the King, and I hope that both he and the Princess will be aware of the good will that we in Harthill and Woodall all send their way. Finally, I will be making the most of the warm evenings to get out and about, meeting as many of my neighbours as I can. If I can ever be of assistance, please do let me know.

As ever, if I can be of service in any way, and you have not managed to speak to me while I have been around and get in touch with about, please me at alexander.stafford.mp@parliament.uk or call my office on 01909 494 952.



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### Harthill Morris

#### Hi Folks,

Harthill Morris are now in full swing and performing out with our traditional 'Spring Summer Tour of Fun, Merriment, Music, Dance, and Mischief'.



And this time we are overjoyed to be performing with our three new members, Jen, Kev, and Marek. To celebrate welcoming our new recruits we have replaced the side's kit. So, it's out with the old washed-out faded costume as we proudly dance in our brand-new tabards and waistcoats.

Our first performance of the new season was at the Ridgeway Farmers Market, but coming up, in and around Harthill, we are performing at:

- The Travellers Rest, High Moor
- (the ultimate end of Woodall Lane) at 8 pm, 30th May • Hardwick Inn at 1 pm, 9th June
- Harthill Well Dressing, 7 pm, 8th July
- Harthill Carnival Procession, 12.30 pm, 13th July
- Duke of Leeds, Wales, 8 pm, 18th July
- The Beehive, Harthill, 8 pm, 8th August

We are also performing at events further afield throughout the summer, details can be found on our Facebook page and Harthill Morris website.

Please come and join in the fun and support your village Morris side - we will reach our 50th anniversary in 2026. We always welcome and encourage new members, so if you enjoy our performances and fancy joining the merry throng of dancers and musicians, then have a word with any of the side at the above events, or contact our Bagman, Lesley Ellam at harthill.bagman@gmail.com. Wassail!!

#### **Darren Nugent**

harthillmorris.org.uk, Facebook: Harthill Morris



#### Harthill Leisure Centre

Located at the side of Car Park, Spens Field, Harthill

Summer 2024 feels like it's already here as we write this after another sunny weekend in May, hopefully it's a sign of things to come. At Harthill Leisure Centre the sun is also shining as our planned summer activities get underway!

The bowling green is ready, and matches have started. Social bowling is available each week on Tuesday and Friday, 2-4 pm; everyone welcome. We also had the pleasure of students from Wales High School learning the sport recently.

Harthill Workbench continue to use the facility all year round and please do read their input to the summer Newsletter so you can get involved.



Which leaves our other two main facilities - the all-weather sports court and our small kitchen and meeting room. Sadly - these facilities are underused. But the committee are trying to do something about that and hope you are able to support us on Saturday June 15th for our open morning.

The 'Open Morning', which starts at 10 am will see charitable efforts from the 2025 Wales High School Zanzibar students, raising money with their Brunch Tea Room and raffle. There will also be an array of craft and specialist food stalls, a performance from Harthill Village Voices and a packed programme of sport on the bowling green all morning and other sports on the court. We're looking forward to seeing the Harthillies Netball team around as well as a new group looking to launch 'Walking Netball'. We also have a new sport to the centre as we try to launch Pickleball.

So much to see and do throughout the morning and we hope you can come down and support us. Hope to see you on Saturday 15th June from 10 am - open until 1 pm.

For bookings and pitch reservations contact details and information can be found:

Leisure Centre - Harthill with Woodall Parish Council (harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk)



## Harthill Cricket Club

Following initial delays due to rain, the 2024 Bassetlaw League cricket season is now fully underway. The first team have had a difficult start to the season, amongst others, playing 2 teams relegated from the Notts Premier League last season.

The 1st game of the season was against Farnsfield at home and resulted in a 47-run defeat. When we bowled Farnsfield out for 169, with the returning Tom Marsh taking 3-34 and debutant Izuru Jayakody 4-41 it seemed like Harthill would have a good chance of victory, even more so following a 44-run opening partnership and then being 87-2. However, Farnsfield's Australian spinner then proceeded to take 5 for 29 and the Harthill innings ended on 122 with Izuru top scoring with 31.

Batting first at Papplewick, we posted an "OK" total of 188 all out with Dom Cumming scoring 55 and new overseas player Richard Perkins scoring 56. In reply, Papplewick passed the Harthill total with 11 balls and 2 wickets to spare. Jamie Taylor 3-37 the pick of the bowlers. On Bank Holiday Monday we travelled to Welbeck needing to get the season started properly and were indebted to Bradie Shaw, batting at number 7, scoring 72 not out, in our total of 196-9. Despite including three first team players, Welbeck were never really in the running being bowled out for 102 in the 37th over with captain Chris Page picking up 4-17.

We then moved on to a pair of fixtures against Bawtry, in the league game, we lost by 30 runs. Bawtry scoring 230-6 (Chris Page 4-34) and in reply Dom Cumming top scored with 71. This was followed up by a Sunday T20 cup game with Bawtry again emerging victorious, posting 162-7 before dismissing Harthill in the final over for 120.



Looking forwards to games later in May and early June, the fixture list is much kinder to us and we are hoping to get the season back on track. The standout game being the "Hard Lane Derby" against Kiveton on 8th June (midday start).

The 2nd team have played three games to date, winning two and losing 1. We started off with a heavy defeat at home to Worksop, when we could only manage 83 all out (Andrew Collinson 46), chasing Worksop's 157 all out. This was followed by an epic win away in the beautiful surroundings of Wiseton Hall in a game that had a Lama (or was it an Alpaca?) grazing in the field next to the ground. Batting first Harthill scored 146-6 from our 40 overs with Andy Collinson again top scorer with 41. In reply Wiseton set off well and were always ahead of the required run rate, whilst we kept getting crucial wickets. After taking the 8th wicket, we needed 2 more wickets and Wiseton just 11 runs with a batsman well set on 70 not out. Antony Widdison put his hand up to bowl and bowled the best 2 overs of his life, 2 overs, 2 maidens and the crucial wicket of their main batsman. As tensions mounted, Chris Woodward dismissed the Wiseton number 11 with the total on 145 giving Harthill a 1 run victory and sparking huge celebrations from the players. Archie Plant, Will Bloodworth & Chris Woodward all picked up 3 wickets.

In our last game, we proved too strong for Farnsfield 3rd team. Harthill scoring 190-8, thanks to Matt Plant's 80 not out, before dismissing Farnsfield for 94, with postman Chris Woodward delivering 5 wickets for 20 runs.

All fixtures and results can be found at: https://harthill.play-cricket.com/home Finally, I'd like to thank our loyal sponsors whose support is crucial to the club. Ibstock Building Solutions, The Beehive, Newett Homes & Formist.

#### Upcoming Home Games

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### Harthill Active Travel

Active Travel is a national initiative which embraces walking and cycling, trips made by wheelchair, mobility scooters, adapted cycles, e-cycles, scooters, as well as cycle loan schemes. Travel to work, travel to school, travel for recreation, travel to protect the environment and to promote physical and mental health and wellbeing.

Harthill and Woodall are surrounded by beautiful green spaces including Kiveton Community Woodland, the Harthill Reservoirs and the Chesterfield Canal. There are two nearby railway stations. Beyond is Rother Valley Country Park and the TPT (Trans Pennine Trail commuter route) to both Sheffield and Rotherham.

There are no safe cycling or all-weather walking and wheeling routes from Harthill or Woodall to access or connect any of these places. Harthill Active Travel wants to see existing public rights of way upgraded to create traffic-free shared access paths joining:

- 1. Harthill and Kiveton along Hard Lane
- 2. Harthill and Woodall along Woodall Lane
- 3. Woodall and Wales between Walseker Lane and Coalpit Lane
- 4. Harthill Reservoir and Woodall along Dowcarr Lane
- 5. Harthill and the Kiveton Community Woodland

#### Harthill Active Travel needs your support

The more people who voice their views the more negotiating power we have. How would you use a better connected active travel network? Please share your story or offer your support by emailing:

Please share your story or offer your support by emailing: harthillactivetravel@gmail.com

