

The Hart

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council Newsletter

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Spring/Summer 2025

Welcome to the latest issue of The Hart

This is our first of three newsletters for 2025. We issue them in late May, September and December. They are for Harthill with Woodall Parish Council to share news and updates, but also it is a magazine for the community to share events and activities. We hope that you will find it useful and informative.



Joy Pattison
Parish Council
Chairman

When I wrote last year in the winter issue, my hope was for Harthill and Woodall to return to some kind of normality. This continues to elude us with the Parish now facing planning requests for battery storage on Hard Lane and the huge Whitestone Solar Farm proposal. The link to the objection letter sent by the Parish Council, in relation to the battery storage facility application made by Harmony Energy, can be found on the news page of our website. The Whitestone proposal is classed as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) which means that RMBC are only a consultee, and the decisions are made by the Planning Inspectorate based on National Planning Policy. We expect to hear more about this as autumn approaches. It is concerning that we are starting to see the introduction of a new term called 'Grey Belt' which seeks to recolour large portions of the Green Belt making it available for development.

On a positive note, in the Parish there has already been some great activities this year. The Easter Egg Hunt by the Carnival Society was good fun and the VE Day 80 celebration was a touching tribute to those that lived and died during World War 2. There was a great turn out and the Parish Council would like to thank all those involved in the event, particularly Councillor Fiona Radford, wearing both her Parish Councillor and Harthill Voices 'hats'.

There are lots of other events planned, so please read on to see which ones you might enjoy taking part in.

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 7.

Golden
Rose
Award



This year our Parish has been invited to compete for the Golden Rose Award - to find the overall winner of the Yorkshire Region. Last year as part of the 60th anniversary of the national 'Britain in Bloom' campaign, Harthill with Woodall Parish Council entered a new accreditation scheme for local communities and was awarded the highest recognition of 5 Roses. This year entrants will again 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:

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.

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 a Parish to be proud of. Our result last year reflects this and the pride our parishioners take.

Council will share the feedback in due course.



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Harthill Carnival Society introduces Harthill Carnival & Show 2025

Friday Night Dinner in The Marquee

To get this year's proceedings underway, we are delighted to once again 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 is the perfect fit for Harthill Carnival & Show.

The menu will use locally sourced produce, including potatoes grown here in Harthill by Oaklands Potato Farm. Tickets are priced at £35.00 per person (+ £1.50 booking fee), which includes a three-course dinner.

There will be live acoustic entertainment by singer, Damian Farrell.

Tickets can be purchased at:
www.tickettailor.com/events/chefscountercommunityinterestcompany/1652988
Or by scanning the QR Code.



The Parade

The Parade starts at 12.15 pm on Saturday 12th July.

2025 sees the very first ever 'Children's Capital of Culture' taking place, and Rotherham has been chosen as the very first host destination. It is therefore fitting to announce that this year's parade theme will be 'Children's Capital of Culture'. We are inviting any groups, organisations and individuals who would like to take part in the parade to get in touch via e-mail, harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com.

Get creative and bring some fun and colour to this year's street parade. You do not necessarily need to have a vehicle; you can also walk or cycle in the parade!

Harthill Carnival & Show 2025

Harthill Carnival & Show will take place on Spens Field on Saturday 12th July 2025.

Entry for adults £4.00, and children £3.00.

There will be a variety of activities to enjoy and things to see: Rare Breeds, Heavy Horse Show, Live Wrestling, Live Music, Stalls and Dance Troops. There will be a big variety of stalls, fairground rides, vintage tractors and engines and classic cars. Crazy Devilz Circus Skills will be on hand to keep the younger (and older!) kids entertained, as well as plenty of children's activities.

There will also be a Bar & Prosecco/Gin Bar as well as Food Vendors.



Areas to head for...



The Heavy Horse Show starts at 12 noon in the Horse Arena. This will be hosted by Mike & Dorothy Bingham. Schedules and further information are available from the Heavy Horse Secretary, Mike Bingham 07850941741. There will also be a rare breeds enclosure for all the family to enjoy.

The ever-popular Village Green will play host to Street Food vendors, Beer Tent, Gin & Prosecco Bar as well as live entertainment. This year we will have a number of new and different food vendors for you to enjoy, so make sure you head to the Village Green to grab a bite and a beverage!

In the Main Arena we are excited to be bringing Live Wrestling. There will also be performances from the City of Sheffield Gymnastics Club, Irish dancing and more.



In The Evening

To bring this year's Harthill Carnival & Show to a close, we are delighted to be bringing back The Rhythm Detectives. Back again by huge demand, tickets will sell out, so please get yours before they go - Early Bird discount £10.00.

by e-mailing harthillcarnaltickets2025@gmail.com
or via mobile: 07949 552292
Doors open 7.30 pm

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Support

We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Harthill with Woodall Parish Council for kindly awarding us £1500 towards the cost of this year's Carnival & Show. The Parish Council have consistently supported Harthill Carnival Society over the years and continue to do so, not just towards the Carnival & Show, but to the various events we do in the village throughout the year. As a society, we rely on the generosity of organisations like Harthill with Woodall Parish Council, businesses, individuals and you the local community who support the carnival in great numbers, and for that we are truly grateful.

Like everyone, the increase in general costs has by no means bypassed us as a society. Last year the cost of staging Harthill Carnival & Show was approximately £27,000, and this will only continue to increase this year and beyond. Clearly this is not an insignificant amount, and if the Carnival is to continue long into the future, we will continue to need support from the many organisations, businesses and individuals along the way.

If you are a business, work for a business or know of any organisations for whom we may be able to apply to for funding/grants, then please do let us know by dropping us an e-mail to:
harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com

Defibrillator Training at Harthill Village Hall

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council is delighted to announce that another training session has been booked at the Village Hall on Saturday 18th October at 11 am. The session will be delivered by Yorkshire Ambulance Service and will cover CPR as well. The event is entirely free and the feedback that we had when we last held the event was very positive. Please come along.



VE Day Celebrations

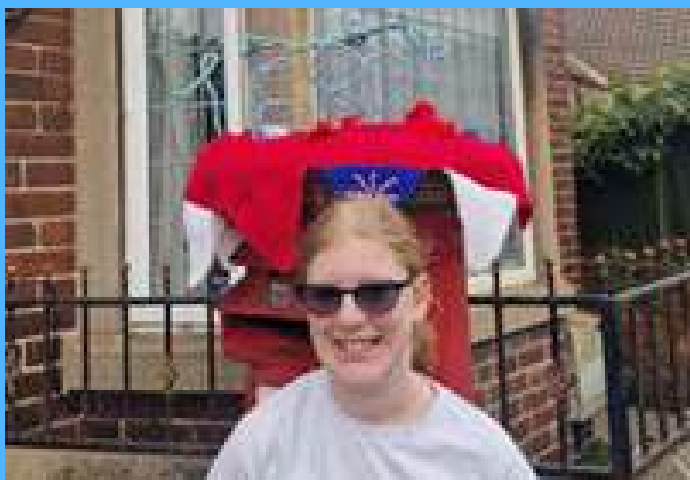


At 9.30 pm on 8th May 2025
Harthill and Woodall Sang

Harthill and Woodall sang at 9.30 pm as part of an initiative for the whole country to come together at this time and sing the wonderful and uplifting British patriotic hymn - I Vow To Thee My Country. This had never been undertaken before, with the aim being to bring the families and communities of our great Nation together at one moment in time, providing a wonderful tribute to the many millions that paid the ultimate sacrifice during the dark days of WWII.

Prior to this, there was an array of activities centred around All Hallows Church and The Beehive Pub. Harthill with Woodall Parish Council would like to thank everyone that made the day special, it was a real community effort. The bells sounded wonderful, Harthill Voices excelled themselves and Harthill Morris rounded the evening off with their fun and enthusiasm.

Our younger members joined in with this fantastic creation from Eleanor Age 10. Eleanor also lit the Lamp of Peace on behalf of Harthill Primary School.



The Carnival Society, as always, ensured that the Parish showed its support for the event with flags fluttering in the wind and the touching display at the Well Area.

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council will be marking the occasion with a commemorative bench to be placed on Woodall Lane. The location is based on feedback that passengers would welcome somewhere to sit whilst waiting for the bus.



Harthill Morris Summer 2025



Hi Folks,
Harthill Morris are now in full swing and performing out with our traditional summer tour of fun, merriment, music, dance, and mischief.

Our early performances of the season include the Doncaster Day of Dance, Wath Festival and our bombastic support for the VE Day 80 celebrations on 8th May with Harthill Village Voices, with whom we are now collaborating more frequently within the village. This was an amazing evening of chaotic fun and laughter that ended up in The Beehive with songs from the 1940's.

Harthill Morris will constantly be performing throughout the summer into September.

Village and local performances coming up include:

- Harthill Well Dressing, Saturday, 5th July @ 4pm, then onto The Blue Bell Inn for further dancing and singing.
- Harthill Carnival Procession, Saturday, 12th July @ 12.15.
- Duke of Leeds, Wales, Thursday, 24th July @ 8pm.
- The Beehive, Thursday, 28th August @ 8pm.

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 next year in 2026.

Harthill Morris musicians and dancers joined other musicians and singers at the new Harthill event of traditional songs at The Blue Bell Inn held on the first Sunday afternoon of each month. The sessions are led by legendary Harthill Morris creator Derrek Leigh. There is currently a break for the summer, but the sessions will return from Sunday, 7th September.

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.

Our next practice season will start again in September, and it will be a great time to join us as we prepare for our 50th anniversary.

Wassail!
Darren Nugent
harthillmorris.org.uk,
Facebook: Harthill Morris



Harthill Well Dressing Group



There is a change of time for our summer Well Dressing opening, which will now be held on Saturday 5th July at the earlier time of 4 pm. It will be held around the well area at the bottom of Doctor Lane.

The well dressing will be blessed by Reverend Gary Schofield.

Parish school children and Harthill Voices will sing for us. Harthill Morris will perform their traditional dances for us. Afterwards Harthill Morris will be dancing at The Blue Bell Inn.

The Well Dressing Group would like to thank all who supported our autumn coffee morning held in the Church School Room as well as our summer and Christmas Well Dressing openings.

Our group made a collage in May which was placed in the well for the VE Day 80 celebrations and we will once again be planting the summer bedding plants in early June, around the well area, with plants provided by Harthill with Woodall Parish Council.

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.

Wales Kiveton Methodist Church VE Day 80 Concert performed by Harthill Village Voices and Bell Ringers



It was a great week of celebrations all around the country during VE Day 80, but no more so than in our local communities.

On Thursday May 8th, Wales Kiveton Methodist Church held their monthly Soup and Song event with a dress theme and music taking us back to the war years, which was really well attended. On Saturday a coffee morning took place, but the outstanding event of the celebrations was the VE Day 80 concert held on Friday 9th May.

Harthill Village Voices and Bell Ringers came to Wales Kiveton and performed the most fabulous of concerts to a packed-out Church that had everyone singing along, with flags waving, and patriotism in abundance. The Church was adorned with bunting, Union Jack flags and VE Day 80 banners, and some of those present dressed for the occasion too!

Fiona Radford (and other members of Harthill Village Voices) having been to some of the Soup and Song sessions, recognised the difference and pleasure these events can give to people, and wanted to help them continue. To this end they had already donated £300 in support, but wanted to do something more substantial. Fiona discussed with Paul Joynes the idea of presenting a concert, and VE Day 80 was the perfect opportunity.

There was not a spare seat in the Church. The Bell Ringers opened the concert with 'Thine be the glory', followed by 'Somewhere Over the Rainbow' in perfect synchronisation.

The interval was accompanied with servings of tasty ham hock broth and a crusty roll with soft drinks to quench the thirst. A big thank you to Neill Radford for the food catering arrangements.

Tributes were read out which reminded us all of the realisation of what happened over 80 years ago, and the senselessness of war.

The choir then got into songs from the wartime genre and "We'll meet again" rounded off the night along with a rousing national anthem which left us all feeling joyous, euphoric, and exhilarated!

Ticket revenue, raffle ticket sales and donations raised an amazing total of £1,147.00 towards the continuation of the Soup and Song events we hold at Wales Kiveton Methodist Church, which we offer totally free for the benefit of our local village communities.

On behalf of all at our Church, a huge thank you and immense gratitude doesn't even come close to expressing the overwhelming feeling of appreciation and joy you gave us on that Friday night. "And so say all of us"!



Harthill & District Garden Association



Thank you again for your support.

What a wonderful creative time we had at our 'Bonnetts, Bunnies & Bucks Fizz' afternoon. The creations in the bonnet boxes were amazing and so varied! Our sticky activity learning decoupage gave us all an individual drinks coaster. Bubbles always help with the fun and meeting new friends.



Come and join us for more activities throughout the year. At Carnival time Maurice will be chugging along pulling the HDGA trailer and we will have a stall promoting our September show as well as selling garden related goodies.

14th September (Sunday) is our 'Make, Grow & Show' event in Harthill Village Hall with something for everyone to take part in. Last year we were amazed at the huge range of produce, crafts and bakes - so please have a go!

Pumpkin & Prosecco will be back on 25th October and Christmas Wreath Making on 6th December. Details will be available nearer the time but please put the dates in your diaries.

Proceeds from events are being used for supporting our local community, such as planting boxes at Ladyfield Care Home and Harthill Primary School's garden club.

Harthill Tea Day and Social Club



We are looking for new members to join our group.

Do you want to spend an afternoon of fine dining with a tasty tippie or two, with like-minded people? Well, that's not us!

But....

We can offer a tasty bowl of soup, a selection of sandwiches and a nice piece of cake, accompanied by ample tea and coffee. This all comes with the opportunity to make new friends, or reacquaint with old ones, and have a good natter and a laugh. We also play a game or two of Bingo and have a raffle and tote, so the chance to win a penny or two...

Throughout the year we have outings and hold in house events.

All Hallows Church



When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion for them and healed their sick. Matthew 14:14

The above passage tells us straightforwardly what God is about. Jesus is all about meeting immediate needs, right here and right now. Someone once wrote, 'The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.' God longs to build communities of compassion where people care about one another.

All Hallows is here for the communities of Harthill and Woodall. It is a gathering place where people connect, build relationships, and support each other. In our life as a church we firmly believe it is not only the feeding that matters to us, it is also the caring for other people's hunger and needs. We aren't just bothered about ourselves we are also bothered about the stranger. Hence, through the generosity of people who live in the parish, we continue to support the Archer Project and Foodbank and not forgetting the WI bra appeal. Community events create strong communities, and a strong community is a healthy community. A healthy community is a happy community.

Every Blessing - Reverend Gary
The website - www.allhallowsharthill.org
is up to date with all services and events.

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Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held
on 10th June 2025 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

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 07523 657273
Fiona Radford..... 07846 614015

Receipts & Payments Summary 2024/2025

This is a summary of the Parish Council's income and expenditure, these are draft figures pending the outcome of our external assurance review. The accounts are for the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

The period for exercise of public rights is Tuesday 3rd June 2025 to Monday 14th July 2025. Information relating to how you exercise these rights will be on the Parish Council website and Parish Noticeboards at that time.

HARTHILL WITH WOODALL PARISH COUNCIL			
Summary of Receipts & Payments for the year ending 31.03.2025			
2023/2024 Receipts		2024/2025	
£ 66,000	Precept	£ 75,800	
£ 700	Interest	£ 887	
£ 2,519	Allotments / Garages	£ 1,768	
£ 20,193	Grants Received	£ -	
£ -	Bench Donations	£ -	
£ 9,982	Community Infrastructure Levy	£ 16,047	
£ -	Donations	£ -	
£ 3,417	VAT Recovered	£ 7,281	
£ 102,811	Total Income	£ 101,783	
2023/2024 Payments		2024/2025	
£ 5,601	Admin/Supplies/Expenses/Audit	£ 7,031	
£ 29,424	Salary / Wages	£ 30,608	
£ 2,749	Insurance	£ 3,020	
£ 993	Subscriptions	£ 1,025	
£ 567	Leisure Centre	£ 546	
£ 12,094	Green Spaces/Landscaping	£ 11,755	
£ 411	Village Hall	£ 750	
£ 1,952	Allotments & Gardens	£ 3,179	
£ 2,881	YIB	£ 3,333	
£ 2,090	Section 137	£ 1,500	
£ -	Grants excl 137	£ 864	
£ -	CIL Monies Spent	£ 1,051	
£ 9,082	Projects	£ 19,589	
£ 4,136	VAT Paid	£ 6,871	
£ 71,980	Total Payments	£ 91,122	
Bank Balance at 01.04.2024		£ 91,713	
Unpresented Cheque from 2024/2025		£ -	
Bank Balance at 31.03.2025		£ 102,374	
Totals		£ 193,496	£ 193,496
The above statement represents fairly the financial position of the Authority as at 31st March 2025 - Draft subject to audit.			
Signed	J Pattison		Chairman
Date	8th April 2025		
Signed	C Havenhand		RFO
Date	8th April 2025		

Thank You from the Parish Council

The Parish Council would like to thank all the volunteers who take the time to pick up litter in their spare time or while out walking, it makes a tremendous difference to our village lanes if we can continue to keep them clean and litter free.

The Parish Council also employs a Grounds Maintenance Operative, Alan, to keep the Parish 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 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.

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:

1. 1st April to 30th September 10 am to 6.30 pm - last entry 6.15 pm

2. 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.



South
Yorkshire's
Community
Foundation



Play Area Update

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council is delighted to announce that it has received £5,000 from South Yorkshire Community Foundation under the Loscar Wind Farm Community Fund.

This money will go towards project costs to install a new accessible roundabout on Spens Field along with a new wet pour surface to go around it. The balance of monies required for the project will come from CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) which is paid to the Parish Council when new houses are built. The project is expected to be completed before September.

Wales Ward

Covering Harthill,
Kiveton,
Wales,
Waleswood
and Woodall



Ward Councillor Update

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone for their support during the recent VE Day 80 celebrations. A special shout-out to the Village Voices and the bell ringers who performed so beautifully for us all—from Harthill to Kiveton. Your contributions truly made the event memorable.

We've had a few setbacks with RMBC, regarding the installation of traffic calming humps. Despite these initial hiccups, we are pleased to report that we are now beginning to hear positive feedback—traffic is already moving more slowly, which is encouraging. Unfortunately, due to delays from central government, we are still awaiting the installation of the yellow lines.

However, we've been assured by RMBC that this will be happening soon.

We both continue to serve our community actively, working closely with 'Harthill Active Travel' on ongoing initiatives. The feasibility study for improved, more connected footpaths and bridleways is about to commence, aiming to enhance local routes and improve connectivity across the wider area. Partnerships are key for this going forward and we thank everyone for their ongoing input and support that will be a great benefit to us.

It's wonderful to see the return of wildflowers, and we appreciate everyone's efforts tending to the flower beds. The vibrant bursts of colour truly brighten our villages. Thank you once again for your support and vital engagement.

**All the Best,
Dominic & Marnie**

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dominic.beck@rotherham.gov.uk

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Harthill Cricket Club



The Cricket Club is in desperate need of playing support from the village, whether you are an experienced cricketer or new to the game.



We practice on the cricket field on a Thursday night at 6:15 pm and have games every Saturday until mid-September. You don't need to commit to playing every week, the odd Saturday helping us out can make a massive difference. If you don't have your own "whites" we can supply you with some to play in. If you are interested in playing, then please contact me on 07841377213.

We've re-started running the kids' cricket on a Friday night from 6 pm and have had excellent attendance. We teach the kids the basics of the sport and play a few games, whilst parents enjoy a drink. It's free and everyone is welcome to attend.

Following a difficult winter where we lost 10 players, the early part of the 2025 season is proving to be very challenging for Harthill CC.

At the time of writing, the 1st team has won one game from four and the 2nds are without a victory in 2 attempts.

The 1st team started the season in very cold conditions at Thorpe Road against Welbeck and restricted them to 203/8 but were bowled out for 106.

We followed this with a heavy 8 wicket defeat to Mansfield Hosiery Mills when we were bowled out for just 100.

In the third game we had a 3-run victory against Bawtry in a very exciting match. Harthill posted 236/7 and took 2 wickets in the final over to leave Bawtry on 233/9.

Key performances were Deep Shiyani with 49, Izuru Jayakody (43) and Mo Khan (46 not out off just 19 balls). With the ball Luqman Asad taking 6 for 42 off 10 overs including 2 wickets in 2 balls at the end of the final over. The least said about the game at Farnsfield the better. Farnsfield racked up a massive 362 for 7. We were all out for just 65, with Extras being the joint top scorer with 9!

In their opening game Harthill 2nds scored 109/9 (Martin Grayson 80) but suffered a 10 wicket defeat to Mansfield CC. Our 2nd game was much closer with Farnsfield 3rd team. Harthill scored 165/9 (Phil Higginson 87) and Farnsfield won by 3 wickets with just 4 balls remaining in the final over.

So far this season we have awarded debuts in senior cricket to Lucas Howe and Jack and Harry Radford who all have promising cricketing careers ahead of them and are integral to the future of the club.

All fixtures and results can be found at:
<https://harthill.play-cricket.com/home>

Beehive Folk Club - Harthill



The Beehive Folk Club has been running at Harthill for nearly 40 years and meets currently at The Village Hall, Winney Hill, Harthill, Sheffield S26 7YL.

The club generally runs on the first Friday of every month unless otherwise noted on the website and is run by the resident group 'New Horizons'.

It attracts some of the best folk artists around as guests,

a few of the upcoming ones being listed below: -

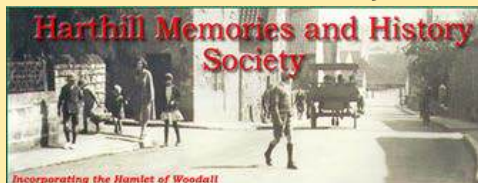
Fri. 6th June	- James Keelaghan
Fri. 4th July	- Rare Occasion
August	- No Club
Fri. 5th Sept	- Other Roads
Fri. 3rd Oct	- Jez Lowe
Fri. 7th Nov	- Tom McConville Band



For further information please
email petergarratt1@gmail.com (tel. 01142- 352850)
or visit the website www.beehivefolkclub.com



Harthill and Woodall Memories and History Society



We are delighted to invite you to visit the annual 'Local History Day' at the village hall on 4th October. We will be joined on the day by members of All Hallows Church, as well as history groups from the area including Aston-Cum-Aughton, Barlborough, Kiveton & Wales, Todwick & Woodsetts. Light refreshments will be available all day. Entry is free, but donations are always welcome.

We meet at the village hall on the 4th Tuesday of alternate months, at 2 pm. The next meeting will be on July 29th, all are welcome.

The Old Schoolroom

The Old Schoolroom is a restored 18th Century building situated off Union Street, just along the quiet lane which runs alongside All Hallows Church, Harthill, with dedicated disabled parking and wheelchair access (including to the toilets).

The hall has a polished wooden floor and folding tables with chairs to seat 40. There is a fully equipped kitchen with a large selection of crockery. It is an ideal venue for meetings, club activities, daytime or evening classes, family parties and social events.

The rental charge is £12 per hour.
To book:
email allhallowsharthill@gmail.com
or contact Sheila at 07867 533207.



We meet on the third Thursday of every month and are looking forward to a packed programme this year:

1. 17th June - An evening with Cheese! We'll be trying different cheeses and hearing cheese making stories in the Village Hall from 7:15 pm. Non-members are welcome to come along for a one-off fee of £8 per person. Please do book your place via harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com or by contacting any of our current WI ladies. We're encouraging everyone to bring a glass and a tippie of their choice to wash down the cheese!
2. 15th July - Games Night. Harthill Village Hall from 7:15 pm, visitors welcome, £5 per person.
3. 19th August - Bring & Share. Harthill Village Hall from 6 pm, visitors welcome, £5 per person.
4. 16th September - Welbeck Estate School of Cookery. Visitors are welcome to come along for a one-off fee of £8 per person. Please do book your place via harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com or by contacting any of our current WI ladies. Bring your own glass and tippie!
5. 21st October - Silent Auction. Harthill Village Hall from 7:15 pm, visitors welcome, £5 per person.
6. 18th November - Christmas Crafts. Harthill Village Hall from 7:15 pm, visitors welcome, £5 per person.
7. 12th December - WI Christmas Party - members only.
8. 20th January - Tales of the Tower with Keith Hanson (ex-Beefeater). Harthill Village Hall from 7:15 pm, visitors welcome, £5 per person.
9. 17th February - The History of Hendersons. Harthill Village Hall from 7:15 pm, visitors welcome, £5 per person.
10. 17th March - AGM & Quiz. Harthill Village Hall from 7:15 pm, visitors welcome, £5 per person.

We'll be back in the Carnival Parade again this year and selling home-made produce on the field as usual. Do pop by and say hello.

Ladies continue to meet in The Blue Bell on a Friday morning at 10:30 am. Everyone welcome, a chance for a coffee and a natter, members or not!

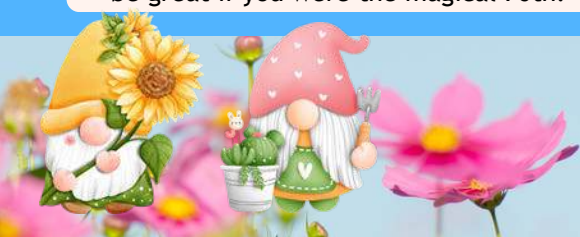
We enjoy many evenings out at the Theatre, for meals/drinks, lunches, coffee shops etc. The WI has evolved, and we are much more than the traditional Jam & Jerusalem - although we always start our meetings with a rousing rendition of the much-loved hymn. Our WI WhatsApp group is affectionately named "And Did Those Feet..." - do join us, even if you just dip in and out as a visitor. We will always offer friendship, warmth and a good cuppa!

theWI INSPIRING WOMEN



2025 is the 70th anniversary of Harthill with Woodall Women's Institute. 70 years of fun, friendship and frivolity!

Over the last 70 years we've had more than 250 ladies in our Institute, and we thoroughly enjoyed an afternoon of memories with current members, former members, potential new members and families of members who are no longer with us on 5th May this year. We tied it into the VE Day 80 celebrations and invited people to come along to reminisce over old photos of times gone by. It was a wonderful afternoon, and we hope may encourage new/returning ladies back into the WI. We have an aim of hitting 70 members during our 70th year - be great if you were the magical 70th.



Hartwheelers



The recent prolonged spell of dry weather may not have been good news for farmers and gardeners, but it has been good news for cyclists. We can now don our summer plumage of gaudy Lycra and enjoy the highways and trails! This is a great relief for those of us who struggled on riding through the winter, swathed in umpteen layers of fleecy insulation and waterproof jackets. One Sunday morning a group of us set out on a distinctly chilly morning with a forecast high of 2C!

Hartwheelers is thriving. Our members vary in ability from the hardest, capable of completing the five days of the 295-mile Jo Cox ride; to the more tentative who prefer more gentle rides to the Rother Valley or Poolsbrook Country Parks. The important thing is that we are all enjoying riding our bikes; mountain, gravel, electric, hybrid or road (some of us have one of each!)

Regular rides include the Monday Fun Social Ride, meeting at Woodall Lane car park 6.30 pm, for a leisurely ride on local lanes and trails. Then there's the Wednesday Wobblers, a ride for new or less confident riders, meeting at the benches on Union Street at 9.20 am, or 10 am at Rother Valley Country Park café. On Friday the redoubtable Musketeers meet at Woodall Lane car park, for a ride out to a café stop for coffee and cake, but most importantly, for a good chat. A few hardy souls set out early on Sunday mornings to join the Bolsover and District Cycling Club for a club ride, 45-mile round trip. Leave from outside the old Post Office at 8 am.

We also arrange ad hoc mountain and road bike rides for cyclists who can't join these regular rides.

If you would like to take up cycling (great exercise, much kinder on the knees than running), or have a neglected bike that needs to be loved again, or would like to ride with a group, then Hartwheelers is for you. We can set up your bike for you, maybe do some repairs and, above all, make sure that your bike is safe to ride. We run coaching sessions, teaching bike handling skills and safe road riding practices. Above all, we are a very friendly bunch, often meeting socially and we don't talk about bikes all of the time.

For more information about Hartwheelers, contact Ruth 07786 543408 or Andy 07967 984754, or search for us on Facebook.

We Need Your Help



Harthill Active Travel

Thank you to everyone who signed the Harthill Active Travel petition. We are delighted that SYSTRA has been awarded the contract to undertake the Active Travel feasibility study we campaigned for.

Harthill Active Travel has met with RMBC and SYSTRA planners and engineers and undertaken an initial site visit to the villages and surrounding area on bikes and on foot.

SYSTRA will be gathering information over the next two months from as many local people and groups as they can.

They particularly want to document some less heard voices, to understand the viewpoints and experiences of people who are under-represented or have historically been overlooked in decision-making and public services.

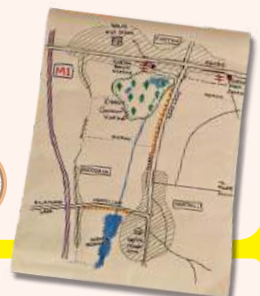
The Active Travel initiative will benefit those who are already active and wish to travel more safely. But equally important are the elderly, the very young, those with disabilities, those in low-income groups and people that don't own cars.

SYSTRA also wants to talk to people who would willingly cycle to work or to the station to commute to work if there was a safe way to do it. And to parents who would welcome their children cycling to school if there was a safe route to use.

As a community we need to be proactive to gather the broadest possible range of evidence to support the case for safe walking wheeling and cycling to benefit everyone living and travelling in our rural corner of South Yorkshire.

The feasibility study should be finished by mid-September and ready for submission to government when the next round of funding from the National Active Travel budget becomes available.

If anyone is able to add their views or make suggestions or make representation from any community group, please contact the SYSTRA team through Senior Transport Planner: Lee.Thompson@rotherham.gov.uk



A Demonstration in Floristry

All Hallows Church, Harthill are delighted to host an evening in Floristry with the celebrated floral designer, Jonathan Moseley. Tickets are still available.



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Wednesday 10th September 2025, Starts 7.00pm
Tickets £20.00 each

All Hallows Church, Union Street, Harthill with Woodall, Sheffield S26 7YC

Tickets available online from: allhallowsarthill.org
Tickets available by email from: allhallowsarthill@gmail.com
or by phoning: Janet 07708 399886 or Mairi 07765 286606

All displays created by Jonathan will be raffled off at the end of the show.

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You can really start to feel that summer is on its way, with glorious weather over the past few weeks, flowers finally in blossom, families enjoying long evenings in the local countryside and spending time in pub gardens.

As the Member of Parliament for Harthill, I've been fortunate enough to meet many of you in the lovely weather and hear your thoughts on how we can improve the local area.

In January for instance, I met with Olympic cyclist Ed Clancy, and representatives from Harthill Active Travel, to hear their efforts supporting the local community to get out and keep fit. Many of you agree that improved walking, wheeling and cycling routes between Harthill, Woodall, Kiveton and Wales would be very welcome and hugely beneficial to residents.

At Harthill Primary School, I was fortunate to meet with the wonderful school council representatives, who are working hard to make sure their voices are being heard in the local community. I was very impressed with their questions about my role as a Member of Parliament, and suggestions for what we need to do to improve Harthill.

On Victory in Europe day, a time to celebrate those British values a generation fought to uphold, I was lucky enough to hear the talented Harthill Village Voices singing at Wales and Kiveton Methodist Church, and the especially poignant bell ringing at All Hallows' Church. It was also incredibly moving to hear from members of the brave armed forces living locally who sacrificed so much in the ultimate public service.

I have also continued to hold meetings with residents from Harthill and Woodall about Whitestone Solar Farm - a proposal I continue to oppose for its scale and lack of local input. Hearing local concerns is hugely important for my meetings with developers and I will continue to hold public events in the coming months and years. I hope you've been enjoying the good weather as much as I have, and I hope to speak with you soon.

Harthill Primary School



Many of you will now know that our Headteacher, Mrs Littlewood, is moving on.

Sarah has secured a promotion at a larger school within the Trust - her dream school, after Harthill.

I had the privilege of interviewing with members of the Trust Board at the end of April. We had a good number of potential candidates visit the school and four formal applications. Every single person who was involved in any way commented on the overwhelmingly positive ethos of our school, of the high standard of behaviour of the children and the warmth that they all felt when visiting our school.

Sarah's drive and determination to ensure our values are at the core of everything we do and has put us in a good place to welcome a new Headteacher in September. I am delighted to let you know that the successful candidate is Mrs Lindsey McGrath.

Mrs McGrath is currently Assistant Headteacher at a school in Sheffield. She has leadership experience across multiple areas: Teaching & Learning; driving the school curriculum; building strong relationships across the school community; Inclusion; Behaviour; pastoral care and supporting others with their professional development. Mrs McGrath demonstrated her passion for a child-centred approach during the interview process; we had to cut short lots of conversations with pupils to ensure timings were kept!

Many of your children were involved in the recruitment process, along with staff, governors and the Trust. The shining stars, as always, were the children and they supported the process brilliantly. They were a credit to school and a credit to their families.

Sarah remains committed to Harthill for the remainder of this academic year, and once settled in her new school, has an open invitation to visit us whenever she can. We will miss her enormously and will ensure she is celebrated in a proper way. On behalf of the governors, I'd like to publicly thank Sarah for her leadership at Harthill Primary over the last five years. The statement we are all so proud of, "a school at the heart of its community", is clear and Lindsey is keen to build on the strong foundations in place to take our school on the next leg of its journey.

Best wishes and thank you for your continued support for our school.

Fiona Radford, Chair of Governors

Harthill Leisure Centre



At the side of Car Park, Spens Field, Harthill

The Leisure Centre are looking forward to summer season 2025 with lots of ongoing plans. Our aim this summer is ensure Harthill Leisure Centre is known and used by all in Harthill and Woodall. We are in negotiation with the Parish Council to refurbish the outside court, it is still available to book for activities.

Bowling is still going strong with activity throughout the week:
 Monday afternoon Veterans

Tuesday evenings Maltby league - open to all ages.

Wednesday evening mixed doubles

Thursday afternoon Veterans

Social bowling takes place on Tuesday

and Friday 2 pm - 4 pm, no experience is necessary.

We have bowls and jacks available and generally experienced

bowlers to help any novices. Cost £2 per person per hour.

Contact Steve on 07981578707 for more details.

'Anyone for Tennis?', we have a new net, and the court is available to book at £2 per person per hour.

There are available slots for 5-a-side football - contact us to book a session £20 per hour.

Pickle Ball is also available - contact us to book.

We have new tables and chairs in the meeting room which can also be used outside along with the picnic benches. Our kitchen inside the centre is ideal for parties or summer meetings.

Our committee is small and if the centre is to continue to offer a facility for the village and surrounding areas we do need new members. Our Treasurer, after years of dedicated work, is retiring so a new Treasurer is a necessity. Keeping the centre running is rewarding and if we can expand the committee, we can keep the centre and facilities open to all. For details and bookings contact Neill 07971081318 or Lesley 07890410778.



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Local Sailing Club Reopens



After more than two years, Rotherham Sailing Club has finally reopened.

The club, based at the picturesque Harthill Reservoir, was forced to close when the reservoir was emptied to allow for renovation works on the dam. With the work completed and the reservoir full again the club is delighted to be welcoming back its members and looking to attract new members for the activities on offer.

It is a small, friendly club with enthusiastic members of all ages and levels of experience. The clubhouse is well equipped with changing rooms, showers, lounge, kitchen and a licenced bar.

Anyone interested is welcome to visit the club to find out more and how to get started. Sailing is on Sundays from 10.00 am and Thursday evenings from 6.30 pm plus Wednesday evenings during the summer.



Further details are available on the club website: rotherhamsailingclub.org.uk or email: enquiries@rotherhamsailingclub.org.uk.

Other activities either on or in the water include model yachting and open water swimming.

The Model Yachting Section of the sailing club race radio-controlled model yachts on Saturday mornings from 10 am to 1 pm and sail on Wednesday mornings from 10 am. Visitors are always welcome. For further details see the Model Yachting Section of the sailing club website or the Rotherham Model Yacht Club website: rotherhammodelyachtclub.weebly.com/or email: rotherhamyacht@gmail.com.

Open water swimming is run by Yorkshire Outdoor Swimmers. They normally swim on Saturday afternoons and Tuesday evenings. Further details can be obtained on their website: yorkshireoutdoorswimmers.com.

Paddleboarding and kayaking are activities the club are looking to offer in the future.



Harthill Village Hall Ltd



We have had a Mother and Toddler Group at the Village Hall for many years, which unfortunately is no longer operating.

We have loads of equipment available for use. Would anybody be interested in starting up a new group?

If so, please contact

Peter Owers
on 07872573344.

Flyball on Spens Field

My name is Alun Windle and I'm the Captain of a new local Flyball team - Flyball is a team sport that is a partnership between humans and dogs, it's for all dog lovers of any breed and owners of any age and ability. It builds confidence in both humans and pooches. We operate under the British Flyball Associations rules and constitution <https://www.flyball.org.uk>.

You may have seen the sport on TV particularly Crufts (see the link) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NG_tSdNzsMY

We will be practicing on Spens Field on Sundays over the next few months, please come over and say hello, watch us train and ask any question you like. Once we have got settled we will be holding some 'have a go' sessions where you can work through some of the training we offer and to see if this sport is for you and your pooch... to register any interest in either attending a have a go session, want to know more about what the commitment is in joining a flyball team or any questions, then please contact me on the email address muttgonuttzteam@gmail.com

Many thanks
Alun (Team Captain)



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