

Welcome to the latest issue of The Hart

This is our first newsletter of 2026. As always, it is produced not only for Harthill with Woodall Parish Council to share news and updates, but also for local groups and organisations to tell the community about the many activities and events taking place across our Parish. We hope you enjoy reading it.

Joy Pattison
Parish Council
Chairman



Following last year's success in winning the regional Yorkshire in Bloom Golden Rose Award, the Parish will once again be taking part in the Yorkshire Rose accreditation scheme this year. Under the competition rules, regional winners then step back from the Golden Rose competition for a period but continue to take part in the accreditation scheme to help maintain the high standards achieved. Last year's award reflected the tremendous pride that residents, volunteers and community groups take in our villages.

By the time this edition reaches you, many volunteers will once again be busy filling our borders, planters and floral displays ready for summer. The Parish Council would like to thank everyone involved, along with our local grower for once again supplying many of the plants and helping with the planting in the precinct area.

Congratulations must also go to Harthill Football Club on securing promotion to RDSL Division 1 following a very successful season. It is great to see our local team continuing to grow and thrive.

The Parish Council also continues to work alongside Harthill Leisure Centre Committee regarding proposals for the future development of the site and its rebranding as Harthill Community Hub. Further information can be found later in this newsletter.

As many residents will already be aware, the Whitestone Solar Farm proposal continues to progress, and we now await their formal application. The project is classed as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP), meaning that the application will ultimately be considered by the Planning Inspectorate rather than Rotherham MBC. The Parish Council has submitted comments raising concerns regarding the adequacy of the consultation process undertaken to date, as well as concerns directly to Whitestone Net Zero regarding the impact on our Parish. These are available on the news page of our website. Whilst Whitestone state there has been reductions in the overall scheme from the original proposals, much of this appears to relate to areas previously identified for mitigation. Once the application is formally submitted, residents wishing to register an interest and make comments will have 28 days to do so. We will place further information on the news page of the Parish Council website once details are available.

There are lots of activities and events taking place across the Parish over the summer months, so please do read on to see what is happening and how you can get involved. Parish Council contact details can be found on page 7.

Harthill FC

Harthill Football Club round off their second season with promotion to RDSL Division 1. It's been a long and ultimately successful season, picking up 10 wins, 6 draws and 5 losses, with 1 game left to play in the league. Harthill recorded the largest victory in their history to date with a 12-0 win over Alma FC, amongst other impressive performances throughout the season.

The team also went on an unexpected cup run. After losing in the first-round last season, Harthill bounced back and made the quarter finals this time round, taking down opposition from leagues two divisions higher than them in the process, before falling short to finalists Joker FC in a 1-0 loss.

The focus now shifts to building on this year's success and also to returning to Spens Field. Over the winter there is naturally a lack of games across Rotherham and Sheffield due to the weather. Unfortunately, once we had returned after the break, the pitch had been taken over by molehills and was deemed unplayable.

We have worked with the Parish Council to find a resolution for this, and a groundsman has since scarified and reseeded the turf. We are hopeful now that we will be able to call it home permanently.

Finally, thank you for all your ongoing support over the past two years. We are only just getting started and hope to kick on and see just how far we can climb those league tables.

Up the Til!



A huge "Thank You" to Harthill with Woodall Parish Council



We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Harthill with Woodall Parish Council for kindly awarding us £1500 again this year, towards the cost of Harthill 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 also to the various events we do in the village throughout the year. As a society, we rely on the generosity of organisations like the 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 in 2026 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



Harthill Carnival Parade & Show

This year's Parade theme will be 'The Movies'. 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! If you can't take part in the parade itself, then please do come out onto the streets to enjoy and support the parade.

Things to see and do at Harthill Carnival



This year we are excited to be bringing Dangerous Steve to the Main Arena. Steve has performed at leading galas and festivals including Tramlines Festival, Blackpool's Showzam Festival, Whitby Regatta, Guernsey's Battle of the Flowers, Sheffield Fayre and many town and various village shows throughout the UK and abroad.

Also in the Main Arena will be the Parade Float Judging, Tropical Encounters Show, performances from the City of Sheffield Gymnastics Club and the Heavy Horse Judging.



Friday Night in the Marquee

Following two years of having a Dinner event on the Friday evening before Carnival, this year we are doing something different. We are excited to bring you 'Bingo Disco', a night of games, fun, laughter and disco. Tickets are only £5 and there will be prizes up for grabs on the night.

Tickets can be purchased by e-mail: ticketsharthillcarnival@gmail.com or phone: 07949 552292 (Paul).

The Heavy Horse Show hosted by Mike & Dorothy Bingham will begin at 12pm in the Horse Arena.

HARTHILL CARNIVAL & SHOW

HEAVY HORSE SHOW

SATURDAY 11TH JULY 2026 - 12PM



SPENS FIELD, WOODALL LANE, HARTHILL.
SHEFFIELD, S26 7YQ

ENTRY IS FREE - £10 PER HORSE APPEARING BEFORE THE JUDGE. SCHEDULES ARE AVAILABLE ON-LINE OR FROM THE HEAVY HORSE SECRETARY, MIKE BINGHAM, ON 07850 941741 (TEXT OR CALL).

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, as well as plenty of Children's Activities.

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!!



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

To bring this year's Harthill Carnival & Show to a close, we are delighted to have 'Jungle Lion'. Tickets have been in HUGE demand, and we only have a few left, so please get yours before they go

e-mail ticketsharthillcarnival@gmail.com or via mobile 07949552292 (Paul)



HARTHILL CARNIVAL

SATURDAY, JULY 11TH 2026

DOORS AT 7.30PM

JUNGLE LION

GET TICKETS:
TICKETSHARTHILLCARNIVAL@GMAIL.COM
OR CALL PAUL ON 07949552292

£15

We look forward to seeing you all in July

Harthill Well Dressing Group



Our Summer Well Dressing opening will be held on Saturday 4th July at 4 pm around the well area at the bottom of Doctor Lane.

This is a special year for Harthill Morris as it is their 50th Anniversary, so this will be the theme for this year's well dressing.

Harthill Morris will be dancing for us as usual, along with other visiting Morris teams who will be joining them for their 50th anniversary celebrations. Harthill Morris have danced at the Well Dressing opening since we started in 1987.

Afterwards, Harthill Morris and the visiting teams will be dancing at The Blue Bell, Harthill.

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.

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.

We will be planting the summer bedding plants in early June around the well area. The plants are 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.

Soup & Song at Wales Kiveton Methodist Church



The monthly events (held on the second Thursday of each month from 12-2 pm) have been well attended so far this year, with an average of 50 people. Considering the first four months have been during the colder season, this shows the appeal of what the Soup and Song sessions bring to our community.

We now have a rotation of six different entertainers that we select from, mainly from Lost Chord, but we also have the Retford Ukulele Ensemble, who came to us in March with an increased band of 13 this time! One of our Church ministers doubles as a ukulele band member and heard about the success of Soup and Song and wanted the group to be involved in what we are doing. They play a varied mix of songs ranging from Living Doll and Singing the Blues, but it wouldn't be complete without a George Formby classic!

Wales Kiveton Methodist Church provide these events totally free, including both the food and the entertainment, but we do require funding support to be able to do this.



SAVE THE DATE
2026

9th April 14th May 11th June
9th July 13th August 10th September
8th October 12th November 10th December

We have had great local support and, most recently, we were grateful to the Saxon Golf Society based in Kiveton (but with members in Harthill and surrounding villages) who donated £1,200. They have been fundraising for charities and good causes for 27 years and split last year's total of £2,400 between Soup and Song and Andy's Man Club based in Kiveton. A big thank you goes out to them.

The cheque was presented in the Church, with the photo showing some of the helpers at the events.

One door closes and another opens, and when Grencore had to stop supplying the soups due to organisational changes, Kiveton Co-op Funeralcare came to the rescue with £250 of gift food vouchers which we can use in the local Co-op. Thank you to Cathy and Jess, who have also both been to help out at our events.

Grencore continue to supply us with quiches and bread.

Thank you also goes out to Laura from Kiveton CDT, who helps with some food items and flowers for all the helpers at our April event.

All our 2026 dates are now secured, so come along and join us. The programme runs every second Thursday of the month from 12-2 pm. You'll love it and thoroughly enjoy yourselves – everybody does!



All Hallows Church



Dear friends,

Jesus says: "I am with you always, to the end of time." (Matt 28:20)

I write this 10 days before Ascension Day on a date increasingly known as 'Star Wars Day'. Ascension Day is as huge for Christians as May the 4th is for Star Wars fans.

At the Ascension we remember Jesus returning to heaven after his glorious resurrection. At All Hallows with Woodall, this season of spring feels full of new life and hope.

As the world around us brightens, we're reminded that the Ascension isn't about Jesus leaving us, but about lifting our vision of what it means to be a good neighbour.

We are called to live well, treat one another with kindness, and play our part in God's bigger story.

To quote Jedi Grandmaster Yoda: "Fear is the path to the dark side. Fear leads to anger. Anger leads to hate. Hate leads to suffering."

Some of Jesus' last words to his followers are, "Peace be with you." In a world that can feel far from peaceful, at Ascension-tide we are called to raise our values and our behaviour towards one another: choosing patience over anger, generosity over fear, and compassion wherever we can.

You might even say it's a bit like Star Wars: there is a light that guides us, a force that transforms us, and each of us has a part to play in bringing the light of 'New Hope' into the world.

So, as we step into these brighter days, may we stay connected to God, to one another, and to the new hope in Jesus which carries us forward.

May the Fourth be with you!
With every blessing,
Reverend Gary

Calling All Lapsed Bell Ringers at All Hallows, Harthill



Did you used to ring bells? Perhaps you haven't climbed the tower steps in a while?

The bell ringing team at All Hallows Church, Harthill, would love to welcome back former ringers who may be thinking about returning to the tradition of change ringing in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Whether it has been a few years or much longer, there is no pressure – just encouragement, support and the chance to reconnect with both the skill and the community spirit that comes with bell ringing.

The local band offers:

- supportive and friendly guidance,
- gentle refresher sessions,
- and a great opportunity to meet people and become involved again.

Practice night takes place every Wednesday from 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm at All Hallows Church, Harthill.

Anyone interested or wanting more information can contact Ian Lloyd on 01909 773942.

Why not come along and give it another go?



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.

New Benches installed around the Parish

Since the last issue of The Hart, a number of new recycled benches have been installed around the Parish for residents and visitors to enjoy.

A new bench has been placed on Hard Lane overlooking Harthill and surrounded by the Parish wildflower areas. This replaces a previous bench which had sadly been vandalised.

Another bench has been installed at the bus stop on Woodall Lane following requests from residents for somewhere to sit whilst waiting for buses.

A further bench has also been added on the recreation ground on Doctor Lane, a popular area used by children playing football as well as dog walkers enjoying the open space.

We hope residents will enjoy using the new benches to rest a while and take in the surroundings around our Parish.



Thank You to our Village Volunteers

Including a light-hearted plea from our litter pickers to the mystery tea bag dropper

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.

We would also like to thank new volunteer ranger Richard Beaman for his work with the Canal and River Trust.

We also have our Grounds Maintenance Operative, Alan, who does a great job helping to keep the village litter free.

Please don't throw things out of car windows. Take fast food containers, plastic bottles and cans home with you. If you take a drink with you while out jogging or walking, please take the empty plastic container home with you.

If you see any fly tipping, please report it to Rotherham MBC on 01709 382121. It is also very easy to do this online. If you go to the Rotherham MBC fly tipping page there is a form you can fill in. Generally, Rotherham are quick to clear it away.

When doing D.I.Y., please take rubbish to the dumpsite in our area. There is one very close to us situated between Todwick and Dinnington near the industrial estate. From Todwick Road turn onto Common Road. The dumpsite is at the junction of Common Road and Houghton Road.

It is open 7 days a week except for Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

Opening times are from 1st April to 30th September, 10 am to 6.30 pm, last entry 6.15 pm.

From 1st October to 31st March, 10 am to 4 pm, last entry 3.45 pm.

Finally, our litter pickers would like to solve one of Harthill's great mysteries – the regular appearance of tea bags around the Winney Hill bus stop! If the owner of the travelling tea flask is reading this, please could you take the tea bags home rather than leaving them behind for our volunteers to collect.

Receipts & Payments Summary 2025/2026

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 2025 to 31st March 2026. The period for exercise of public rights is Wednesday 3rd June 2026 to Tuesday 14th July 2026.

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 31.03.2026			
2024/2025 Receipts		2025/2026	
£ 75,000	Precept	£ 84,000	
£ 887	Interest	£ 684	
£ 1,758	Allotments / Garages	£ 2,487	
	Grants Received	£ 5,150	
	Bench Donations	£ 650	
£ 16,047	Community Infrastructure Levy	£ 542	
	Donations	£ -	
£ 7,261	VAT Recovered	£ 5,219	
£ 101,783	Total Income	£ 98,732	
2024/2026 Payments		2025/2026	
£ 7,031	Admin/Supplies/Expenses/Audit	£ 7,587	
£ 30,608	Salary / Wages	£ 34,792	
£ 3,020	Insurance	£ 2,988	
£ 1,025	Subscriptions	£ 1,043	
£ 546	Leisure Centre	£ 727	
£ 11,755	Green Spaces/Landscaping	£ 11,188	
£ 750	Village Hall	£ 752	
£ 3,179	Allotments & Gardens	£ 1,321	
£ 3,333	YIB	£ 3,007	
£ 1,500	Section 137	£ -	
£ 864	Grants exci 137	£ 2,200	
£ 1,051	CIL Monies Spent	£ 660	
£ 19,589	Projects	£ 10,187	
£ 6,871	VAT Paid	£ 4,839	
£ 91,122	Total Payments	£ 81,389	
	Bank Balance at 01.04.2025	£ 102,374	
	Unpresented Cheque from 2025/2026	£ -	
	Bank Balance at 31.03.2026	£ 119,717	
	Totals	£ 201,106	£ 201,106
The above statement represents fairly the financial position of the Authority as at 31st March 2026 - Draft subject to audit			
Signed	J Pottson		Chairman
Date	14th April 2025		
Signed	C Haventland		RFO
Date	14th April 2025		

Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 9th June 2026 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 (Vice Chair)	07523 657273
Fiona Radford.....	07846 614015

Plans for the future of Harthill Leisure Centre

Many residents will already be aware that the Parish Council has submitted a planning application relating to the future of Harthill Leisure Centre and the wider recreation area, with the support of Harthill with Woodall Community Association. RB2026/0557.

The aim of the proposals is to help secure the long-term future and sustainability of the site by creating a more active and financially sustainable community facility for the village, with plans for the site to gradually develop as Harthill Community Hub.

The proposals include:

- Retaining the bowling green and Harthill Workbench
- Creating space for small local service-based businesses
- Improved public toilet and baby changing access during opening hours
- Installation of solar panels to help reduce running costs
- The creation of additional parking, and future improvements to the café and meeting area

For many years the building has been known locally as Harthill Leisure Centre, despite operating on a much smaller and more limited basis than people might associate with a traditional leisure facility. Over the years the charity managing the building regularly appealed through articles in The Hart and open days for more residents to make use of the facility.

Whilst the building continues to provide an important base for the bowling club, this use is largely seasonal and focused around match days and organised sessions. The building also provides welfare and meeting space for social bowling and Harthill Workbench. However, wider use of the building remains relatively limited, with other larger and more flexible meeting venues being available within the village. This results in the building being unused for much of the time.

The application therefore seeks to repurpose and diversify the building so it becomes a more regularly used and active community facility, helping to justify ongoing investment into the site and secure its long-term future as a valued community asset.

Part of the proposal includes the change of use of the former tennis / games court area into additional parking. The Parish Council recognises this has generated a range of views within the community. Importantly, the proposals did not begin with a decision to remove a recreation facility in order to create parking.

Following ongoing community engagement between 2022 and 2024, including discussions through the Parish magazine, Harthill Carnival, local schools and user groups, the Parish Council began exploring how recreation facilities within the village could better meet the needs of a wider range of age groups.

This has already led to improvements including the Tots Play Area and Cableway.

During these discussions, improved open-access facilities for older children and young people, including the idea of a modern MUGA, were regularly raised by parents, residents and young people themselves as a popular option for the future.

The existing Leisure Centre games court was originally designed as a hired and supervised facility. The court has continued to see some use over the years for activities including football, netball and tennis. However, balancing the differing requirements of users on a single ageing court became increasingly difficult, with local football and netball groups gradually moving towards newer facilities with surfaces better suited to their particular needs in nearby areas.

As a small Parish Council serving a relatively limited council tax base, the Council also had to carefully consider how future recreation investment could provide the widest long-term benefit for the community, particularly where more specialist sports facilities already exist within a short travelling distance of the parish.

A range of alternative options for the existing Leisure Centre games court were explored over a lengthy period, including significant refurbishment and changing to a more informal open-access use to help make investment into the facility more viable and worthwhile. However, the court's location immediately beside the road, neighbouring properties and the Doctors Surgery raised a number of practical and safeguarding concerns, particularly if the facility were to become an unsupervised open-access area for younger users.

The Parish Council therefore concluded that future court provision should focus on the development of a new purpose-built MUGA in a more suitable location within the recreation grounds, whilst allowing the existing court area to be repurposed to support the wider needs of the future Community Hub and Parish.

The Parish Council's longer-term intention is not to remove youth recreation provision, but instead to provide a more modern and accessible facility better suited to wider community use. Work has already begun on preparing information for a future planning application for a new MUGA and funding opportunities will then be explored.

Additional parking would support users of the Community Hub, visitors to the Doctors Surgery, bowling match days and community events, whilst also helping accommodate visitors using the surrounding walking and cycling routes and reducing overspill and informal parking in nearby areas. Improved parking provision may become increasingly important should future plans to expand the Doctors Surgery progress, particularly where this could reduce the practice's already limited on-site parking capacity.

The Parish Council appreciates that residents will hold differing opinions regarding the proposals and thanks residents for their feedback so far. The consultation period on the application ends on 28 May 2026, after which the application will proceed through the next stages of the planning process with Rotherham MBC.



Ward Councillor Update



Councillor
Dominic
Beck

Covering
Harthill



Councillor
Marnie
Havard

Kiveton
Wales
Waleswood
Woodall

Wales Ward

Over the past quarter, we have continued working closely with residents and local organisations to support our community and respond to local concerns.

We have attended and supported the local tenants' group, chased up reports of overgrown trees, and worked with neighbourhood teams on a range of issues affecting the area. We have also been helping residents raise concerns with council services and ensuring problems are followed up properly.

Community safety has also been a key priority. We arranged for local police officers to meet directly with residents, giving people the opportunity to discuss concerns, ask questions and strengthen links between the community and the police.

We remain committed to listening to residents and continuing to work hard on behalf of the community. We thank everyone for all the hard work in keeping our Parish active and well-tended. Have a great summer.

All the best Dominic and Marnie

Councillor Dominic Beck
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Happy 75th Birthday Harthill Tea Day & Social Club

This year we celebrate our 75th Birthday, a wonderful achievement for Harthill.

Over the years we have seen many changes. Formerly known as the Over 60s Club, we changed our name many years ago, and now members do not have to be 60, just wanting to make new friends and have a lovely afternoon together with companionship, friendship and a tasty buffet.

To celebrate our 75th year we have arranged many treats for our members, from days out to in-house events, and of course a splendid birthday party. To top it all off, we have been put forward for a community award, which we are all extremely proud of.

We meet once a fortnight in Harthill Village Hall from 12 noon - 2.30 pm.

If you would like to join our wonderful club, please contact Sue Mason on 01909 772778 for more information.



Make, Grow and Show Event

When? - Sunday 13th September

Where? - Village Hall, Harthill.
S26 7YL

Show us what you can do and
Join us for this annual event

Bring your exhibits between 10:00 - 11:30am

Open to the Public from 2:00 - 4:00pm

Harthill Village Voices 3:00pm

Admission Free - Donations Welcome



Tea, Coffee and Cake
Raffle



HARTHILL VILLAGE HALL

CARETAKER

Make a difference in your community

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Opening and closing the hall as required
- General cleaning and upkeep of all areas
- Setting up and clearing away furniture for events
- Ensuring health and safety standards are maintained

REQUIREMENTS

- Trustworthy and dependable
- Ability to work independently
- Flexible approach to working hours

Harthill Village Hall is seeking a reliable and proactive Caretaker to ensure the smooth day-to-day operation and upkeep of the hall. This is a part-time role ideal for someone local who takes pride in maintaining a clean, safe, and welcoming community space.



HOURS
10 hours
per week



PAY
£13.50
per hour



A REWARDING ROLE
SUPPORTING YOUR
LOCAL COMMUNITY



TO APPLY:

Please contact Peter Owers on

07872 573344

for more information or to express your interest.



Harthill Morris Summer 2026



Hi folks,

Harthill Morris have already come roaring out of our winter hibernation to celebrate our 50th anniversary year with a calendar packed full of music, dance, merriment and mischief!

We already kicked off the season with performances at the Clifton Park St George's Day Celebration Event, Doncaster Day of Dance, Wath Festival and the National Tramway Museum in Crich, all of which were fantastic days full of fun, frolics and friendship.

We will be regularly performing throughout the summer, both locally and further afield, right the way through to September. Check our website (harthillmorris.org.uk) and Facebook page for full details of our dance-out programme for this year, with local performances including:

- Harthill Well Dressing on Saturday 4th July from 4 pm, followed by The Blue Bell Inn
- Harthill Carnival Procession on Saturday 11th July from 12 pm
- Duke of Leeds in Wales on Thursday 24th July at 8 pm
- The Beehive in Harthill on Thursday 27th August at 7.45 pm

In the early spring of 1976, a group of Harthill residents began meeting on Thursday evenings in the old Church Schoolroom to learn "a couple of Morris dances to show at next do".

Kitted out in homemade farmer's smocks, straw hats and wellington boots (with straw spilling out of the tops), they performed their first 'gig' at the Harthill Miners' Welfare Institute at Easter that same year.

A Boxing Day performance followed outside The Blue Bell as a send-off for the Carnival Society's fancy dress pram push, still in smocks but now wearing our iconic black bowler hats with yellow ribbons, black breeches, white socks and black shoes.

From such humble beginnings we are still going strong 50 years later. With yellow and black tabards, and latterly waistcoats, replacing the farmers' smocks, we have danced and played across England, the UK and even Europe, have performed on radio, TV and for royalty, and are proud to say we have always performed in Harthill on Boxing Day every year since.

Our summer programme this year will culminate in our huge 50th Anniversary Day of Dance in Sheffield City Centre on Saturday 19th September. A number of Morris sides from across the country are already set to join us in celebrating our half century, and we'd love for you to do the same!

We'll also be holding some mini celebrations in the village throughout the summer, including at the Well Dressing and hopefully a summer evening ceilidh, so stay tuned!

Wassail,
Jono - Squire, Harthill Morris
harthillmorris.org.uk
Facebook: Harthill Morris



Harthill-with-Woodall Women's Institute

President: Mandy Radford

Committee Members: Jeanette Bailey,
Gail Foster, Eileen Middleton, Fiona Radford,
Janet Rushton & Pat Winkler

Contact: harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com

theWI
INSPIRING WOMEN

Harthill with Woodall Women's Institute is looking forward to a lively and varied programme of meetings over the coming months, offering something to interest everyone in the village.

Meeting at Harthill Village Hall, usually starting at 7:15pm, the WI continues to provide a welcoming space for friendship, learning and enjoyment.

This year's programme includes a wide mix of talks, practical sessions and social evenings. Members can look forward to topics ranging from antiques & collectables and basic first aid, to art for wellbeing, royal duties, and a fascinating look at how the first Duke created Chatsworth.

There are also lighter evenings planned, including a games night, a bring and share, and the always popular AGM and quiz. New members and visitors are always very welcome, whether you are new to the area or simply curious to see what the WI has to offer. Annual membership is £43 and visitors are welcome at £6 per meeting (a maximum of 3 per year).

For anyone looking to get more involved in village life, Harthill with Woodall WI offers a warm welcome and a programme designed to inspire, inform and entertain.

- 19th May - Antiques & Collectables
- 16th June - Games Night
- 21st July - First Aid Basics
- 18th August - Bring & Share *6pm start*
- 15th September - Art for Wellbeing
- 20th October - Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice
- 17th November - Chatsworth & the First Duke
- 19th January - Fruit Liqueurs & Hogg Norton
- 16th February - Royal Duties & Community Work
- 16th March - AGM & Quiz

Hartwheelers

Hello there!



Now the days are getting longer and allegedly warmer, would you like to improve your fitness and maybe lose a pound or two? Not keen on running, don't like gyms or team games? Try cycling; you can exercise at any intensity, it's easy on the knees and, with Hartwheelers, you can join a really friendly bunch of fellow cyclists.

The members of Hartwheelers have a range of abilities and ages and can offer rides to suit anyone from beginners to hardcore cyclists. Liz and Andy lead a social ride on Monday evenings, a couple of hours on quiet roads at a gentle pace. Tony leads a mountain bike ride on Tuesday evenings; a bit more strenuous, on local tracks and trails. The redoubtable Musketeers ride out on a Friday morning on quiet roads and trails, stopping for coffee and cake en route.

On Sunday mornings some of us ride out to join the Bolsover and District Cycling Club for a 40-50-mile round trip on road bikes. Other rides are arranged within Hartwheelers "as and when", including weekends away and the chance to join Sportives, which are large, organised rides, often on closed roads.



So, if you'd like to dust off your bike that's been languishing all winter, visit the Hartwheelers Facebook page for information about rides. We can also sort out any mechanical issues – contact Ruth on 07786 543408 for bike problems. Contact Andy on 07967 984754 for more information about Hartwheelers.

See you soon! Andy Warren

Hanging Baskets Update

The Parish Council knows how much residents enjoy seeing the hanging baskets displayed within the conservation area during the summer months and we remain hopeful that baskets will still be installed again this year.

However, parish councils across Rotherham were recently advised that permission for hanging baskets on lamp posts would only be given where independent stress testing has first been carried out. This testing is required to confirm which lamp posts are suitable and safe to hold hanging baskets.

The timing of this change has created difficulties for parish councils in terms of arranging testing and confirming locations in time for the planting season. These concerns have been raised with RMBC by parish councils and ward councillors.

Following discussions, RMBC is now arranging for the stress testing to be carried out urgently, with parish councils contributing towards the cost. Until this work has been completed, it is not yet known which lamp posts will meet the required criteria.

At present, the Parish Council therefore cannot confirm the final basket locations or installation dates. We remain hopeful that the baskets will still be able to go up this year, although there may be some delays and a small number of locations could change from previous years.

We appreciate residents' patience and understanding and will keep parishioners updated as soon as further information becomes available.



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As we head into summer, I've been reflecting on my past two years representing Harthill with Woodall in Parliament. It remains the honour of my life to stand up for our towns and villages, both locally and in Westminster. I've really valued meeting so many of you at coffee mornings, school visits and public meetings, and hearing directly about the issues that matter most.

One concern raised time and again is the Whitestone Solar Farm proposal. I want to reassure residents that I have been working consistently on this issue throughout last year and into 2026, and I remain firmly opposed to the development.

While I fully support the transition to cleaner energy, Whitestone is not the right project for our area. Even after a 37% reduction in scale, secured following sustained engagement from my office, serious concerns remain. Many residents are understandably worried about the impact on our countryside, local infrastructure and the long term character of our villages. Protecting our green spaces for current and future generations must remain a priority.

This is far from the end of the process. I am continuing to work with the Mayor of South Yorkshire, Oliver Coppard, fellow MPs, local action groups and Harthill with Woodall Parish Council to build a united opposition. With formal planning permission expected soon, it is vital that we stand together.

Please keep an eye out for upcoming consultations and take part where you can. If you need support, you can contact my office at jake.richards.mp@parliament.uk.

Harthill Workbench

Harthill Workbench has been open since April 2018 and we are celebrating our eighth birthday this year. We are a not-for-profit organisation and look to provide a facility for our village and the surrounding areas.

Our fully equipped workshop provides an ideal opportunity for everyone from skilled woodworkers to complete beginners. We are always pleased to help, advise and assist in any way we can.

We now have over 160 registered members, but fortunately not everyone comes at once. The average attendance is two or three people a day.

We always welcome new members. There is an initial joining fee of £36 and a fee of £5 on the days people attend. For the £5, our members get all consumables such as screws, glue and finishes at no extra charge.

We are located in the grounds of the Leisure Centre on Woodall Lane. We are open Wednesday to Sunday inclusive, from 10 am to 2 pm.

If you are interested or require further information, please contact David Tingle by email at davetingle@me.com or by phone on 07547 268417.



Goose Chiropractic & Wellness Centre Summer Fair - Everyone Welcome!

Goose Chiropractic & Wellness Centre is delighted to invite the local community to our Summer Fair on Saturday 20th June from 9 am-1 pm.

This fun-filled family event will bring together local businesses, handmade crafts, gifts, treats, refreshments, and much more.

There will be something for everyone to enjoy, making it the perfect morning out for families, friends, and neighbours alike. The fair will also support our Charity of the Season, helping us continue giving back to causes

close to our hearts while bringing the community together. Our charity this season is Phoenix WoMens Aid - Domestic Violence and Abuse Charity.

Please save the date and come along to support local businesses, enjoy a welcoming community atmosphere, and help make this year's Summer Fair a wonderful event for all.

Saturday 20th June
9 am-1 pm All Welcome - Family Event
Lotus House Campbell Way
Dinnington, Sheffield S25 3QD

News from Your Local Surgery

We would like to thank all our patients for their continued support.



Opening Hours - Harthill Branch Surgery

Monday: 8.30 am - 12.30 pm and 3.00 pm - 6.00 pm
Tuesday: 7.00 am - 12.30 pm
Wednesday: 8.30 am - 6.00 pm
Thursday: 8.30 am - 12.30 pm and 3.00 pm - 6.00 pm
Friday: 8.30 am - 12.30 pm

When this branch is closed, you can also use our main surgery, which offers additional appointments and services.

We are closed one Thursday afternoon each month for staff training - dates are displayed on our front door and on our website.

Dispensing Service - collect your medicines from us

We are a dispensing practice, so many patients can collect their medication directly from the surgery. This is often more convenient, especially in rural areas, and the income it generates helps us maintain and develop services and keep the surgery open for our local community.

Dates for your diary

Flu and COVID vaccination day - Thursday 1st October

Have your flu and COVID vaccinations with us and help support your local practice and the services we provide. Details will be sent out nearer to the date.

Specialist Nurse Clinics

Our nurse will run monthly clinics at this site for:

- learning disability reviews
- dementia reviews
- mental health reviews

This means many patients will no longer need to travel to the main site for these important checks.

Regular Clinics at this surgery

GP clinic - every day

Phlebotomy clinic - Tuesday mornings

Practice nurse clinic - Thursdays

We are now offering RSV vaccinations for patients aged 75 and over in line with the NHS programme.

Social Prescribing Support

Our social prescriber is happy to see patients at this surgery to support with:

- bereavement
- healthy eating and weight management
- loneliness and social isolation
- accessing local community groups and services

Thank You - Kiveton Park Medical Practice

RSC Rotherham Sailing Club

All Systems Go



It's all systems go at Harthill Reservoir with a variety of watersports getting into full swing. Whether you'd like to try sailing, model yachting, canoeing, kayaking, paddleboarding or open water swimming it's all there to enjoy.



Please visit our new website for full details of how to get involved and join in the fun. <https://rotherhamsailingclub.org.uk> We're having an Open Day on Saturday 30 May from 10.00am so you're invited to come along and have a look for yourself. See poster for details.

TRY SAILING

NEW Members Welcome

come and have a go!

Open Day
Saturday
30th MAY

Open from 10.00am

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