

THE PLOUGH

Averham, Kelham and Staythorpe Community and Parish Magazine

JULY 2024

Planning committee accepts BESS site development proposal for Averham

After losing the appeal on the Staythorpe BESS site, Newark & Sherwood District Council Planning committee approved the BESS planning development for Averham from Pegasus. The decision was close (6—5 in favour) and my personal impression was that it was largely driven by the extraordinary support of the Planning Officer (for which Pegasus have given their thanks), and the financial implications for the district of losing another appeal.

Community Hub

The Community Hub (**ASK Hive**) decision, promised for June, has not materialised from the Notts County Council team who are unresponsive to requests for updates! This may be due to the forthcoming election, but until we get word we won't know. With the developments above and others in the pipeline it places much greater importance on having our own community space.

The ASK Hive team continue to chip away at the project in anticipation of a positive outcome. This includes selecting the legal format of our organisation for the good of the Averham, Staythorpe and Kelham villagers and for the long term benefit of the various stakeholders, as well as planning a repairs and maintenance schedule to get the building and site ready for use, and sourcing the money to fund it all. As soon as we have any news, we shall let everyone know.

Bob McGhee



Letter of thanks for the Time for a Cuppa Event

From Dementia UK:

“Hi Tracey,

We want to say a huge thank you to our amazing Time for a Cuppa hosts for making this year’s event so special. We truly appreciate every cuppa poured, cake sliced and minute spent organising and hosting your event.

Because of you, more families like Hannah and Neil, who was diagnosed with **young onset dementia aged 41**, can access the support of our dementia specialist Admiral Nurses.“

*“Our whole family is living with dementia. I don’t want our daughters to have to live with it – but we do and it’s frustrating and exhausting. There is never a moment where it’s not on my mind, but Admiral Nurse Lizzie is on my side. She isn’t here just to support Neil, but to support me. She helps me deal with dementia in a way that nobody else has.” - **Hannah***

The event held at Averham Church and organised by Tracey Carlisle back in May **raised over £250!** Thanks again to all those who gave their support.

WHAT'S ON?

National Election Day: 4th July 07:00 - 22:00

Polling Station: *Robin Hood Theatre*

World Chocolate Day 7th July

Mobile Library:

On Staythorpe Road, Averham on: 8th July 14:10-14:25

5th Aug 14:10-14:25

Kelham Hall *Night at the Proms* 14th July 3:00pm onwards

W.I. Meeting *Robin Hood Theatre* 8th July 7pm

Garden Club Meeting *Members Only* July and August

Book Club Meeting Awaiting Dates

Messy Church *St Michael and All Angels* 28th July 4:00pm

International Friendship Day 30th July

Southwell Minster *The Longest Yarn* 9th—27th September

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Village WhatsApp Groups

Did you know that our villages have their own WhatsApp Groups?

Well, we do and they keep us in touch with what's happening around us and share community news. If you'd like to join, here are the 'Administrator' details:

- ◇ **Averham:** Tracey Carlisle **07970 179755**
- ◇ **Kelham:** Judith Mills **07775 781591**
- ◇ **Staythorpe:** Debs Storey **07974 957684**

WANTED: FLOOD WARDEN VOLUNTEER

Given the exceptional weather conditions experienced recently it is important that our villages are prepared for flooding in the future. Currently the PC, NSDC and Notts CC are looking for volunteers in order to increase flood resilience across the District and County, specifically in Averham and Staythorpe. Should you wish to volunteer you will need to register with Notts. CC. It is a simple form to complete and then attend a short training course which can be done remotely or in person.

This is open to any resident who wishes to volunteer. If you would like to have a preliminary chat please contact the Acting Chair of the Parish Council on:

email: cllrbradey@gmail.com

Alternatively contact the East Midlands Flood Resilience Team:

floodresilience.eastmidlands@environment-agency.gov.uk

PARISH CLERK JOB VACANCY

If anyone is interested in the role, please email Acting Chairman Ian Bradey at:

cllrbradey@gmail.com

The hours are 15 per month plus 4 hours annual leave, mostly working from home but attending meetings as necessary, currently held at Kelham Hall. Training is available.

Salary is £2685 per annum (This figure in effect from 1st April 2024).

Equipment is supplied.

Meetings are every other month on the 3rd Monday plus 2 finance meetings a year.

Motoring On...

Local Business Celebrates Another Milestone

We Care Auto Repairs (WCAR) started life in December 2019 with Paul working out of his van offering a mobile car repair service. Having set up a Facebook page and delivered some leaflets he was soon overrun with work, mainly gained through recommendations and advertising in The Plough! The business went from strength to strength and, in June 2022,



WCAR moved into premises on Northern Road, Newark meaning that even more services could be offered, for example air conditioning, tyres, and repairs of light commercial vehicles up to 5 tonnes.

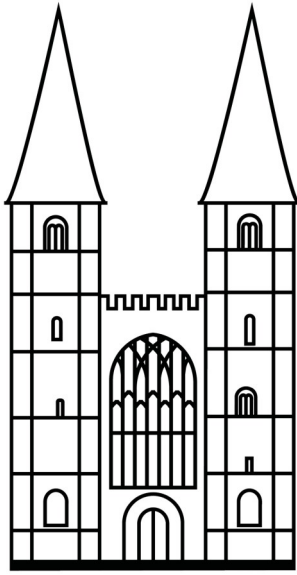
Two years on and Paul and his team of four are continuing to help the motorists of Newark by offering an honest and professional service, including collection and delivery where needed. We absolutely couldn't have got where we are today without the continued support and encouragement from our customers, many of whom have become good friends. As many of you know the kettle is always on and we look forward to seeing you again and seeing what the future brings.

Get in touch with Paul and his team on 01636 703938.

The Plough would like to thank Paul and his team for the terrific service they provide to our community. We wish him continued success. Editor

The Longest Yarn

9-27th September, Southwell Minster



Southwell Minster

Cathedral ♦ Gardens ♦ Palace

The Longest Yarn is coming to Southwell Minster in September in a UK-first as part of commemorations marking the 80th anniversary of D-Day.

[The Longest Yarn](#) is an 80 meter 3D depiction of that fateful day, 6th June 1944, in wool art.

With 80 displays, each measuring one metre in length, depicting scenes of the world's largest amphibious invasion, The Longest Yarn is something quite unique and not to be missed. The scenes include the build-up to D-Day in England, the horrors on the Landing Beaches and the bloody inland battles.



Initially the display will be in Carentan, France, in May, before coming to Southwell Minster from **9-27th September**

ASK Hive Community Hub

Plans continue to be prepared in anticipation of a yes from Notts County Council.

When we receive a positive reply, we will be asking for your

help in the following areas:



1. Legal:

- 1.1 Registration of Community Benefit Society with Asset Lock and charitable status
- 1.2 Registration with HMRC for SISR (Social Investment Tax Relief)
- 1.3 Registration with HMRC for Charitable VAT status
- 1.4 Agree Lease and License
- 1.4 Applying for change of use with Newark & Sherwood DC?

2. Finance:

- 2.1 Set up bank accounts
- 2.2 Insurances
- 2.3 Accounting system

3. Fundraising:

- 3.1 Grants
- 3.2 Donations
- 3.3 Membership
- 3.4 Equipment and services e.g. redundant commercial kitchen, bar and décor that we can re-purpose

4. Events:

- 4.1 Calendar of Events and Activities for Year 1
- 4.2 BBQ & Repair day for building
- 4.2 BBQ & tidy up day for grounds

5. Communications:

- 5.1 Spread the word for growing volunteers
- 5.2 Set up communication and involvement plan

6. Personnel:

- 6.1 Job descriptions for various posts
- 6.2 Handbook etc, Adverts, Contracts

ASK Hive Community Hub continued . . .

Please consider how you can become involved, and what you and your friends and family would want to see in our ASK Hive (Community Hub), not just for personal benefit but areas where we can use this magnificent space to help others.

At the outset, over a year ago, we gathered ideas for use covering educational and informational, sport, meetings and get togethers. This formed part of our application to Notts CC. It is always great to have additional ideas and duplicates, so don't worry about repeating ideas or thinking someone else will have suggested it, go for it and make a list. When we get underway, we will discuss all our options and (in the current political trend!) cost and prioritise the ideas for benefit to our society, the support they will require and of course cost implications.

Our main aim is to be financially self sufficient within 3 years and not reliant upon grants or handouts from other sources, unless there is a particular project that we feel the need to raise funds for your community benefit.

Commercial / social ideas that have been put forward and business plans put in place are for a Bakery / Café with limited essential retail, this is planned to train and qualify people to develop their careers.

A Nursery to look after children and in time train and qualify new people in the growing demand for Nursery trained staff.

Ambitious, yes, but there is wonderful community spirit within the three villages seen at the Queen's Jubilee, the Coronation and the resistance to the extensive energy developments planned, with some already approved. Through our ASK Hive we will develop this by helping you get to know your neighbours on other streets or villages creating new friendships and interest groups.

To achieve this, the team are realistic in today's busy world, and are trying to limit commitment so that the ASK Hive gets lots of willing, albeit, occasional volunteers to help out with the odd event or cleaning etc.

As soon as we know, either way, about the decision we will let you know.

St Michael and All Angels Church

Sitting, elevated above the River Trent, it is one of the most beautiful and oldest churches in the county. From the courtyard you have wonderful views over the river, a great place to rest in peaceful contemplation. The current building dates back to the 1500's but exhibits English and Decorated work from the 13th and 14th centuries!



The porch dates from 1526, and the interior was “remodelled” and eight years later; re-roofed. In 1875 the Sutton mausoleum was transformed into the vestry, this was fifteen years after Mrs. J.H. Manners-Sutton gifted the school in 1860.

Extracted from the Nottinghamshire History site. Photo from 2000.

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Please call us on 07714799408, find us on Facebook or email us at:

muskhamplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk

the WI

INSPIRING WOMEN

June Report

We had a really lively talk from David Newby who has taken on the catering facilities at the Saracens Head in Southwell.

Very little of the talk was about food, but about the amazing history in which the local hostelry is steeped, having some walls dating to the 16th century. It is most famous for its connection to King Charles 1 and the Civil War and has undergone many changes over the centuries and from coaching inn to a modern day quality hotel. And of course it wouldn't be a respectable ancient building without several ghosts!!

More about the present day: David has great plans to develop the ground floor not only as a restaurant but a local community facility for parties and special events using local suppliers and putting the hotel back to a central point for Southwell. With his enthusiasm for the project it cannot fail. We are going to have our next Ladies that Lunch event there so more about the food later.

Summer always is a busy time for outings and we have several things lined up. The Lavender fields of Yorkshire and even a trip to Rome. We are once again enjoying the summer season of Whist and regular Rummikub. Always something happening with the WI!

Why not give us a try in July. Our next monthly meeting is on July 8th 7pm at the Robin Hood Theatre when we will be having a presentation from Kevin Winter from the Civil War Museum in Newark giving us another dimension of the role of Newark during the Civil War. We are a friendly bunch of lasses from different walks of life able to offer you interests and friendship.

For more information contact Jenny Quickmire on

07890641102.



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ASK Garden Club Report June 2024

ASK Garden Club – Garden Visit

The Poplars, Hawton

For our second summer outing, a group of ten of us met up in the church car park for a short walk to The Poplars where we were met by our hosts Ian, Michael and their two dogs, Lottie and Spencer. It threatened rain, but thankfully this passed over and as we entered their garden the sun came out.

Michael began by saying they had moved up from London in May 2022 from a house with a very small garden to this 1.2 acre plot that wraps around an early Georgian farmhouse. Both passionate gardeners for over thirty years, they had been looking for somewhere to live with a large garden they could make their own, and this has proved



ideal even though Ian said he initially wanted around eight acres!

Like so many of us, they began by maintaining the garden that the previous owners had left, spending hours weeding an enormous island bed and linier border which obscured the open views from the house.

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ASK Garden Club Report *continued*

There was also an inappropriately placed large deep pond which the dogs often found themselves in and then being covered in duckweed as a result.

Ian and Michael soon decided these 'adopted features' had to go and their plan to make it their garden began by clearing masses of brambles from under a horse chestnut tree, creating a large open space now only broken up by wildlife beds planted with fruit trees and thousands of spring bulbs. Nearer the house are smaller, more formal island beds planted up with various flowering shrubs, roses, dahlias (cleverly supported by bamboo baskets), alliums and ornamental grasses.

These beds are mulched with bark to help retain moisture, keep the weeds down and steppingstone pathways divide the beds created from terracotta tiles reclaimed from the kitchen subfloor. All this area was cleared, new beds created and planted up by the end of March this year!



We all meandered over to the patio area at the side of the house which is surrounded by timber topped brick columns that enclose the patio which is made up of gravel, paving and planted up with drought resistant plants such as santolina, lavender, rosemary, and nepeta under olive trees in giant resin terracotta pots. These pots are bottomless allowing the roots of the trees to establish themselves in the ground beneath reducing the need for watering.

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ASK Garden Club Report *continued*



Further around from the patio Ian and Michael created a formal chill-out area between mature sycamore and horse chestnut trees which includes blue brick edged angular beds, paved area, seating and a

fire pit. All of the flowering shrubs and perennials have white flowers, apart from one yellow rose purchased on a whim from B&Q.... "Well it looked to be white on the label". However, their attention to detail is to be admired, they have even arranged the angle of the beds to line up for the best views from all their seating areas including from the dining room table. We returned to the patio area and enjoyed tea/coffee and delicious apple crumble tray cake made especially for us by Michael and Ian for the occasion.



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ASK Garden Club Report *continued*

They run baking classes (staghillbakes.co.uk), seems baking is another passion of theirs; I don't think it will be too long before one or two of our group enrol!



You can visit this garden on Sunday 18 th August afternoon (2-5.30) when it will be open as part of the NGS gardens open for charity.

Next Meeting: Sherwood Forest Railway Wednesday 24th July 3.00pm:
Fancy a short steam train ride into Sherwood Forest and a picnic?

Please note, at the time of going to press this still has to be confirmed.

For further details contact me: bootiqueonline@outlook.com

or 07929 367461

Nigel Britton

A plough from the Past



Robert Hull b. May 1920 d. June 1993

A picture of one of Roger King's (Averham resident) relatives using his shire horses, Princess and Lilac, showing what a plough used to be! A bit different from today!

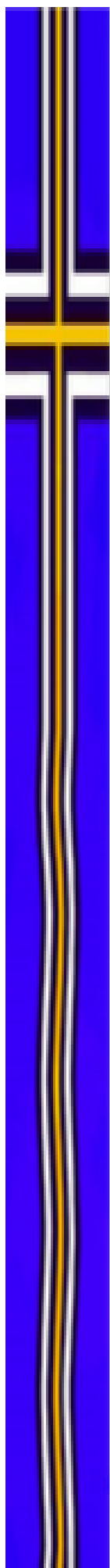
Robert Hull was Roger's 2nd cousin and the whole of the Hull family were, and still are, farmers in Lancashire.

The picture was taken in Cockerham, near Lancaster during a ploughing

Summer is here?

Holidays are approaching and the sun is shining a gentle breeze and all is right with the world (if only!).

The Plough is not produced in January or August to give a break for Christmas and summer for the wonderful people who take time to contribute and distribute The Plough. The next publication will be September. The September issue will be the last one produced totally in-house as the contract on the printing machine comes to an end and at long last Hilary Snell can have her office back. Many thanks to Hilary for allowing the BIG printer to be housed there.



CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND UNITED SERVICES		
Sunday 7th July 9:30am	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	Holy Communion
Sunday 14th July 9:30am	St Wilfrid's South Muskham	Morning Prayer
Sunday 21st July 9.30am	St Wilfrid's Kelham	Holy Communion
Sunday 21st June 3:00pm	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	Messy Church
Sunday 28th July 9:30am	St Michael and All Angels Averham	Morning Prayer
Sunday 28th July 9:30am	St Michael and All Angels Averham	Messy Church
Sunday 4th August 9:30am	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	Morning Prayer
Sunday 11th August 9:30am	St Wilfrid's South Muskham	Holy Communion
Sunday 18th August 9:30am	St Wilfrid's Kelham	Morning Prayer
Sunday 25th August 9:30am	St Michael and All Angels Averham	Holy Communion

CHURCH NEWS

We continue to hold our regular services, albeit once a month, which is always the last Sunday of the month at 9.30am. Perhaps a little early for some but we do round the event off with coffee and cakes!

‘Messy Church’ continues to be a favourite with the youngsters . Watch out for the updates on this on the villages WhatsApp site. It again is usually held on the last Sunday of the month at 4pm. Many thanks to Anne for her hard work.

The fund raiser for Dementia UK did really well raising over £250 for the charity. Many thanks to all who supported Tracey’s event.

We do seem to focus on coffee and cake as we will be holding our next tea and chat event on July 31st.

Church cleaning and flowers for July Jenny Quickmire

Jenny Quickmire

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AVERHAM CHURCH

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/AB066F56-6393-4D59-8C9F-813BD2AD1557>



There's still time to change your mind.

As I write we are well into the General Election campaign and when you read this we will be about to vote. I say we as I hope that all of us who are eligible to vote will do so. It not only is a right but also a privilege. Looking at the turnout in 2019 nearly three quarters of us in this constituency voted, better than the national average, but it would be great for it to be more.

On what will you base your decision: me, us or them? It has felt that over the past 45+ years of my voting career there has been a narrowing of the debate, partly due to our love of the media soundbite. Increasingly it feels like politicians have become sales assistants seeking to sell something that will make life better for 'me' or at least no worse.

Where is the 'us' in the election rhetoric? A recognition that what may be better for us may come at a cost to you and me. In my mind at the moment is the approaching arrival of the notification of my state pension. For me to receive that requires others to pay for it in the same way that during my working life I have been paying towards others' state pension. Also, the 'us' is how we consider where we should place our vote with regards to policies that seek to deal with climate change. For many at the moment in this locality there is a focus on the impact of solar farms but I trust we will vote on the broader issue of all those things that can change the balance for the generations that follow us.

And what about the 'them', those that are different from us. Who do we see as 'them', possibly we should consider them as 'us'. The Church of England has been running "Pray Your Part" which promotes prayer and participation in the campaign. We are encouraged to remember that those offering themselves for public office 'need and deserve our support and prayer' and that we 'rightly expect integrity in those engaged in public life' but that we should expect the same standards of ourselves. We are reminded of the importance of truth, particularly in a world where social media will flag up more of what you like rather than providing a balance of perspectives.

"In the Lord's Prayer, Jesus teaches us to pray each day, 'Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven'. This simple and profound prayer is our starting point during the days leading up to the General Election – and all the days beyond. May God's will be done in our nation and in God's world."

All blessings,

Nigel Spraggins,

Lay Canon,

Southwell Minster

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