

Sheriff Hutton Village News



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Managing Village News for a Sustainable Future

Almost 57 years ago Sheriff Hutton Village News came into existence. Over those years, 680+ editions of the News have been developed from a small, homespun publication, to what you see today, and the number of copies produced has increased from a few hundred each month to almost 700 now. Despite the growth in number of copies produced every month, the Village News remains a voluntary-run, free-to-every house publication, and that is how we want it to remain and continue. It is funded by the advertisement income and a few, generous donations each year. But, as with everything else in the world today, our costs are rising and the opportunity to raise advertising income is not increasing at the same rate. (Note, we do check printing costs from time to time but we have not found a cheaper printer than the one we have been using for some years).

We are aware that some village news letters in other villages are restricting the length of articles in an attempt to contain costs (one has a maximum length of 300 words for each article), which can be an unhelpful constraint at times, but we do ask our contributors to think carefully not about what they say but how they say it.

What we shall be aiming to do is to keep the Village News to 12 pages per edition, 9 pages of news, two pages of advertisements and the back page summaries of forthcoming events. It is a format which works well and it is a format which we can afford within current income. When we have to go to a 16-page edition the cost exceeds the amount we can afford to pay and we have to dip into our small reserve to cover emergencies.

So, *please*, keep the people of Sheriff Hutton, Lilling, Whenby and Farlington informed of your organisation's activities, that is what we are here for, but "think size" when you are composing what you want to tell people. Many thanks from your Editorial Team.

Mobile Library

The next visit will be on **Friday 18th September 2026 10 am – 12 noon, in the Sheriff Hutton Village Hall carpark**. The mobile library can be used as a drop-in facility to select or return books as it used to be before the pandemic. If you wish to request a specific title, please browse through our online catalogue at <https://capitadiscovery.co.uk/northyorkshire> and place a reservation using your borrower number and your PIN, selecting 'SuperMobile' as your pick-up location. There may be a small charge for this service. Free downloads of eBooks, e-audiobooks and magazines are available from our website at www.northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library.

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NB. The Super-Mobile Library dates may be subject to change and cancellations at short notice.

Monthly Jigsaw Exchange

Friday 11th September is the date for the return of our monthly Jigsaw Exchange. It takes place the second Friday of each month in the Village Hall 10am - 12noon with refreshments available, so come along to enjoy cake and a cuppa while browsing our many jigsaws, or just for a catch up with friends and/or neighbours. If you are a newcomer to the Village or surrounding area and enjoy making jigsaws, come along and join our many fellow "jigsawers", exchange jigsaws for £1 each and get to know new people as well as finding out what other activities the Villages has to offer. Everyone is most welcome, even if jigsaws are not your thing, come along for the cake and a cuppa. Cash only.

Parish Council

The Parish Council met on the 13th August 2026. Councillors present at the meeting were Penny Bean (Chairman), Marcus Oxendale, Sally Wright, Sam Warriner, Phillip Lazenby and Ed Stephenson. 9 members of the public (6 part meeting only).

The following new planning application was received for consideration this month:

ZE26/00572/73 Cheese Vat Farm, The Granary Daskett Hill Sheriff Hutton.

Removal of condition 03 of planning approval 20/00644/73 dated 27.08.2020 to allow for the unrestricted permanent occupation of the dwelling.

Decision - No Objection.

To note the following planning application which was received in-between meetings:

ZE26/00509/HOUSE 25 Castle Side Sheriff Hutton

Erection of single storey rear extension and front porch

Decision - No Objection.

The following new planning decision was received this month:

ZE26/00405/FUL Cricket Pavillion Strensall To Sheriff Hutton Road Sheriff Hutton

First floor extension to existing clubhouse with external alterations and installation of Photovoltaic panels.

APPROVED.

Overhanging Hedges/Bushes

The Parish Council would like to remind residents of the need to ensure that any overgrown hedges and bushes are cut back to maintain the adequate width of the footpath and so not to block light from streetlights.

Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Thursday 10th September 2026 in the Miss Ward Room at the Methodist Church @ 7.30 pm.

Louise Pink, the Parish Clerk, can be contacted regarding all Parish Council matters at sheriffhuttonparishcouncil@gmail.com or on (01904) 861131. C/O Sheriff Hutton Methodist Church, West End, Sheriff Hutton, York. YO60 6SH.

Village Ramble

This month's ramble on Thursday 24th September will be about 5 miles long in and around the villages of Barton le Street, Appleton le Street and Castle Howard Ridge, followed by a pub lunch at the Crown and Cushion in Welburn. We meet as usual at Sheriff Hutton Village Hall car park ready to leave at 9:30am. New ramblers are welcome with car sharing available.

Second Hand Book and Jigsaw Sale

Sunday 4th October:

- In the Village Hall 10am - 2pm
- Bacon and sausage baps available along with our usual selection of delicious homemade cakes.
- Also, tea/coffee and squash.

The cost of books and jigsaws are donations only, but for refreshments etc., there will be a charge. A card reader will be available.

Support needed - can you help with this lovely, friendly event?

This event is very popular, but to enable us to keep it going year on year as our largest annual fund raiser, we need a few volunteers to help our very small committee to set up on Saturday 3rd October 6.15 pm onwards, Sunday morning for event itself, and to help pack away at the end of the sale. If you are willing to help out, please let anyone on the committee know or phone / text Sandra 07889 876397 or Barbara 07811 259184.

We will take good condition hard back and paperback books, fact or fiction and jigsaws. These can be brought in advance to the Village Hall on Friday 11th September 9am -12 noon, while the Jigsaw Exchange runs, or on the evening of Saturday 3rd October 6.15pm - 7.30pm while we are setting up for the Sunday Sale.

Knit and Natter

Our informal Knit and Natter group starts to meet again on Monday mornings, 10 - 12 noon, in the Methodist Church. The interests of the current group are mainly knitting and some crocheting. Anyone is welcome to drop in whatever craft project you might be working on, or just for a cuppa. Free to attend.

Stillington Surgery

We will be offering flu and covid vaccinations to eligible cohorts from 1st October 2026.



Appointments will be available to book soon either via a direct booking link sent by the Surgery, via the NHS APP or at the Surgery. Please **DO NOT** book via the National Booking Service. **The Surgery will be closed from 12 noon on Wednesday**

16th September for staff training. Thank you.

Sheriff Hutton Village Market

Thank you so much to all our local volunteers who made cakes for, and ran, our Market Café at the August Market. We had a brilliant team of 20 different people filling slots from early morning until the end of the market, and a wonderful display of homemade cakes. All the volunteers enjoyed themselves, and we raised **£734.39** to go into the pot to provide grants for local groups. A big thank you as well to all who came and supported the Café on the day.

September Market

Our September Market is on **Sunday 13th September, 10:30 am - 1.30 pm**, and the Café will be hosted by Strensall Tigers U10s. We look forward to seeing you there!

Behind The Scenes Volunteers – We Need You!

Our market is run entirely by volunteers, both behind the scenes and on market days. We have a fantastic team, some of whom have been involved since the very beginning, while others have joined us along the way.

Together, we plan and organise each market, help run things on the day, and look after the many jobs that happen in the background between market dates. This includes administration, marketing, social media and finances, all helping to keep the market going as a regular community event.

The market is also about much more than the event itself. We support local independent businesses and give back to local community groups through the profits from our Market Café, which is run by a different group at each market, as well as through our annual grant scheme. For local clubs and non-charitable community groups, this funding can be a real lifeline, as they are unable to access many of the grants available to charities.

We now need more volunteers to help behind the scenes.

Our volunteer numbers have reduced this year, and we need more people to share the workload so that we can continue the market next year and beyond.

You don't need to have lots of experience, just a willingness to get involved and help where you can.

We would particularly welcome volunteers who could help with:

- Administration and planning
- Marketing and promotion
- Social media
- Coming up with ideas for future markets
- General behind-the-scenes support

If you think you could spare some time and would like to help keep this much-loved community event going, please get in touch with us to have an informal chat and find out more.

Every bit of help makes a difference, and we'd love to hear from you!

Please get in touch to discuss with us at mail@shvm.co.uk or speak to a volunteer on market day.

Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group

We had a very interesting talk at our August meeting, Margaret Shaw from Malton Museum brought objects from the Iron Age, Roman Age and Middle Ages, each had a story to tell.

Wednesday 9th September is our next meeting at 2 pm in the Village Hall, entitled Life on Mars. A former policewoman will talk about her life and work. She has been before and is very interesting and entertaining so do come along.

Non-members £3 for any further information please contact Anne 07391515299 or Gail 07711079653

Children's Christmas Shoe Box Appeal (Target Age Groups 2 - 14 years)

It's that time of year again when we increase the momentum of collecting items that we can gift to children in need across the world, that are in dire situations. This is done through the process of packing them into medium sized shoe boxes.

In these boxes we include; a woolly hat, scarf and where possible gloves; flannel (no soap allowed now), tooth brush, hair ties, brush or comb; school exercise book, pens, pencils, solar powered calculators etc.; colouring books, pens and pencils; small games, toys and puzzles; a cuddly toy.

Any items received not suitable for, or won't fit into the shoe box, are gifted closer to home; to children that have had to flee with a parent/carer to escape abuse. This is done through IDAS in York, so everything is used and deeply appreciated, nothing goes to waste.

Any funds raised are split; supporting the purchase of shoe boxes while a percentage is donated to help with carriage costs of the boxes, another percentage is given to IDAS to buy specific items and welcome packs, and the remaining amount donated to Malton and Norton Food banks.

We have managed to get ahead of ourselves this year and it's wonderful to report that nearly all the knitting is done. We are however, very short of schooling and colouring items, small games, toys and puzzles and mostly importantly, cuddly toys.

If you can help in any way, please get in touch with Melanie hm99960@rocketmail.com

Stillington Surgery

FREE Health and Wellbeing Open Day, 10am – 2pm and 5pm – 7pm, on Thursday **17th September**, Stillington Village Hall.

Call into Stillington Village Hall to learn more about NHS services, EDDCA, Men's Shed, Marie Curie and more, to see how they can support your health and wellbeing. Refreshments available. All welcome.

Hosted by Stillington Surgery Patient Participation Group



Sheriff Hutton Jumbles – 40 years of fund raising

We are back in action after such a long hot summer and looking forward to continuing our fund raising. After the minor accidents several of our team have suffered recently, it has been suggested we should be called "The Tumbles". However, not wishing to tempt fate we will stick to our proper name and have two events organised for September.

Our next Jumble Sale will be on **Saturday 5th September** from 2 pm to 4 pm, to raise money for Dementia Forward. As well as the jumble on offer there will be a cake stall and tombola. All money raised will be used to support those suffering this awful illness and their carers'.

If you are having a clear out or moving house, we welcome your cast offs. Please remember, we can only sell clean, good condition things, in a useable state, particularly clothes, books, toys, bric-a-brac. We are unable to take any large items as we find these are difficult to dispose of if they are not sold. A rough guide is, will it go in a regular sized car? We will be taking your donations in on the Saturday morning between 8.30 am and 10.30 am. We may be able to access the Hall on Friday night, so please check on our Facebook page or ask any of the Jumbles during the week before.

Delicious homemade refreshments will be available from the Bowling Club during the afternoon.

Our second event will be our annual Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning on Saturday 26th September between 10 am and 12 noon at The Village Hall. This will be our 27th and we welcome people of all ages. There will be Bonnie and Fiona's Preloved Jewellery, bags and scarves on sale plus books and a cake stall, tombola and raffle. Although cash is not used by as many people now, we will still be doing our Money Tree so please bring along your spare small change to add to Elaine's 2026 creation.

These two charities are such worthwhile causes which benefit many people from our community so please try to come along and support our events. Meet old friends and new. Whether you are a newcomer to the Village or have been to support us in the past, we warmly welcome you to join us.

Our last Jumble Sale of the year will be on **10th October** raising money for the ever-popular Swinton Brass Band. **Penny Bean – on behalf of all the Jumbles**

Working to convert your cast offs into cash for worthy causes. Telephone 01347 878392

Village Show

The 2026 Village Show was well supported by both exhibitors and visitors and was a good celebration of the various talents of both the young and the not quite so young of Sheriff Hutton and the surrounding villages.

The school art this year was especially well supported with good numbers in all age groups so, a very big thank you to teachers and pupils for creating such a lovely display. We also had some very good children's entries from home, including a wonderfully inventive fruit / vegetable / pasta animal that won the prize for the best piece of work in the children's section.

The quality and variety in the craft section, was excellent, we obviously have a lot of crafting talent for a small Village. The photography class was again well supported with a good display of interesting and beautiful photos.

As expected, after all these heat waves the numbers in the produce and flower section were reduced but there was still a good number of quality fruit and vegetables, and beautiful flowers and foliage. The Sheriff Hutton Gardening Club Potato Competition winners put on an excellent display of well-presented prize-winning potatoes. The most popular categories in the fruit and veg section were small tomatoes, rhubarb and apples but there were also lovely displays of beautifully dressed onions and shallots. Roses always seem to do well here whatever the weather, and there was a good number of lovely specimens in the flower section, with dahlias also being popular.

The Cookery and preserves numbers were also less than previous years, perhaps we need to introduce a no-bake cake section if we get another summer like this one! However, we had a good number of marmalades, biscuits and some lovely cakes including a beautiful show-stopper.

I want to thank all the competitors and all the wonderful volunteers, without whom the show just could not happen, and the various judges, some of whom were here for the first time. Also, a big thank you to all those who donated raffle prizes, we had some fantastic prizes and as a result the raffle was very popular. Thanks to Peter Anderson for the live entertainment for our cafe customers, an added bonus.

The Competition winners are as follows:

Potato Competition

Heaviest crop 1st Chris Shields, 2nd Terry Fisher

Biggest potato: Terry Fisher

Children's Prizes

Under 5's Shield: Violet Colley

Children's Shield: Beatrice Lawson-Gray

Children's Junior Cup: Beatrice Lawson-Gray

Children's Senior Cup: Rose Bell

Alan Farnaby Memorial Trophy: Beatrice Lawson-Gray

Class Cups

Warwick Cup: Tony Thompson

Richard III Cup: Henrietta Myerscough Swiers

Craft Cup: Cherry Whitbourn Hammond

Neville Plate: Gary Laville

Photography Cup: Gary Laville

Cookery and Preserves Cup: Hilary Bainbridge

Association Cup: Judith Goodwill

The Show is for everyone and I am very happy to change things up a bit, so if you have any ideas on how to make it better or suggestions of any different categories, please do get in touch.

Email shgardeningclub@gmail.com

Fiona Baker, Show Secretary

Village Charity

Are you planning to go to Uni, College or to start an apprenticeship this autumn? If so, the Trustees of the Village Charity would love to hear from you to discuss the possibility of a grant. Please contact the secretary, **John Oakley, Old School House Tel 01347-878754 or 07935707863**

Gardening Club

We return to the Village Hall for our September meeting on Wednesday 16th at 7.30pm, when our speaker will be Colin Hickman of Hoyland Plant Centre. He will bring Agapanthus to demonstrate their propagation and versatility. They are not restricted to pot growing, deciduous types happily grow in the border. Plants for sale.

As with very cold winters, 2010/11, hot summers appear to kill plants but is it just self-preservation? Perhaps wait and see before taking any action

Sheriff Hutton History Group

Last month we reminded readers of the History Group's continuing interest in memories and documentation concerning our Village, and I'm delighted to say that we have just completed scanning a set of Deeds and associated paperwork to do with one of the older properties in the Village.

This type of record is incredibly useful in helping to establish a broad picture of the development of the Village over time and we would greatly appreciate having the opportunity to scan similar material if it was offered, the originals would of course be returned as soon as scanning had been completed. Clearly the digital copies of these items are confidential and would not be available for access without the owner's permission, but for bona fide students they would be invaluable.

We can always scan and copy documents of interest or record and photograph artefacts for those who wish to retain them and we have the facilities to record memories and anecdotes from those who might wish to share them. Visitors wishing to research in our collections (by appointment), are always welcome and all enquiries should be addressed in the first instance to our Archivist by email to archivist@sheriffhuttonhistorygroup.co.uk

New Season

Our new season of talks starts next month. On the 23rd September at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, Glennis Whyte will be telling us 'Strange and Ghostly Tales of the Treasurer's House' in York. Is this the most haunted house in York? You are invited to come along to hear some scary stories and creepy tales and to judge for yourself!

Coming up

Our October talk will be by Karen Adams who will be taking us through 'A Day in the Life of an Archaeologist'. This will be on October 28th at 7.30 pm as usual in the Village Hall.

Entry to our talks is free to members or £3 on the door to visitors and includes refreshments.

For further information please contact us using the following: info@sheriffhuttonhistorygroup.co.uk or archivist@sheriffhuttonhistorygroup.co.uk

St Leonard's, Farlington

The sun shone and gave us a delightful day to celebrate Lammastide - Loaf Mass with bread made with wheat from this year's harvest - and to enjoy the delicious refreshments which followed.

Following on from Lammas, in September we have our popular Harvest Festival when we celebrate the end of the year's harvest. As usual, we shall have our **Harvest Festival and Harvest Supper on Friday, September 25th at 6.30 pm** and follow this with a Harvest Communion service on the following Sunday (27th) at 10.30 am. We look forward to seeing you at these occasions, or any of our other services in St Leonard's.

Services in September

- Sunday: September 13th: 10.30am: Shortened Matins (BCP)
- **Friday: September 25th: 6.30pm: Harvest Festival followed by the Harvest Supper**
- Sunday: September 27th: 10.30am: Holy Communion for Harvest (BCP)

Private Prayer. The church is open every day for private prayer and 'quiet time' and the peaceful churchyard is open at all times.

Farlington Village Macmillan Coffee Morning
in the Blacksmiths Arms
Let's Do A Coffee Morning
Friday 2nd October 10.00 – 12.00 noon
Please come along and join us

St Mary's, Marton in the Forest

We plan to have two services this month:

Sun 6th September - Celtic Communion at 6 pm

Sun 20th September - Celtic Harvest Celebration at 6 pm.

It's always lovely to see a church decorated for harvest! All food items will be donated to the 'I am Reusable' Community Foodbank in York. Our 'Marton and Moxby Pantry' is a collection point all year round, but we do try to make a special effort at harvest, Christmas and Easter. So, if you have any surplus foodstuffs with a reasonable shelf life and would like them to find good homes, we'll happily pass them on.

The Methodist Church

Services in September, all starting at 10.30 am:

- 6th Mr David Marwood
- 13th Rev. Ann Vaughan
- 20th No service at Sheriff Hutton. There is a service at Huby Methodist church at 10.30 am
- 27th **Harvest Festival with Rev. Andrew Foster**

Every Wednesday

9.30 am – 10 am Prayers and quiet meditation in the chapel

10 am – 11.15 am Drop in for Coffee. Coffee / tea and biscuits in the Church Hall. Do come along. No charge

Film Club – Thursday 17th September 2 pm Start

Showing a film starring Terence Stamp and Vanessa Redgrave. A grumpy older man is persuaded by his wife to join her choir and then embarks on a life affirming journey. PG, 90 minutes long. Refreshments available at the beginning. Doors open 1.45 pm. No charge, donations welcome.

Harvest Festival

Do come along and join us for our Harvest Festival service. We are welcoming the Rev. Andrew Foster to lead it and we always enjoy him visiting us. Coffee and cake will be served in the church hall after the service. Please join us.

Notices for St. Helen's

Services for September are:

Sunday, 13th September at 10.00am – Holy Communion with Rob

Sunday, 27th September – Morning Worship with Margaret

Advance notice for Sunday, October 11th at 10 am – Harvest Festival with Archdeacon Liz Hassall

We would be very pleased to see you at any service and welcome visitors but if a service is not for you there are many other opportunities and ways to see and experience our wonderful and historical church. Do come and use the church for a quiet time, reflection, some peace and quiet, a wander or to keep cool. There are also the Festival Church events, please see these in the Festival Church section.

We are now in what is described as a vacancy, with Steve and Sue having left us on 31st July. Vacancies can last for some months, and in some cases over a year, but the Churchwardens in the Benefice are already liaising with the Archdeacon and Area Dean over the Benefice and Parish Profiles and what we are looking for in terms of a new vicar. Other churches in the Benefice are Farlington, Marton, Stillington and Sutton. Neil Hodges is the Sheriff Hutton representative on the working group to select a new vicar. COOL SPACE – the church is lovely and cool in very hot weather so please feel free to use it as a cool space.

St Helen's Festival Church Events

Festival Church Upcoming Events

2026

September 20th Soundbath
October 17th Murder Mystery
October 18th Soundbath
November 21st Victorian Christmas Market

2027

June Floral Festival (Date TBC)
June 19th Ryedale Singers (Time TBC)



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Last month - Step Back in Time at Our Spectacular Wedding Dress Exhibition!

The wedding dress display, complete with wedding dresses, suits, bridesmaids' dresses, christening gowns, mother of the bride / groom outfits was just amazing. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed whether that was lending a treasured outfit, helping to set up or clear up, or both, doing beautiful flower arrangements, packing and unpacking, hanging the outfits, displaying them, cleaning, generally helping or coming to look around. Thanks also to Sally and her fabulous Bluebell Café. It was a great weekend, and we think over 250 people came to look around, and not just from the Village.

We had dresses dating from 1928 right up to the present day. Some of the oldest and most delicate gowns were so fragile they had to be carefully laid flat rather than hung. With outfits representing every decade, it was fascinating to see the changing styles, fabrics and craftsmanship that have shaped wedding fashion over the past century.

Forthcoming Events For The Rest Of The Year

1) Relaxing Sound Bath at St Helen's Church, Sheriff Hutton

Following the success of our previous two Sound Bath events at St Helen's Church, we are delighted to announce two new dates:

- **Sunday 20th September at 4:00 pm**
- **Sunday 18th October at 4:00 pm**

No previous experience is needed. Simply bring a yoga mat or something comfortable to lie on, along with a pillow and blanket. Then settle back, relax, and enjoy the soothing sounds of chimes and gongs. A sound bath offers a peaceful time for yourself and may support relaxation, stress relief, and improved sleep. We have already welcomed 48 people through the doors, so feel free to speak to someone who has attended before to find out what the experience is like.

Booking

You can book in any of the following ways:

- Email Chantelle at enhanceyou.chantelle@gmail.com
- Call or text Chantelle on **07753 741427**
- Look out for the Eventbrite booking link on the Sheriff Hutton Facebook pages
- You are also welcome to turn up on the day.

Entry is **£15 cash**. Advance notice would be helpful where possible, but it is not essential. For any other questions about the Sound Bath, please contact Chantelle or Justine. Take some time for yourself and enjoy a deeply relaxing sound bath in the peaceful surroundings of St Helen's Church.

2) Murder in the Pumpkin Patch

Date: 17th October 2026, 7 pm - 10 pm, cost: £25 per person.

Join us for thrills and chills solving a spooky murder mystery in the pumpkin patch!

Friends of St Helens Sheriff Hutton, a community Festival Church, present Murder in the Pumpkin Patch, a local community event. Enjoy an evening of intrigue, laughter and suspense with this Murder Mystery event, brought to you by the Moonstone Murder Mystery company.

The evening will include a welcome drink and a supper of jacket potato with a variety of fillings, followed by chocolate brownie and cheesecake. Vegan and vegetarian options also available. Cash bar only. Dress: (optional) if you would like to add to the 'Murder in the Pumpkin Patch' atmosphere, please come dressed in casual farming / gardening attire or as your favourite detective!

Murder in the Pumpkin Patch continued overleaf...

Murder in the Pumpkin Patch continued....

To book:

- Find us on Eventbrite by using the QR code below
- Email FriendsOfStHelens1100@gmail.com
- Pick up a paper form from the Sheriff Hutton Post Office



Tickets are selling fast so be sure to book yours soon. We hope to see you there.

3) Victorian Christmas Market

The ever-popular Victorian Christmas Market returns on Saturday 21st November, 11 am – 3 pm. Our stunning old church has hosted five (is that really right!?) fantastic Christmas shopping events and we are excited for the sixth one. The church becomes a market, pews become stalls, the altar hosts art displays and Sally's Bluebell Café will be there as usual. We will have all kinds of Christmas tunes and music. The atmosphere is magical; the church looks really festive (the heating is on!) and it's a great day out. We are also expecting some animals to add to the occasion. Watch this space!

This event is quite different to the monthly Village Market, however many stall holders are present at the December Village Market on the 15th December, so you can order things on the 21st November and collect at the Village Market three weeks later.

Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club

Season review and thanks

- The club has had a “fabulous” summer season.
- The new Monday and Wednesday evening league has proved popular; finishing mid-table is described as a good result for the club.
- In the Ryedale and District Vet's League, the club has won 4 of 9 matches, with one match still to play and a target of 5 wins from 10.
- Thanks are given to all supporters over the summer, with the green expected to reopen in April.

Green maintenance and wildlife issues

- The green has held up well through dry, hot weather.
- Autumn regeneration work is planned, following advice from an experienced greenkeeper at York Golf Club (thanks to Philip).
- Discouraging crows from digging holes has been challenging.

Upcoming autumn fixtures and events

Outdoor bowling

- Autumn Fours competition: **Wednesday 2nd September**, followed by a social event at the club.
- Last outdoor session on the green: **Wednesday 9th September**.

Indoor bowling (Ryedale Indoor Bowling Club)

- Indoor season starts: week beginning **Monday 14th September**.
- First Sheriff Hutton indoor session: **Wednesday 16th September at 2 pm**.

AGM

- Annual General Meeting: **Monday 23rd November at 2 pm** in the clubhouse.

Social event: Bingo returns

- **Friday 18th September**
- Doors open / evening from **7 pm**, eyes down at **7.30 pm**

Friends of Sheriff Hutton Village Hall 200 Club

The winners for August are 30, 85, 125, 176 and 220. Many congratulations to all.

Remember, the opportunity to become a member will open again in November, for just £20, so please get in touch if interested, and I'll send you all the details needed then.

Melanie. Email hm99960@rocketmail.com



Sheriff Hutton Hedgehog Project



Hedgehog Highways – Have you Made one Yet?

We have awarded some hedgehog highway signs, received as part of last year's Sheriff Hutton Village Market grant, to local residents who have installed a new hole in a fence or wall to allow hedgehogs to pass through to the next property. **We still have some left to award.** So, have you made a new access hole for hedgehogs (minimum of 13 cm x 13 cm) in a fence or other barrier at the edge of your property? If so let us know and we are happy to provide a hedgehog highway sign to raise the profile of the importance of hedgehog routes between gardens and properties. Hedgehogs can travel long distances each night, up to 1 mile, looking for food and also for a mate. Closing off boundaries can seriously affect their chances of survival. So, let's help them as much as we can by improving access for them.

Food and Water

Thank you to all of you who have been putting water out for hedgehogs and other wildlife during the drought which has been very much appreciated. Hedgehogs really appreciate fresh water at ground level at all times but particularly when it is so dry for them.

Some of you have also newly started putting food out for them which is great. Kitten biscuits or a good-quality hedgehog food with **chicken (or another meat protein as the main ingredient)** are great for them and help whilst the ground is so hard for finding worms etc. Please avoid foods containing mealworms, calciworms, seeds or similar ingredients, as these can be harmful to hedgehogs. If you're unsure what to feed, please get in touch. You can use a hedgehog house as a feeding station to keep the food dry and protected from cats etc. Placing a two-brick wall in front of the house with a smaller space for the hedgehog access tends to keep persistent cats out of hedgehog houses. The cheapest alternative is to use a plastic box with an entrance hole cut see link...

https://www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/Feeding_Station.pdf

Put the brick layer in front of the house with room for the hedgehog to enter and one on top to keep the house secure. It is now being recommended to make two entrance/exit holes in the box to avoid bullying if two hedgehogs get in the box at the same time.

Hedgehog houses are you interested in buying one?

If you are interested in getting a wooden hedgehog house or potentially a wooden feeding station let us know as we will be having some more available crafted by a local resident. Any profits will be used to support the Hedgehog Project.

Hedgehog sightings – if you saw hedgehogs last year, have you seen them again in 2026?

If you reported hedgehogs in 2025 but haven't yet sent us a sighting for 2026, we'd really like to hear from you. Even if the hedgehogs are visiting the same garden as before, a new record helps us confirm that they are still present.

Without a 2026 sighting, our records suggest that hedgehogs are no longer present at that location. So, if you've seen hedgehogs this year, please submit a new record. See recent group email for link.

Many thanks!

Not Joined Yet? We'd Love to Hear From You!

Whether you've seen hedgehogs, want to borrow a wildlife camera, or just fancy learning more, or you have a question, we'd love you to join our project and help build a better picture of our local hedgehogs.

Contact us: sheriffhedgehogs@gmail.com | 01347 878272.

Nature Group

We have 61 members in the Nature Group from both the Village News area and further afield. Allied to the group we also have the Sheriff Hutton Hedgehog Project with 95 members and over 50 Dark Sky Project Supporters. This is a significant combined group of local people with an interest in Nature and The Natural World. There has never been a more important time for us to support each other on raising the profile of nature in danger and making steps where we can to help and make positive changes. If you have ideas on this, we would love to hear from you.

A great positive step was that on 13th August, Sheriff Hutton Parish Council finalised and implemented a **Biodiversity Plan**. Let's make this the start of a new chapter locally for collaborating and enhancing nature.

Outdoor Events

Scarborough Seawatch, now 12th September.

We were sorry to postpone our Scarborough Seawatch trip on 11th July due to predicted sea mist which would have made it challenging to look for dolphins, porpoises and other sea life. This is rescheduled for Saturday 12th September starting at 10 am. At the time of going to print spaces are available. Prebooking is required so please contact us if you are interested in attending.

- In October we have our fungal foray on 18th October, at Strensall Common to look forward to.
- We are looking into new events soon for 2027, so if you have any ideas, please get in touch.

We recommence our evening talks after the summer in October at the Sheriff Hutton Methodist Church Hall. All talks start at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated. £3 non-member fee per talk. We have some great speakers for our new season and are very open to any non-members attending our talks. If you are interested in a programme of our 2026-2027 talks please contact us.

7th October: talk on 'Follow a Swallow – A Swallows Journey from Heslington to South Africa', with Sir John Lawton, Ecologist.

We are really pleased to welcome John Lawton to our Group and to hear his talk about Swallows. Sadly, the number of swallows resident in the area has decreased significantly. Come and hear about these beautiful birds which herald the start of Spring with their arrival, and spend their winters in Botswana and South Africa.

Logging Swallow nesting records.

If you had swallows nesting with you, or were aware of them on another local property, we would love to hear from you. We can log these records with the local Ecological Data centre to be used by Researchers.

If you would like any more information on the Sheriff Hutton Nature Group, please contact Sally on 01347 878272 or email our group at shnaturegroup@gmail.com

Sheriff Hutton Bridge Cricket Club

The Junior section continues to excel with the U15s Presidents Cup winners and unbeaten league winners. Unfortunately, they lost in the semifinal of the league play offs. They had a very depleted side due to unavailability (holidays) and injuries but pushed a strong South Milford side all the way. The U11s lost in the cup final to York and will Play the same side in the league playoff having won the league. The league play off is not until September 6th. The U13s have won the cup beating Woodhouse in the final; they were Yorkshire champions in the National cup, won the league undefeated and finally winning the playoffs by beating Woodhouse again in the final. Some very talented young cricketers in the club many of whom are playing senior cricket.

Castleford were the visitors for the 1st XI on 18th July and came with a reputation of one of the best sides in the league but had that somewhat dented getting bowled out for 90. Mark Fisher 3/31 and Conor Hyde 4/46 led the way. Oli Shepherd 41no and Mark Fisher 47 no knocked them off in 15 overs. Next was a visit to Hull Zingari where the home team won the toss and decided to field with early success leaving Bridge at 95 for 5 but a rearguard action from Clark Doughney 64 no supported by Sam Beales 25 took the score to 238. Zingari were bowled out for 128 in 44 overs with wickets being shared, the pick being Dave Hull 3 for 25 and Alex Wood 3 for 12 in 2.2 overs to finish proceedings.

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Cricket Club continued....

At home to Stamford Bridge winning the toss batted first but were soon in trouble at 26 for 3, enter Tom Shorthouse who hit a run a ball 155 ably supported by Alex Jenkins with 58 to take the total to 286. Stamford didn't roll over and managed 248 in 50 overs. Opening bowlers Conor Hyde and Mak Fisher had 3 wickets each. Off to Carlton Towers and the Tom Shorthouse show again; having been put in Bridge got off to a good start with Shepherd, Wood and Bennison getting starts but not going on. Then Shorthouse appeared continuing his form of last week with 114 of 95 to get the total to 296/8. Carlton had a good go coming up 35 short with wickets going to Hyde with 3/57 and 2 each for Shorthouse and Bennison. York were the next visitors with the match bound to have a big influence on the title. Batting first Bridge were in some early trouble but recovered to 234/8 with 37 from Mark Fisher and 42 from Sam Beales. None of the bowlers really got into York who chipped away steadily to win in the 49th over. With Clifton winning it makes the title chase even harder and help needed from others.

The 2s went to Bridlington where after early losses Matt Maltby 23 and then a great knock of 96 no from Tomme Botha set them on a winning path with Sam Giannini batting 10 put the icing on the cake with 37 no off 27 including stopping the Hull train by putting one out of the ground onto the railway line! Three bowlers saw them off with Danny Cass 4/51, Harry Sutcliffe 3/29 and Giannini 3/36 to bowl them out for 174. Sessay were next to visit the Bridge and as expected were a significant challenge; Sessay were asked to bat and racked up 324 for 8 thanks mainly to their overseas who hit 147. Sam Giannini 3 for 68 off 13 overs and Danny Cass 3 for 51 off 8 overs led the attack, the spinners had less luck. The Bridge reply was stilted with Chakraborty going in the first over; skipper Hugill managed a good 79 and despite good contributions down the order came up 49 short. Teenager Hanson had another good day behind the stumps with 3 more catches. Off to pastures new at Welton where the toss was won and elected to bat. On a difficult track Alex Wood made a magnificent 172 with only Tatenda getting over 20 to post 259. A couple of early wickets from Sam Giannini put the opposition on the back foot but a series of 20s, 30, and a 40 brought Welton to 221, Giannini finished with 3 for 49 and Wood 3 for 32. Acomb at home would present a challenge, putting Acomb in they were in some trouble before putting 191 on the board, wickets were shared with Giannini 2/44 and Cass 2/64. The reply started badly with both openers gone for 1. There were a lot of false hopes in the chase with Danny Cass top scoring with 25 for Bridge to finish 23 short. Off to Fairburn next, another match with a massive bearing on the title and promotion with three of the top five unable to go up being 2nd XIs to their 1st XI in the YPL1. Fairburn batted first and amassed 300/5 thanks mainly to their overseas player. Wickets were shared with Giannini and Cass two each. Batting was probably as poor as any match this season with Bridge all out for 114 with Tatenda and Cass the only batters in double figures. It turns the promotion race firmly in Fairburn's favour with Sessay also losing.

The 3rd team entertained Woodhouse and at nearly seven an over piled on 279 for 4, Rich Reynolds 106, Geoff Schofield 67 and another half century from youngster Wilf Metcalfe. Woodhouse was all out for 211 with skipper Tuite 3/47 and Rich Armitage 3/44, backed up by another youngster Jake Popplewell 3/35. A visit to Bolton Percy would be a test for the 3s but managed to rack up 231 in the 40 overs, two of the older hands Rich Reynolds 69 and Geoff Schofield 58no led the way with able support from youngsters Wilf Metcalfe and Freddie Isles. Skipper Tuite led the attack with 3 for 17 backed up by Lamb 2 for 23 and Armitage 2 for 41, 10 very valuable points in the title race.

Next off to Hovingham, Bridge winning the toss and fielding Hovingham made life difficult early but eventually succumbed to Rich Armitage's pace and were bowled out for 182; Armitage took a season best 7 for 25. Bridge knocked them off in 30 overs with 68 from Rich Reynolds and 71 from Freddie Isles. Ovington were the next visitors to the Castle and having been put into bat posted 227/8 a formidable total. Dan Tuite had 3/45 and Rollo Storey 3/76, a welcome return to fitness saw Tom Appleton with 2/58. The chase started well with Storey the pick with 80. Wickets fell at regular intervals leaving Rich Armitage needing two off the last ball to win, run out going for the second the match ended in a tie. Entertaining New Earswick at the Castle became a must win to aid promotion and potentially the title. Fielding first they bowled NE out for 132, Tom Appleton 4/37 and knocked them off comfortably in 22 overs with two youngsters Powell 33 and Popplewell 27 supporting a great knock from veteran Geoff Schofield 65 no.

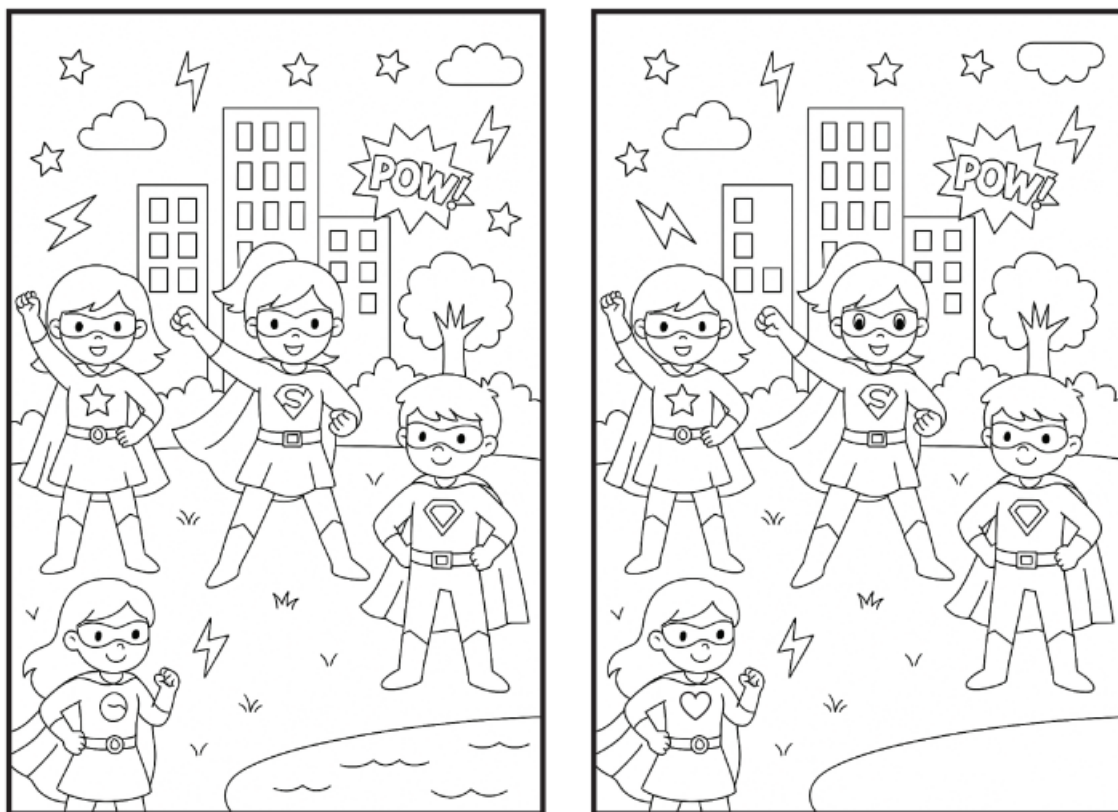
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Cricket Club continued....

The 4s went to Saxton and came off second best losing by 80 runs having been bowled out for 89 chasing 169. With a side full of youngsters George Bell had 2/56 and George Mann 3/38. The more experienced Small had 3/34. Entertaining Rufforth was next with Bridge electing to bat and posting 163 for 8, Sladen top scored with 57 ably supported by one of seven teenagers Zak Powell with 36. The attack struggled taking only two wickets as Rufforth reached the total in 30 overs. The 4s entertained Hovingham and posted a challenging total of 275 thanks mainly to 91 from Alex Bell and 68 from Chris Small. Some of the youngsters contributed with valuable runs. Six youngsters handled the bowling with George Bell taking 3 for 26 as the best return to bowl Hovingham out for 145. The 4s then went to Ovington and were asked to field first the opposition scoring 197/7, again it was the youngsters doing the bowling with George Bell 3/59 and Jai Prasad 2/44. There was no real substance to the chase with Ali Hammond top scoring on 27 Bridge coming up 79 short. A visit to Heslington came next and although posting 210 thanks to 40 from Thomas Murdie and 71 from George Mann lost by 5 wickets in the 38th over, George Bell 4/35.

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	10.30am	Morning Service	Methodist Church			
Mon	10-12pm	Knit & Natter	Methodist Church			
	2-4pm	Bowling Club	Sports Field	5.00pm	Back to Fitness	Village Hall
	6.30-8pm	Bowling Club	Sports Field	6.00pm	Bootcamp	Village Hall
				7.00pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Tues	9.15am	Pilates	Village Hall	7.30pm	Pilates	Village Hall
	12.30pm	Luncheon Club	Village Hall			
	6.30-8pm	Bowling Club	Sports Field			
Wed	9.30am	Yoga	Village Hall			
	10.00am	Drop-in for Coffee	Miss Ward Room			
	10.00am	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club			
	2-4pm	Bowling Club	Sports Field			
Thur	9.45am	Babes & Toddlers	Village Hall			
Fri	6.30-8pm	Bowling Club	Sports Field			

Additional Activities in September

Sat	5 th	2-4.00pm	Jumble Sale in Sheriff Hutton Village Hall, for Dementia Forward
Sun	6 th	2.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Castle, Twelfth Night (pre-book)
Wed	9 th	2.00pm	Ladies Group <i>Life on Mars</i> , in the Methodist Chapel
Thur	10 th	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting, Miss Ward Room, Methodist Church
Fri	11 th	10-12noon	Jigsaw Exchange, Sheriff Hutton Village Hall
Sat	12 th	10-12noon	Nature Group Trip, Scarborough Seawatch with Stuart Baines (pre-book)
Sun	13 th	10.30-1.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Village Market, Village Hall and carpark
Thur	17 th	2.00pm	Film Club, Methodist Church
Wed	16 th	7.30pm	Gardening Club <i>Propagation / Versatility of Agapanthus</i> with Colin Hickman
Fri	18 th	10-12noon	Super Mobile Library, Sheriff Hutton Village Hall
Fri	18 th	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall
Sun	20 th	4.00pm	Sound Bath, St Helen's Festival Church
Wed	23 rd	7.30pm	History Group, Talk by Glennis Whyte, <i>Strange and Ghostly Tales of the Treasurer's House in York</i> . Sheriff Hutton Village Hall
Thur	24 th	9.30am	Village Ramble, meet at Sheriff Hutton Village Hall carpark
Sat	26 th	10-12noon	Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning, Sheriff Hutton Village Hall
Wed	28 th	7.30pm	SH History Group, <i>A Day in the Life of an Archaeologist</i> , with Karen Adams

Dates to Note 2026

Oct	2 nd	10-12pm	Farlington Village Macmillan Coffee Morning, in the Blacksmiths Arms
	4 th	10-2pm	Second Hand Book Sale and Puzzle Swap, Sheriff Hutton Village Hall
	7 th	7.30pm	Nature Group <i>Follow a Swallow from Heslington to South Africa</i> , with Sir John Lawton, Miss Ward Room, Methodist Church
	17 th	7.00pm	St Helens Church, Murder on the Pumpkin Patch
	18 th	9.30-11.30am	Nature Group, <i>Fungal Foray</i> , Strensall Common with Malcom Greaves (pre-booking required)
	18 th	4pm	Sound Bath, St Helen's Festival Church
	23 rd	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall
Nov	7/8 th	11-4pm	NY Winter Open Studios, Justine Warner / Andrew Bloodworth
	20 th	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall
	21 st	11-3pm	Victorian Christmas Market, St Helen's Church

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