

Sheriff Hutton Village News



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Parish Council

The Parish Council met on the 8th January 2026. Councillors present at the meeting were Penny Bean (Chairman), Marcus Oxendale, Sally Wright, Philip Lazenby, Dave Smith, Sam Warriner and Ed Stephenson.

The following new planning applications were received for consideration this month:

ZE25/01076/FUL 1 Woodend Cottages, Ashbank Lane, High Stittenham
Change of use of bed and breakfast with owners' accommodation (use class C1) to dwellinghouse (use class C3). Change of use of the self-catering holiday apartment to granny annex/self-catering holiday apartment.
Decision - No Objection.

ZE25/01282/HOUSE Glebe House, Coble Lane, Sheriff Hutton
Erection of attached oak frame carport to side elevation of dwelling as replacement to orangery structure as approved in application ZE24/09341/HOUSE on 30.01.2025.
Decision - No Objection.

No new planning decisions were received this month.

Parking on Mill Lane Avenue

The Parish Council would like to request that residents in Mill Lane Avenue and their visitors do not park on the pavements and grass verges. Parking on pavements and verges causes issues for people with mobility issues and pushchairs and is also causing damage to the grass verges. The parking enforcement officer will be informed of offending vehicles.

Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Thursday 12th February 2026 in the Miss Ward Room at the Methodist Church at 7.30pm.

Louise Pink, the Parish Clerk, can be contacted regarding all Parish Council matters at sheriffhuttonparishcouncil@gmail.com or on (01904) 861131. 13 White Rose Avenue, New Earswick, York. YO32 4AG.

Pensioners' Luncheon Club

HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

The Luncheon Club has been going for almost 29 years and is as popular as ever with 20 – 24 people enjoying a two-course lunch every Tuesday in winter and once a month in summer.

However, to continue we do some extra volunteers. We have two teams of helpers who cook, serve and wash up on a two weeks on/two weeks off rota. We also transport people from their home to the Village Hall, and back, if needed.

Three of our volunteers are having to 'retire' (in fact they long qualify for sitting down anyway as do most of the others) and ideally, we need five more helpers - male or female. It is a much-valued asset to the village and really enjoyed by our older residents so if you can spare some time to help, we would be very pleased to hear from you, or come down on a Tuesday lunchtime to meet us and see what we do.

Wendy Haste
01347 87858

Jill Johnson

Dick, Andrew and Rebecca Johnson and family would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts, messages

and cards after Jill's recent passing.

They are all greatly appreciated.

Spinning Group dates for 2026

Meeting in the Miss Ward Room Methodist Church from 10.30 to 3.30pm, they are Saturdays:

Feb 14th, Mar 14th, Apr 11th, May 9th, June 13th,

July 11th, Aug 8th, Sept 12th, Oct 10th, Nov 14th, Dec 12th

Mobile Library

The next visit of the new smaller mobile library will be on Friday, February 6th, 10am – 12 noon.

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 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

If you are not a member of our libraries, you can join at the SuperMobile Library. It is FREE!

For enquiries, please call 01609 533878 or email supermobile@northyorks.gov.uk

For more information about library services visit www.northyorks.gov.uk/libraries or download our library App.

Search for: North Yorkshire Libraries in the App Store of Google Play.

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

Sheriff Hutton Bowls Club

Indoor bowls continues through the winter, but attention is already turning to the outdoor season starting in April. The Club also has important fundraising and social dates coming up that members and villagers are encouraged to support.

Fundraising and Jumble Sale:

- On 14th February, Sheriff Hutton Bowls Club will support and benefit from a jumble sale run alongside the Sheriff Hutton Jumblies, with all contributions welcome.
- The Club will also run its usual cafe during the sale, offering refreshments while fundraising for club activities.

Looking ahead to outdoor season:

- The indoor season is ongoing, but longer days mean planning is underway for the outdoor season due to start in April.
- Members are encouraged to keep an eye on notices and future newsletters for exact dates, league details, and preparation sessions.

Bingo evenings:

- Bingo nights will continue at the Village Hall with doors opening at 7.00 pm and eyes down at 7.30 pm.
- Upcoming dates are 20 February, 20 March, and 17 April, offering regular social evenings for members, families, and friends.

Jigsaw Exchange

A BIG thank you to everyone who braved the cold, icy weather to come along to our first exchange of 2026 in January. We had a busy, yet very enjoyable morning, raising £146.50 for the Friends of the Village Hall. Excellent!

February 13th is the date for this month. It is open to everyone, so please feel free to come along to either pick up a jigsaw or three or sit in the warmth with a cuppa and a piece of cake. You will be made very welcome by everyone.

The Jigsaw Exchange dates for the rest of the 2026 are: March 13th, April 3rd (Easter), May 8th, June 12th, July and August Summer break, September 11th, October 9th, November 13th and December 11th.

Village Ramble

This month's ramble on Thursday 26th February will be about 5 miles long around the village of Fulford, York University campus and back along Walmgate Stray to a local pub for lunch. It will be flat terrain and mostly pathways, so comfy shoes will suffice. 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.

St Leonard's, Farlington

In January we started the new year with our Plough Sunday service accompanied by an excellent, warming ploughman's lunch. Now, Spring is very much in the air with snowdrops in the churchyard and the days getting longer.

Services at St Leonard's in February

Sunday	8 th	10.30am	Shortened Matins (BCP) with hymns
Wednesday	18 th	2.00pm	<i>Ash Wednesday service at Sutton on the Forest</i>
Sunday	23 rd	10.30am	Holy Communion (BCP) with hymns

We hope we may see you at one or more of these services.

Restoration of the Bells

The bells restoration project has started. The scaffolding is up, the bells are now at a specialist bells factory in Oxfordshire and work on the stone turret will be starting soon.

During the work taking place to restore our two bells to working order it may be necessary to limit access to the church from time to time. We will endeavour to keep the church open for private prayer or 'quiet time' as much as is possible. The churchyard remains open at all times but please avoid the west (back) end of the church while the work is in progress.

St Mary's Church, Marton in the Forest.

We have 2 services planned for February: a Celtic Communion at 3pm on Sunday 1st February and a Celtic Worship service (no communion) at 3pm on Sunday 15th. The church may be cold, but our welcome is warm!

We currently have a new and temporary feature in our churchyard - a labyrinth! This was designed to provide a free peace/prayer/mindful walk for all visitors, in the area of the churchyard known as 'The Spring Meadow' (to the right of the stone path as you enter through the church gates). This labyrinth was designed and laid out by Peter Clark, a local labyrinth enthusiast. We have used locally-sourced sawdust (with many thanks to D Wilson Timber) to create a simple pathway with three connected loops. As the grass grows up, the labyrinth will gradually disappear. There are leaflets near the church gate and in church if you would like to come and try it for yourself. Everyone welcome.

Spring Fling - a free party for over 70s on Saturday 21st March

Plans are now well underway for our annual party for people aged 70 and over, in Sheriff Hutton Village Hall at 3pm on Sat 21st March. This party comprises a delicious afternoon tea, followed by local entertainment. If you are aged 70+ and live in Sheriff Hutton, Stittenham or Lilling, then you (plus your partner) are warmly invited to attend. We no longer deliver paper invitations, but there will be information about how to RSVP in the March Village News and also on our new 'Sheriff Hutton Spring Fling' Facebook group from 1st March. If you are not well enough to attend on the day, we do provide a 'teas out' service, and we'll also do our best to provide a lift to and from the party if you require this.

We welcome any offers to help with preparing teas or serving food and drinks on the day. It's a good way to meet people if you're new to the village and there's always a happy buzz in the hall. Please contact Anna on 07771 616535 if you'd like to help, even if you can only spare an hour. We always really enjoy these all-age community events and are looking forward to celebrating the party's Diamond Anniversary (60 years of partying) in 2027!

Sheriff Hutton Village Auction

After a lot of deliberation, the UCCC/Sheriff Hutton Village Party group have decided NOT to run an auction in 2026. These auctions were originally held every 2 years, to fund the annual free party for older residents of Sheriff Hutton, Lilling and Stittenham. We started to make the auction annual and raised funds for other local groups and charities. But sadly, this is no longer sustainable. We're a really small committee (5 people) and even with our amazing group of faithful volunteers we're finding it hard to pull this big event together every year. No longer being spring chickens ourselves (!) it's getting harder for a lot of us to lug around heavy items all weekend. We do depend on younger helpers coming forward! So, we're looking at a possible date for 2027 but this is really only going to be possible if we can recruit more willing helpers. Please do get in touch (cjhunt.home@gmail.com) or via our Sheriff Hutton Village Auction Facebook page) if you would like to help - and we'll keep you posted. It's a great all-age community event, with absolutely staggering bargains, so do consider getting involved!

Methodist Church

Services in February at 10.30 am

1st Mr Robin Jackson

8th Mrs Sylvia Bunting

15th Own Arrangements

22nd No service. Joining with our friends at Strensall Methodist Church at 10.30am. All welcome

Other activities

Every Wednesday 9.30am - 10am Prayer and quiet meditation in the chapel.

10am - 11.15am Come along and have a cup of coffee, biscuit and a chat. All welcome. No charge

Film club

Thursday 26th February 1.45pm for 2pm start.

Film stars Mark Rylance and Sally Hawkins. 1 hour 42 minutes. Rated 12A

The heartwarming true story of a shipyard crane operator, Maurice Flitcroft, who, having never played a round of golf in his life, entered the British Open in 1976.

Refreshments available at the start. No charge. Donations welcome.

No Lego cafe in February. Look out for a date in March

Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group

The first meeting of the year was a quiz which was enjoyed by all. Our next meeting is at 2pm on Wednesday 11th February when we will be having a film afternoon this will be held in The Methodist Chapel please note change of venue.

Everyone is very welcome non-members £3

For any further information please contact Anne 07391515299 or Gail 07711079653

Gardening Club

For our February meeting on Wednesday 18th come and see how a plot has been transformed by Martin Walker at his home in Butterwick, job title " A field, a fork and a wheel barrowful of ideas". Usual 7.30pm start in the Village Hall.

It is lovely to see all the spring bulbs emerging, the start of things to come. When snowdrops and aconites fade, they can be split for an even bigger display next year. Daffodils need to be left for the foliage to die back hence feeding the bulbs. Feeding in the garden starts now whichever method is preferred. The bones of the garden are apparent so take stock of necessary work, be it pruning, clearing, moving or just checking ties aren't garrotting instead of supporting. Has your garden had colour throughout the winter, if not, think of introducing just one plant be it evergreen, flowering or even scented. They are available and can make all the difference!

Sheriff Hutton Parents, Toddlers and Babies Group

Come along to our stay and play group on Thursday mornings at Sheriff Hutton Village Hall 9:45-11:45 term time.

We are a welcoming group and it's a lovely, relaxed environment to bring your little ones to meet other families from the village and surrounding areas.

We have a cosy baby area and lots of fun activity areas for preschoolers!

There is also tea, coffee and biscuits for parents to enjoy too!

Join our Facebook page Sheriff Hutton Parents, Toddlers and Babies Group to find out more!

Friends of Sheriff Hutton Village Hall 200 Club

We are off to a great start, many thanks to the 204 members who have signed up for 2026, in support of our Village Hall. This number has enabled us to offer the following prizes as part of the monthly draw:

5 x £25 monthly prizes, in June and December 1 prize each of £50, £100 and £150.

The deadline for Village News is early in December, so it was not possible to announce the winners for that month. Here they are: 216, 119, 46, 63, 155, 166, 199 and 236.

The winners for January 2026 are: 35, 85, 116, 231 and 233.

Many congratulations to all. If you are interested in becoming a member, please get in touch and I'll send you all the details needed in November, the next opportunity to join.

Melanie. Email hm99960@rocketmail.com

Children's Shoes Boxes and IDAS

A quick update after all the monetary donations have come in.

A big thank you to all who supported the Market Café in December. We shared the event with the Toddler group which worked well as we helped each other in finding volunteers and making cakes, great team work.

Having exceeded our target of 100 x Christmas Shoe Boxes for children, the total funds donated were as follows:

- Shoes Boxes to help with carriage costs and buying shoe boxes for 2026, £315
- IDAS, which will go towards recovery groups, children's activities, and emergency expenses £157.50
- Malton and Norton Foodbanks £157.50

A tremendous result and another heartfelt thanks to all who got involved, whether its knitting; donating money and the contents for shoe boxes; helping at the Market Café; rummaging through the Jumble Sale items on the lookout for new / nearly new items for Shoe boxes, and of course the methodist Church for their generous spirit in allowing us to coordinate things from there.

If you wish to help this year, please get in touch.

Melanie (hm99960@rocketmail.com)

Sheriff Hutton Jumblies

To bring you up to date with the last fund-raising events of 2025:

Sales of pre-loved jewelry and handbags at the Christmas Fair and the Jigsaw Exchange Christmas Coffee Morning resulted in us being able to donate £350 to the Parish Church and £350 to Autistic Angels, a very small charity based near Harrogate, run by volunteers, which gives people with Autism the opportunity to enjoy riding.

Our final total for 2025 was £20,262 of which over £2,000 was raised from your generous donations of pre-loved jewelry, handbags and scarves. The total raised since 1986 now stands are £426,390.

When Doreen Lynch, Doreen Langdale, May Barner and I held our first jumble sale, at the Primary School, as part of a campaign to raise money to fund a new classroom we were over the moon to raise about £200. We did not anticipate that in 2026 we would be celebrating our 40th birthday with a team of 20, many of whom have been giving their time for over 30 years.

During that time we have raised money for most of our village organisations as well as local and national charities, all of which benefit our community. We have, by passing on unsold good condition items, also provided support to Carecent in York, the Rainbow Centre in Scarborough and other small organisations to help their fund raising and support for those less well-off people.

Whilst those organisations who we raise money for are expected to collect much of the jumble we sell, we also depend on donations from our village and surrounding area and we would like to express our sincere thanks for all your support and hope you feel able to continue in the future. It goes without saying that it would not be possible to hold our mammoth sales without being able to use the Village Hall which is a wonderful facility and the rent we pay contributes to their annual income.

Our sincere thanks to all those people who have stepped in to help at the sales when needed, usually at short notice, and Paul and Nigel who regularly come to help clear at the end of the sale.

At the time of writing despite our many appeals we are still trying to find someone willing to take away left over bric-a-brac and toys at the end of each sale. If we can't find anyone we will have to resort to employing a clearance company which will cost and reduce our totals raised for charities.

Our next Jumble Sale will be on the **14th February, at 2pm** raising money for the Bowling Club. Donations of good condition clothes, books, toys and bric-a-brac will be very much appreciated and we will be at the Hall from 8.30am on the morning of the sale. Nearer the time we will know if we are able to receive your donations on the Friday night. Please check our Facebook page for details. Please note we are unable to accept any large items of bric-a-brac and everything must be in a useable state.

The following sale will be on the 14th March for our village Primary School.

Penny Bean – on behalf of all the Jumblies – working to convert your cast offs into cash

Telephone 01347 878392

Notices for St. Helen's

Services

Services for February are:

Sunday, 8th February at 10.00 – Holy Communion with Steve

Sunday, 22nd February at 10.00am – Morning Worship with Harold

We had three very successful Christmas events and well over 200 people came to the Christmas Celebration, Carols in the Churchyard and the Christmas Day service. A huge thank you to everyone who helped and supported in any way whether it be the music, singing, baking, poems, reading, running the bar, coming to join in. It all felt very festive, and it was really lovely to see so many people across the three very different occasions.

We look forward to seeing you at any service but if a service is not for you, please do enjoy just visiting the church and having some quiet time; bring your children or grandchildren to have a look around and have a wander. Dogs also welcome! Equally enjoy the lovely and peaceful churchyard. Please make use of anything that the church and its surroundings have to offer.

Sheriff Hutton Nature Group

Our next Talk 4th February

We are looking forward to our new season of evening talks entitled Turtle Doves from North Yorkshire to Senegal to be given by Richard Baines of Yorkshire Coast Nature at the Methodist Church Hall, Sheriff Hutton start time 7.30pm. Turtles Doves are our smallest European dove and are endangered with a 95% decline in numbers in the UK. They travel five and half thousand miles on their annual migration. Come and listen to Richard who is the voluntary Project Officer for the North Yorkshire Turtle Doves project set up to try to improve the fortunes of this beautiful bird, historically a symbol of love. All welcome. £3 for non-members.

Advance reminder of our AGM and talk 4th March

AGM 6.30 pm start (Members only) Here's your chance to actively contribute to our Nature Group's direction and development. We welcome your ideas, feedback, and involvement—come along and have your say. Our AGM papers will be circulated to all members before the meeting.

March 4th talk starting at 8pm Restoring Nature on a Small Holding - Adam Mogg with tea and coffee from 7.35pm after the AGM.

New Year – Learning more about Nature

There are so many opportunities now for learning about nature on-line or via zoom meetings now. This way you can spend time when you have it available. Just a selection at random are listed below. Meetings/training are often available without joining the Organisations.

Group	Website
Bat Conservation Trust	www.bats.org.uk
Biological Recording Company	biologicalrecording@co.uk
Butterfly Conservation Yorkshire	www.yorkshirebutterflies.org.uk
Mammal Society	www.mammal.org.uk
The Wildflower Society	www.thewildflowersociety.org.uk
Yorkshire Rewilding Group	www.yorkshirerewildingnetwork.org.uk

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 Annual Art Exhibition and Sale

Easter Sunday April 5th 2026

Easter Monday April 6th 2026

10.30 - 4.30 pm

Entry £1 children free

Sheriff Hutton Village Hall

York Road, Sheriff Hutton, York

YO60 6RA

Free Parking

For more information contact

Anne Russell 07582043452



Sheriff Hutton Hedgehog Project

Exciting 2026 plans



- ❖ We are continuing in 2026 with collecting local hedgehog records and expanding our member network. So, we are welcoming new sighting records from now for 2026 both if you have reported last year or it is your first record.
- ❖ We are also looking at improving hedgehog highways (routes between properties)
- ❖ We will be launching a new online link for reviewing localy reported hedgehog records on an interactive map.
- ❖ We are planning to link with some other groups to help with sightings in their areas and looking out for hedgehogs.
- ❖ We will be doing more outreach to schools, preschools, libraries etc.
- ❖ We are always looking for new ideas so please get in touch.

Volunteers needed !

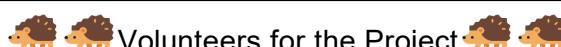
Sheriff Hutton Hedgehog Project Café at Sheriff Hutton Village Market



Sunday, 15th March

Sheriff Hutton Village Hall, 10.30am to 13.30pm

If you can help us with a shift at the café on the day (slots of an hour or more from around 8 am through to 2pm) or with a cake for the café we would be really grateful. There are lots of different tasks with support available. No experience required. It's a great team event and we can talk to customers about hedgehogs at the same time! Many thanks to those who have already come forward. Please get in touch by email if you can help.



Volunteers for the Project



Are you interested in helping us with running the project e.g. helping with collecting, collating records or loaning cameras or our outreach sessions?

We'd love to hear from you so we can do more.

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

Farlington Acoustic Music Session

Wednesday 1 April – 7.30pm -10.30pm (doors open at 7.15pm)

Come and enjoy an evening of acoustic music played by local musicians in Farlington's intimate and cosy village hall. Admission is £10 by advance ticket only, which includes a drink. Previous music evenings have been very enjoyable and have sold out so please book early as tickets are very limited. Contact secretary@farlington.org.uk.

Sheriff Hutton Village Market

We need help! Can you help with admin or Facebook?

The market has had a great year and we are always trying to build on our success to grow this community event that raises money for local groups and provides a space for local artisan businesses to shine. We would love more people to be part of it. We have had a great influx of new volunteers on market days this year. This has been brilliant and we are always keen to have new people involved.

However, there is a considerable amount of work involved in organising the market behind the scenes. Our market is actually run by a surprisingly small team, and a few long-standing members stood down at the end of last year having made a significant contribution over previous years. **So, we are very short of volunteers to keep the market moving forward and to continue the market we do need more help.** If you think you could potentially help with regular admin as part of a friendly team, or you would like to help with Facebook posts on our stallholders prior to each market, or anything else, we'd love to hear from you. Get in touch at mail@shvm.co.uk

The Market AGM meeting is on 12th February at the Village Hall at 7pm. We would always welcome new committee members who are able to undertake a role for the market. If you are potentially interested, why not come along. We'd love to see you there.

A reminder that we start our 2026 markets on **Sunday 15th March, 10:30am - 1:30pm.**

Sheriff Hutton Village Market continued

The remaining dates are: 19th April, 17th May, 14th June, 19th July, 16th August, 13th September, 18th October, 15th November and 13th December - look out for the yellow leaflets in the Village Shop and at the next market for a reminder!

Open Art Studios

We have another art-filled year ahead in the village with the inclusion of the Open Art Studio weekends.

York Open Studios

Friday 17th April- Preview Evening 6-9pm
18th, 19th and 25th, 26th April 10-5pm

This year it will only be Justine Warner taking part. Justine will have a wide range of textiles and mixed media work for you to see from originals, cards and prints. She has been venturing into the world of painting recently so come along and see some new work in the making. Her studio can be found at Laburnum Cottage, West End.

North Yorkshire Open Studios

Friday 5th June- Preview Evening 6-9pm
6th, 7th and 13th, 14th June 10-5pm

Andrew Bloodworth and Justine Warner can both be found a few doors away from each other on West End. This will be Andrews second year in open studios. A painter and printmaker, he has a range of new work for you all to see. His most recent venture being in original linocuts prints which have proved very popular.

In addition to the work at North Yorkshire Open Studios artist venues, many of the artists will be taking part in two additional exhibitions. A great way to see a wide range of North Yorkshire artists under one roof:
Danby Visitor Centre, Inspired by.....Gallery: 14th February- 10th May 2026
Ampleforth Abbey: 11th-19th June 2026 10-5pm (closes at 3pm on the last day)

If you can't make these, both Open Studio events have their own websites with other artists both in Terrington and Strensall and further afield.

As you will notice, the number of artists taking part in Sheriff Hutton this year is much smaller. Patrick Smith and Steve Page have decided to take a year out of the events to build on their body of work, focus on current ventures and work through new practices. I'm sure we can all look forward to seeing them at the end of that journey and potentially back again in 2027.

A warm welcome awaits.

Sheriff Hutton History Group

The start of our 2026 season of events will see us welcome Malcolm Brooks once again. On February 25th at 2pm in the Village Hall, Malcolm will talk to us about the Fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. The post-war division of Germany caused many problems for the East German authorities and the fall of the wall in Berlin has to be viewed in connection with the development of the whole inner German border. Malcolm lived in Germany during this period and has travelled extensively along the length of the borders both before and after reunification. This promises to be an enlightening talk about a subject which most of us have heard of, but do not know much about its full story.

In Memoriam

We have all been deeply shocked and saddened at the sudden and unexpected death of our friend and colleague, Jill Johnson. Jill's contribution to the History Group was of longstanding and highly valued and we will all greatly miss her unfailing kindness and constant support.

Upcoming

On March 25th at 7.30pm we will again welcome Tony Morgan who will talk to us about York in the time of James 1, exploring such topics as plague, politics and a severe frost as well as a royal visit to Sheriff Hutton.

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

For further information contact Meg on 07732 008557 or Linda at linda@turner.stargate.co.uk or Peter Brown at peterbrown222.brown@btinternet.com

Friends of St. Monica's Hospital (FOSMH) in Easingwold

The Friends are seeking applications for a new **Chair of Trustees**.

FOSMH has an active group of Trustees and leadership, strategic, financial planning and communication skills are required of the Chair. He/She will publicly represent the charity and manage partnerships with community and stakeholder groups.

FOSMH supports patients and staff at St Monica's Hospital, Easingwold, part of the NHS, alongside providing grants to improve the health and well-being of people living locally.

A copy of the Chair of Trustees' Role Description and the responsibilities of all Trustees is available on our website: www.fosmh.org.uk.

Applications should include a short CV and a covering letter detailing your reasons for applying and submitted to friends@fosmh.org.uk by 31st January 2026. Interviews are anticipated to be held in late February 2026 and commencement of the role from 21st May 2026.

If you would like an informal discussion about the role, please call our current Chair, David Kenworthy, on 07710 439771

Sheriff Hutton Bridge Cricket Club

There was a good festive air around the club on the Friday before Christmas when ground staff and other backroom volunteers met for mince pies and something warm. We can't do without them and can always use more help either at the Castle ground and/or at the Bridge.

The news that after Mark Wood was injured our own Matty Fisher was called into the Ashes Test squad in Australia gave hope that he would play. Unfortunately, he wasn't included for either of the last two tests but is clearly back on the international radar. Wills Bennison had a low-key tour with England u19s in the West Indies but has been included in the squad to compete in the U19 world cup in Zimbabwe and Namibia with the first game against Pakistan.

A few juniors had a good Christmas in being selected for North Yorkshire at various age groups. Nick Armitage, Fraser Small and Albert Lumb were selected for the 10-12 Regional squad while Otto Bowles, Zac Powel, Harry Goodwill and Riley Hirst are in the 13-15 group. They will all go through winter training until the beginning of the season.

Outside of Sheriff Hutton the ECB continue in their pursuit of "Inclusiveness" in the game with women's/girls' cricket growing at a fast pace. There was an African Caribbean Festival at Lords welcoming over 300 people and a celebration of East Asian Heritage month at Old Trafford. The recreational game continues to expand at a pace in double digit % growth.

The ECB would love to profile anything big or small that clubs are doing to embody cricket's values.

Run on Respect

Embrace enjoyment

Build belonging

Progress with purpose

You can access the lengthy document "Raising the game bulletin" at info@ecb-comms.co.uk

Junior training started at Easingwold Galtres Centre on January 9th (7.15pm Fridays) with Senior nets at St Peters on Sunday 25th January 2026 at 6.30pm. The juniors were overwhelmed with players at the first session which bodes well for the season. All the junior sides are looking strong with the 13s and 15s in particular with loads of senior cricket experience. Hopefully neither the Seniors or Juniors will make England's mistake and go into the season "undercooked"

At this stage of the year the ground at The Bridge is looking in good shape but with the amount of rain that we have had means it's a bit early to get onto the Castle. When we get a bit of drier weather the Castle ground will be in the great shape as it was last season.

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	10.30am	Morning Service	Methodist Church		
Mon			5.00pm	Back to Fitness	Village Hall
			6.00pm	Bootcamp	Village Hall
			7.00pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Tues	9.15am	Pilates	Village Hall	7.00pm	Circuit Training
	10.30am	Pilates	Village Hall	8.00pm	Pilates
	12.30pm	Luncheon Club	Village Hall		
Wed	9.30am	Yoga	Village Hall		
	10.00am	Drop-in for Coffee	Miss Ward Room		
	10.00am	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club		
Thurs	9.45am	Babes & Toddlers	Village Hall		

Additional Activities in February

Wed	4 th	7.30pm	Nature Group at the Miss Ward Room at the Methodist Church – <i>Turtle Doves from North Yorkshire to Senegal</i> by Richard Baines of Yorkshire Coast Nature
Fri	6 th	10 -12 noon	Super Mobile Library in the Village Hall car park
Wed	11 th	2.00pm	Ladies Group film afternoon in the Miss ward Room Methodist Church
Thurs	12 th	7.00pm	Market Annual General meeting in the Village Hall
		7.30pm	Parish Council meeting in the Miss Ward Room Methodist Church
Fri	13 th	10 -12 noon	Jigsaw Exchange in the Village Hall
Sat	14 th	10.30-3.30pm	Spinning Group meets in the Miss Ward Room Methodist Church
		2.00pm	Jumble Sale in aid of the Bowls Club in the Village Hall
Wed	18 th	7.30pm	Gardening Club in the Village Hall
Fri	20 th	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall
Wed	25 th	2.00pm	History Group in the Village Hall – Malcolm Rooks <i>The Rise and Fall of the Berlin Wall</i>
Thurs	26 th	9.30am	Village Ramble meet in the Village Hall car park
		1.45pm	Film Club in the Miss Ward Room

Dates to Note 2026

Mar	4 th	6.30pm	Nature Group AGM. Members talk from 8.00pm <i>Restoring Nature on a Small Holding</i>
	14 th	2.00pm	Jumble sale in the Village Hall
	15 th	10.30am	Village Market at the Village Hall
	20 th	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall
	21 st	3.00pm	Over 70's Spring Fling in the Village Hall
	25 th	7.30pm	History Group in the Village Hall <i>York in the time of James 1st</i>
Apl	1 st	7.15pm	Acoustic Music Session in Farlington Village Hall
	5,6 th	10.30-4.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Art Group Exhibition in the Village Hall
	11 th	2.00pm	Jumble sale in the Village Hall
	17 th	6-9pm	Open Studios preview at Laburnum Cottage
		7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall
	18,19 th	10-5pm	Open Studios at Laburnum Cottage
	19 th	10.30am	Village Market at the Village Hall
	25,26 th	10-5pm	Open studios at Laburnum Cottage
May	16 th	2.00pm	Jumble sale in the Village Hall
Jun	5 th	6-9pm	Open Studios preview evening
	6,7 th	10-5pm	Open Studios in the Village
	13,14 th	10-5pm	Open Studios in the Village
	13 th	2.00pm	Jumble Sale in the Village Hall
Aug	8 th		Sheriff Hutton Village Show in the Village Hall

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