

West Ashby Parish Council News

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Midsummer Get Together



The PC would like to invite all parishioners for a get together on **Saturday 21 June from 4pm-ish to whenever**. Please do come even if you can only make a bit of it.

So we can have a BBQ, enjoy some good weather and great views of the Wolds on the longest night of the year Rob & Carl Atkin-House have agreed to host in their garden at Chapel View, Main Street. Elvis the caravan will be available as a bar with awning (if we can figure out how to erect this!), and we will also have a gazebo lest the Midsummer Gods do not bless us with sunshine. A fire pit will provide some warmth later in the evening.

The PC will put on a BBQ (meat and separate veggie one) where you can buy a burger or hot dog

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or veggie equivalent. Any donations of salads / puddings / cakes will always be gratefully received.

Bring your own preferred beverage but we will also be selling Aperol Spritz and some beer and wine to get in the summer mood (bring cash). Also, bring a garden chair if you can although we will have some.

Music and merriment are the order of the day, it would be great to see some new faces, we are aware a few people have joined us in the Parish lately and it would be good to get to know our new villagers.

Any money raised will go into the Parish Council coffers.

If you need to drive, please park in the yard - enter via Ivy House Farm where summer elves (boy children) will direct you.

Parish Councillors

Following the resignation of Jonathan Bunster the Council elected Carl Graves as Chairman at our last meeting with Rob Atkin-House as Vice Chair.

Two vacancies remain on the Parish Council. If you wish to consider joining the PC then have a chat with one of the Councillors.

West Ashby Orchard



We are applying for grants, begging for money from our District Councillor and raising money all

to provide a notice board at the Orchard which will set out what's what, and whether it needs to be eaten or cooked. We are on with this and hope to have news on it soon.

All the new trees have taken and the Councillors have been watering when needed to keep the young trees healthy. If you are up there and notice the trees needs watering, there is a tank and watering cans behind the pergola – feel free. Watch your step as some of the rabbit holes are quite deep.

Cemetery

We are looking to buy a bench for the pergola in the cemetery and give the pergola a lick of paint to protect it from next winter.

To assist in maintenance and keep things looking good in the cemetery we are also in the process of drafting some regulations and guidelines which we will publish once adopted. Matt is doing a wonderful job of mowing and keeping the cemetery looking great.

Litter Pick

The last litter pick went well; we will schedule a new one once the grass has been cut by highways.

A big thank you to Neil Hunter who is often out and about litter picking. We are hugely grateful to all those villagers who do their bit as they walk and keep our village looking lovely.

On the subject of thanks Janice Morris is doing a wonderful job on our phone box library which is hugely appreciated by many in the village. Any donations, please speak to Janice first, please don't leave boxes of old books in the phone box.

West Ashby Arms & Quizzes



Is for sale, so if anyone has a dream of being a publican, or knows of anyone who does, let them know so we don't lose it, it would be wonderful to have a great local pub in the village. If any new publican would also like to revert it to the much better name of The Green Dragon then even better.

The next Quiz for the Church is on **Sunday 8 June, 6:30pm** start, teams of 5-ish, £3 each., hosted by Nikki and Jonny. July's will be on Sunday 13th hosted by John Elliot. If the pub is closed, Village Hall!

Other happenings

Motorbikes at the Manor

West Ashby Manor – classic motorbikes on 29th June

Logs

Village syndicate for log buying – if interested then please ask Rob (Chapel View 07 384 555 207).

Recycling

The Church can recycle printer cartridges, crisp packets, blister packs, stamps, milk bottle lids – all in the porch.

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