

NAFFERTON, SKERNE & WANSFORD NEWSLETTER

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This newsletter is produced bi-monthly. The deadline for the next edition is 15 November 2025. Please send all articles to 'newsletter@nafferton.net'

FROM THE EDITOR

The newsletter has expanded its range to include Skerne. As such, the issue number has restarted again at 1 and we welcome our new readers.

NAFFERTON NEWS

NAFFERTON PARISH COUNCIL

 New Councillor - We're very pleased to welcome Cathy Milan back to the Parish Council. Cathy has spent many years serving our community, and we're delighted she's chosen to re-join us. Following a secret ballot, she was officially co-opted onto the Council. There are now 13 Parish Councillors – you can see the full list on our website: www.nafferton.net

 Jubilee Playground Fence Replacement - The fence at the back of Eastlands (by the playground) will shortly be replaced. Please help us keep the playground tidy and safe by encouraging children to use the bins provided.

 Willow Tree & Mere Maintenance - At the end of October, work will take place on the willow tree on Mere Island:

- The broken bough will be removed (and kept as habitat piles on the island).
- The crown will be lifted 2–3 metres above the waterline.

 In addition, the mere levels will be lowered to allow neighbouring households to carry out any required maintenance. Neighbouring properties will be notified of the exact date two weeks in advance.

 Community Grants – Reminder - Local organisations requesting financial support from the Parish Council should submit applications as soon as possible (prior to the November budget meeting) for the 2025/26 financial year. For questions or support with the process please email: clerk@naffertonpc.org.uk.

Humberside Police – Operation Snap



Did you know you can submit video evidence of driving offences that you or members of the public have witnessed? Operation Snap is a secure online platform, and its purpose is to improve road safety and to prosecute those that place others at risk.

What can you report? - Op Snap is for traffic offences only. It is not for submitting footage of road traffic collisions or any other offences. The offences we can investigate through Op Snap include:

- dangerous driving
- driving without due care and attention
- careless driving
- using a mobile phone handheld whilst driving
- not wearing a seat belt
- ignoring a red traffic light
- disregarding solid white lines
- close passes of cyclists
- zigzag lines (outside school)
- zigzag lines (pedestrian crossing)

Operation Snap has one desired outcome: **making our roads safer.**

HANDBELL RINGERS OF NAFFERTON

We are welcoming new ringers. If you are interested in learning how to play cheerful music; music you know and love from popular musicals and shows, give me a call or message Steve Southcoat on 07717 415 876. We will teach you all you need to know. We meet on Monday afternoons 13:30 until 15:00. The Handbell Ringers of Nafferton are sponsored by Feoffees Charity Trust, the Nafferton Parish Council and Nafferton Methodist Chapel.

NAFFERTON VILLAGE HALL

The steps at the front of the hall have been improved to make access easier to the hall, we are just waiting for the railings to be made to complete the work.

The Pickled Bluebells - Nafferton's own band will perform on Saturday 25th October at Nafferton Village Hall, doors open 7:30 for an 8pm start. Tickets £10 are available from 07850 774 405 or 07523 976 826 and we will be setting up tables for the audience. Bring your own food and drink. All money raised for Nafferton Village Hall funds.

New Years Eve Dance - Music by Beverley FM DJ Dave Harper. 7:30 for an 8pm start. £12 a ticket Tables available. Bring your own food and drink. Tickets from 07850 774 405 or 07523 976 826. Come and see the New Year in with friends....

NAFFERTON METHODIST CHURCH

Our Minister is Rev Peter Barnett and our Sunday Worship is at 10:30am:

- Sunday 5th October Rev Stephen Haward
- Sunday 12th October Rev Peter Barnett sharing Holy Communion
- Sunday 19th October Mr Peter Brown
- Sunday 26th October Ms Hazel Adamson
- Sunday 2nd November Rev Stephen Haward
- Sunday 9th November 10am Rev Colin Barrett followed by a service at the village War Memorial at 10:45am
- Sunday 16th November Rev Peter Barnett sharing Holy Communion
- Sunday 23rd November Miss Margaret Collinson
- Sunday 30th November Mr Stephen Byass

Christmas Craft Fair- Saturday 22nd November 10-3pm in Nafferton Methodist Church and rooms. Various crafts and stalls including jewellery, artwork, books, cards, jams, etc.

Refreshments will include bacon butties, egg butties, cake slices and cream scones, gluten free bread and cakes. All money raised for Nafferton Methodist Church funds.

at NAFFERTON METHODIST CHURCH
on Saturday **29 November**, 10am to 12.30
for Primary **Key Stage 2** children and their families,
accompanied by an adult.
Join us for a fun morning of craft, songs and stories followed
by lunch! There is no charge, but pre-registration is essential.
To book your places, please contact **Sarah** on 07523 976 826.

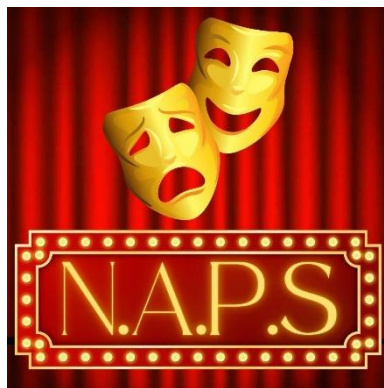


Mustard Seed Café is run by a group of volunteers and is open every Monday morning from 10:00am to 11:30am in the Methodist schoolroom. It is a great place to drop in for a cuppa and a snack and to meet up with friends or make new friends in a relaxed and welcoming environment

Nafferton Craft and Social club meet every Wednesday afternoon in the Methodist Schoolroom from 1:30pm to 4pm. Everyone is welcome to join us from Nafferton and the surrounding area. Bring along any craft activity you enjoy or just bring yourself to have a relaxing afternoon in the company of others. £2 per session, tea and coffee provided.

Please contact Penny Renn on 07759 487 646 for further details

NAFFERTON AMATEUR PRODUCTION SOCIETY (NAPS)



We are deep in the throes of rehearsals for our very first fun packed family production of Robinson Crusoe. The pantomime will be showing at Nafferton Methodist Chapel on:

- 31st December 2025 at 2:30pm
- 1st January 2026 at 7:30pm
- 2nd January 2026 at 2:30pm

Tickets will be available from October, and details will be advertised or you can follow our Facebook page for details it's going to be lots of fun! Oh yes, it is!!!

We would like to thank everyone who supported us and in particular:

- Dewhirst trust
- Nafferton Parish Council
- Feoffees Fund
- Horace Taylor
- Lissett Wind Farm
- Dogger Bank Wind Farm
- Primepak Foods

We look forward to seeing you all! It promises to be an amazingly great panto!

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Sundays - services as usual starting at 9.15 for an hour or so, with Holy Communion and Traditional Morning Praise on alternate Sundays.

Baptism 26th October at 10.30 after the regular Sunday Service Baby Josephine Burniston, with the service being led by Archdeacon Andy Brown.

Remembrance Day Tuesday 11th November – starting at 10.45, at the church, then moving to the village War Memorial at 11.00 for the customary acknowledgement of the debt owed to so many who died and suffered for us. After that Ross Holmes will lay wreaths on the war graves in the cemetery. Refreshments will be available in the church which all are invited to attend – with an opportunity to share thoughts and memories.

Prayers The joint Methodist-All Saints prayer group continues to meet at All Saints each Monday at 6.45 pm (except for Bank Holidays) for about three quarters of an hour. Anyone can come along and join in – or if you are unable to attend in person, we are more than happy to offer prayers on your behalf. There is also a prayer requests box at the back of the church if anyone wishes to leave a note of what they would like us to include in the prayers.

Bible Study & Discussion Another joint Methodist -All Saints activity, meets at 7.00pm on Thursdays for a little over an hour at the Methodist Church – all welcome irrespective of whether you belong to either, or indeed any, church.

The current short series is focusing on the first few chapters of the Book of Revelations.

Other News Rev Ian Holdsworth has been forced to resign from his position leading many services in our and other churches in the beneficiary, because of health and mobility problems. He has helped enormously in the past few years in strengthening our congregation both in terms of number attending and developing congregation members to take on various leadership roles. We will miss his friendly, patient guidance greatly. Services will continue as previously, and any changes shown on the notice board outside the church.

Do you hate it when officialdom assumes that you have a top-class printer for your computer? All Saints has been fortunate in receiving a grant for IT equipment which includes a laptop and printer. We wish to make use of this equipment to benefit the community and are offering anybody who needs to print out large forms such as an Attendance Allowance form or Lasting Power of Attorney form, the opportunity for us to print out such documents for you – private and confidential of course. Please contact Patricia Harrison, The Secretary, Nafferton All Saints Church – Tel 07979 621 430, if you need this service.

Enquiries about baptisms, weddings, funerals – and just about anything else to do with the church – to Barbara Fairfield in the first instance (Tel: 07538 270 335 or barbsbri@yahoo.co.uk) – or better still come along to one of the services and have a chat afterwards about what you need

NAFFERTON IN BLOOM

Nafferton in Bloom is a dedicated community initiative that brings vibrant colour and natural beauty to our village by tending to flowers and plants in public spaces. Thanks to the care and enthusiasm of the Nafferton in Bloom team, our public areas burst with blossoms and greenery, making every stroll through the village a pleasure. The group is always looking for new volunteers and fresh ideas—if you love gardening or simply enjoy seeing flowers flourish in our community, we invite you to get involved and help keep Nafferton blooming. You can contact either Ann Ingle, Ann.ingle@live.co.uk or Pete Robb, therobbs7@gmail.com for more information.

Nafferton In bloom Competition - Many thanks to all those who entered this year's Nafferton in Bloom competition. As ever the standard was high, and the decision was difficult to make.

The winner of the Feoffees Trophy for front of house is

- 1st Hilary Slack
- 2nd Peter Holwood
- 3rd Bethany Harrison

The winner for the most colourful front garden:

- 1st Mr and Mrs Raines
- 2nd Gareth and Tina Shelton
- 3rd Malcolm Harrison

Poppies appeal - Many thanks to all of you dedicated knitters and crocheters who have provided so many poppies for our remembrance displays in the village. Look out for the displays later in the year and be proud of all your efforts!

NAFFERTON SCOUTS

Nafferton Scouts are hosting a family friendly Halloween party and disco on Thursday 30th October at the Clubhouse - £2 per young person and prizes for the best dressed! Refreshments will be available and lots of games to play. Parents are free and must please stay with their children. All ages are welcome!

We are also hosting a Christmas Afternoon Tea on Saturday 20th December. Tickets are £8 each and seatings are 2pm - 4pm. Please ring Sheenagh on 07961 944331 for tickets and details, or visit us at the Clubhouse on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, or email naffertonscouts@gmail.com

UNDER 5'S

Welcome - As we start our first new term back at Nafferton Under Fives we would like to welcome all our returning children and our new starters and their families. We are hoping to have a busy Autumnal few weeks planned ahead for this term.

Summer Holidays - It has been great hearing about what the children have been busy doing over the summer holidays and if any families would like to

send us over any photos of their summer activities we'd love to have them for our Family board. Over the summer we held our Stay & Play sessions for our new starters, they were lovely sessions and a nice opportunity to meet our new children before returning for the new term.

Quiz Night - Over this Autumn term our Fundraising committee have a Quiz night at the Blue Bell on Friday 21st November, please keep a look out for how to book a table for teams nearer the time or contact us on enquiry@naffertonunderfives.org.uk. We look forward to seeing you all then.

Elf Hunt - We also have our 2nd Elf Hunt around the village on Sunday 7th December starting at the Village Hall. Last year's hunt was a lovely day and a really successful event so please save the date for this year's hunt.

NAFFERTON RECREATION CLUB NEWS

We hope everyone has enjoyed a lovely summer! As the evenings draw in, we've got plenty of events lined up to keep the community spirit going.

Bingo Night – Friday 26th September - Join us for our next Bingo evening! Now that the darker nights are here, Bingo will be a regular monthly event – keep an eye on our social media and the Village notice board for updates. £5 a book.

Annual Low-Noise Fireworks – Friday 31st October - A family-friendly display for everyone to enjoy. Tickets £5 each.

Christmas Party Night – Friday 12th December - Celebrate the festive season with us! Tickets are £20 per person, which includes a hot meal and live music from a great band – perfect for dancing the night away!

Wine Tasting Evening – Date to be confirmed - More details coming soon – another great evening not to be missed.

For tickets or further information on any of our events or hall bookings, please contact Caroline at events@naffertonrecreationclub.org.uk or through our Facebook page.

DRIFFIELD SILVER BAND

The Driffield Silver Band rehearse at Nafferton Village Hall every Friday evening between 19:45 and 21:45. If you would like to listen to the band rehearsing, you will be most welcome, seats are provided at the front of the hall for anyone wishing to 'drop-in' for a listen.

Driffield Silver Band Upcoming Autumn/Winter Events:

Saturday 18 th October, 7pm	Parkway Cinema, Beverley	Driffield Silver Band retells the story of 'The Great Gatsby'
Saturday 6 th December, 2pm	Driffield Methodist Church	A Christmas Concert for All
Saturday 13 th December, 5pm	Hornsea Floral Hall	Christmas Concert (Theme to be announced)
Monday 15 th December, 7pm	Bridlington Spa	Bridlington Lion's Charity Christmas Concert
Saturday 20 th December, 2pm	Church of Ascension, Hull	A Festive Themed Concert with a Driffield Silver Band twist.

The band currently have a vacancy for a tenor trombone player. If you are interested in this position, please contact the band either via their website or by messaging their Facebook page.

For any further information about the band or any queries regarding booking the band, please take a look at our website and/or Facebook and Instagram.

The Driffield and East Riding Community Band - The Driffield and East Riding Community Band (previously branded 'The East Riding Youth Brass Band') rehearses at Nafferton Village Hall every Friday evening from 18.00-19.15.

The band features players of mixed ages and varying abilities ranging from established players to complete beginners. Musical tuition is provided free of charge and instruments are provided on a free loan basis to all brass and percussion players. To find out more about joining the band, please contact musical director Graeme Appleton on 07747 122 098 or band secretary Margaret Buckton on 07970 632 638.

The band are currently looking for opportunities to expand their concert diary. If you have an upcoming event and would like the community band to perform, please contact either Graeme or Margaret on the mobile numbers above who will be happy to discuss these opportunities with you.

DRIFFIELD MALE VOICE CHOIR

The choir is back at practice after their summer break. The next performance is a joint concert with Beverley MVC on 4th October.

Saturday 4th October - “Brothers In Song”. Joint concert with Beverley MVC. All Saints Church, Driffield 7pm - doors open 6.30pm. Tickets now available

Friday 17th October - Choir Supporting the Community. Woodlands care home Driffield 2pm

Friday 7th November - Choir Supporting the Community. Claremont House care home Beverley 2pm

Saturday 15th November - DMVC Fund Raising Concert. Methodist Chapel Driffield 7pm

For further information about booking, tickets or joining the choir, please call Chris Lane on: 07879 461 682

NAFFERTON WI

Summer outing - We do not traditionally meet in August, probably harking back to the days when a lot of members would be involved in farming and harvest time. But that does not mean that our members have not busy, because they have. Our outings and speaker secretaries Trish and Janette organised a lovely outing to Scampston Hall which is not too far from Nafferton. They had arranged for us to have a refreshing light lunch before members headed out around the magnificent contemporary walled gardens recently designed by Dutch designer Piet Oudolf and the parklands by Capability Brown. The weather was perfect and allowed us to enjoy the relaxed, peaceful atmosphere. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves so much so they would love to go back when the actual hall is open.

WI Campaign involvement - At the moment, some of our members are busy making Toiletry Bags as part of the WI Campaign “Dental Health Matters”.

We will be able to fill these bags with oral hygiene products e.g. toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss etc. These will be donated to the Drifffield Food Bank to give out. We have until November to make as many as possible and if anyone would like the pattern to make them or donate any dental products, please contact us either on Facebook or email us on: naffertonwi@ eastyorkshirewi.org.uk If easier, just pop into one of our meetings with your donation. Look forward to seeing you.

Hull Women's and Children Bereavement Team - Congratulations to our members and the Wednesday Craft Club who knitted 31 gowns for this charity for babies born sleeping or children who sadly do not leave hospital. Ladies all your work was greatly appreciated.

White Ribbon Campaign - Committee members found the time to make 500 White Ribbon Brooches for the White Ribbon Campaign (To end men's violence against women, once and for all) Great work ladies.

New school starters - September saw the children going back to school and with that many pupils attending for the first time. We were delighted to be involved in the All-Saints Church Tissue and Tears morning. Members made cakes, served refreshments and chatted to parents many of whom were sending children off to school for the very first time. It is great to be involved with the community we live in. Thank you.

Mystery, intrigue - 6th September saw us hosting a Come Sleuthing evening in the village hall. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets and supported us. It was a fabulous evening, and it was amazing how everyone interprets the clues differently. Great fun at the end hearing all the varied solutions to the crime.

Meetings - We have a varied programme planned for the rest of the year, something for everyone including some outings. Plus, we are busy planning the 2025/26 programme leading up to our 100 years celebrations. Visitors and new members are always welcome. Why not pop in and see us every second Wednesday in the month, 7pm Nafferton Village Hall. First visit is free.

Nafferton WI Pensioners Tea Party - The ladies of the Nafferton WI are holding their annual Pensioners Tea Party, Any resident living in Nafferton or

Wansford over the age of 65 years old is welcome to come along to the Village Hall on Saturday 18th October 2025 2.30pm (doors open at 2.15pm) for an afternoon of fun and enjoyment. Entertainment provided. There is no charge but there will be a raffle. Just fill in the form at the end of this newsletter and return it to the Post Office or any committee member by the Sunday 12th October 2025. We look forward to seeing you there.

Pat Ablett – Nafferton WI President

SKERNE AND WANSFORD NEWS

ST MARY'S CHURCH, WANSFORD

Thanks - Once again thanks go to all the people who are supporting St Mary's in so many ways – the gift of a disabled ramp, organising or attending fundraising, donating money and giving time to clean the church.

Lychgate gates - Many will have noticed that the gates to the lychgate, which are substantially rotten, have been removed. This is to enable a York Diocese church architect to ascertain how much of the original woodwork can be salvaged in a repair. Originally, the parochial church council hoped to replace the gates with exact replicas but permission to do so was denied by the York Diocese Advisory Committee (DAC), as the DAC, which believed that the gates' design was very rare in the UK, felt that they could be repaired. An exact estimate of the repair cost was not available when the newsletter went to press as the architect's inspection report was still awaited. However, the Lissett Wind Farm Community Fund has supported the project with a direct donation of £3,332, which is expected to go a long way toward the cost of the gates' refurbishment.

Guttering - Handyman Ian Lamble (of ICL Bossman Services) has given the St Mary's gutters a long overdue clean out as well as painting the guttering, downpipes and eaves of St Mary's. Without all of your support essential maintenance work such as this would not have been possible.

Afternoon tea success – A well-attended garden party at Wansford Manor raised £1,615 for church funds. Thanks go to Soshana and Darren McKnight Hill for all their hard work in organising this very enjoyable event and successfully ordering perfect weather.

Coffee morning - The final figure raised at the coffee morning in July organised by Shirley Botterill was £450; thanks go to Shirley and all those who helped her in any way.

Services - Details of services at St Mary's and throughout the two benefices can be accessed at www.achurchnearyou.com.

QUIZ NIGHTS AT THE TROUT

The next charity quiz night - This takes place on November 4 starting at 6.30pm. Tickets are £5 per person with a maximum table of four; entry price includes supper kindly provided by the Trout. The quiz is in aid of Scarborough and Ryedale Mountain Rescue; the volunteer-led organisation attended 71 incidents on the North Yorkshire Moors and Yorkshire Wolds in 2024.

The Christmas quiz night - will take place on Tuesday December 16 at 6.30pm prompt and will be in aid of Wansford's St Mary's Church. The cost per ticket will be £6 per person with supper once again given by the Trout Inn. At both events there will be a raffle, and attendees are asked to arrive armed with cash.

Charity quiz nights - organised by Tink Rush and friends, are held regularly at the Trout. They are fun nights – not part of a league, and always for charity with around 60 worthwhile organisations already in the suggestion box to be selected from in 2026. Tickets are available from the Trout but, as all events are a sell-out, early booking is advisable.

WANSFORD VILLAGE HALL

Gatherings - Various events, both public and private, take place at Wansford Village Hall throughout the year. It hosts a weekly coffee morning each Wednesday from 10-11am with an entry price of £1, which includes a drink and light refreshments; all welcome.

Craft Sessions - On Monday afternoons from 1.30-3pm there is a craft session - Crafty Fingers - which costs £1 (cup of tea/coffee included). All are welcome to knit and natter or to work on a more ambitious project. Groups meet at the hall regularly. These include the county-wide organisation the Makara Morris Men, a ukulele group which draws people in from the Driffield area, and the Skerne and Wansford Parish Council.

The well-equipped venue is available for hire at £5 per hour, by contacting bookings secretary Shirley Botterill on 01377 254403.

OIL CO-OPERATIVE

Skerne and Wansford parish is served by the Humber and Wolds Rural Community Council (HWRCC) bulk-buying oil co-operative; the minimum order is 500 litres and the HWRCC negotiates the best oil price from a range of suppliers. In August the price achieved was 47.27 per litre against the non-member price of 55.71p making a saving of £44.32 (inc VAT) on 500 litres. Membership costs £20 per year. For membership details contact oil@hwrcc.org.uk or call 07918 147 006/01652 638 814. The Skerne and Wansford contact is Billy Waites, of Skerne, whose email is william.waites08@gmail.com

SKERNE & WANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Parish council grants - Would-be applicants are reminded that grants applications to the Skerne & Wansford Parish Council **must** be made no later than Friday 31st October in time for the budget meeting in November. For more details contact the clerk Sue Tait by e-mailing clerk@skerneandwansfordpc.co.uk

Future meetings - The next meeting of the parish council will take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday 12 November in Wansford Village Hall. Future meeting dates are 14th January 2026, 11th March and 13th May. Please note that meetings have been rearranged to fall in with print deadlines for the Nafferton, Skerne and Wansford Newsletter. Members of the public are welcome to attend and there is an opportunity for them to raise issues of concern regarding the parish at the beginning of the meeting.

Pie and pea supper – 1st December has been pencilled in for a Skerne and Wansford parish pie and pea supper at the Trout Inn for residents of both villages. Arrangements are still being made so please follow the Skerne and Wansford PC Facebook page for more details re confirmation of date, time, cost, etc.

Website - It is hoped that the new Skerne and Wansford Parish Council website will be launched on or before 1st October. Please follow the Skerne and Wansford PC Facebook page for more news on the launch.

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FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2025

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**THE NICKY MCMICHAN
SCOTTISH CEILIDH BAND**



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TICKETS £35 TO INCLUDE

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APPEAL
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NAFFERTON W.I. PENSIONER'S AFTERNOON TEA

Nafferton W.I. invites Nafferton and Wansford over 65 residents to an Afternoon tea with entertainment and a raffle in the village hall on Saturday 18th October 2025 to commence at 2pm for 2:30pm start

Number of persons to attend

Names	Dietary requirements/allergies

Address of main contact

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PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO NAFFERTON POST OFFICE OR ANY COMMITTEE MEMBER BY SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2025