

NAFFERTON, SKERNE & WANSFORD NEWSLETTER

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NAFFERTON NEWS

NAFFERTON SCOUTS

Nafferton Scouts are very excited to open a Squirrel Drey! Squirrels are aged 4 to 6 years old and are the newest members of the scouting family. If you would like your young adventurer to join us, please contact naffertonscouts@gmail.com.

Our other age groups run as follows:

- Beavers - Aged 6 - 8 - Tuesdays from 6pm - 7pm
- Cubs - Aged 8 - 10 - Tuesday from 7:15pm - 8:15pm
- Squirrels - Aged 4 - 6 - Wednesdays 6pm - 6:45pm
- Scouts - Aged 10 - 13 - Wednesday 7pm - 8:30pm

EAST RIDING MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library comes to Nafferton outside All Saints Church on Westgate from 1pm to 5pm on the following dates:

12 th & 26 th October 2026	4 th & 18 th January 2027
9 th & 23 rd November 2026	1 st & 15 th February 2027
7 th & 21 December 2026	1 st , 15 th & 29 th March 2027

The library van has a collection of Audio books, Children's books and takes book orders for books not immediately available in the mobile library. They also carry a supply of hearing aid batteries and food refuse bags.

NAFFERTON VILLAGE HALL

- Tabletop Sale - Saturday 10th October 10-2pm in Nafferton Village Hall. Huge amount of various items incl. books, crockery, ornaments, duvet sets, lamps.... Refreshments available incl. bacon or egg butties, cake

and cream scones. All money raised for the upkeep of Nafferton Village Hall.

- The Glam n Glitz Band - Band A Gong and get your platforms on! This fantastic local band will be playing at Nafferton Village Hall at 7:30pm on Saturday 24th October. Limited Tickets of £14 and are now available on 07850774405 or 07523976826
- New Years Eve - 7:30 for an 8pm start on Thursday 31st December. See the New Year in with friends and music by local DJ Kev Gowlett. Tickets of £15 include a Pie and Pea supper and are available on 07850774405 or 07523976826

Nafferton Village Hall is available for all meetings, events, parties to book, find out availability and cost, please ring Sheila on 01377 254249.

NAFFERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Remembrance Sunday

This year's Remembrance Sunday falls on Sunday 8th November 2026.

Nafferton Parish council will be co ordinating the Remembrance Service on behalf of the Village at the War Memorial opposite the Mere. This year's event will be supported by the Methodist Chapel whose minister will lead the service along with local Parish Councillors Margeret Buckton and Nigel Sawyer. All parishioners are invited to attend to pay their respect to all who have fallen in previous wars and conflicts and those who have served their country. We would welcome anyone who wishes to lay a wreath whether for an association, group or as an individual. We would love to see you all. You are asked to attend from 10:35am onwards for the Service at 1100am.

NAFFERTON RECREATION CLUB

Thank You and Farewell to Caroline - After many years as Events Coordinator at Nafferton Sports & Recreation Club, Caroline left her role this September. Caroline played an important part in helping to organise, promote and bring to life events and activities at the Recreation Club over the years. Caroline will certainly be missed by everyone at the Recreation Club. We would like to thank her for all her hard work, time and commitment to the club and the wider Nafferton community. We wish Caroline all the very best for the future.

Nafferton Sports & Recreation Club Committee

After much thought, I have made the difficult decision to leave my role at Nafferton Recreation Club. It has been a huge part of my life, and I am incredibly proud of everything I have been able to be part of over the years.

Although my role is coming to an end, my love for the Recreation Club and our village certainly isn't, and I will continue to support it wherever I can.

Thank you, Nafferton, for everything. It has been an absolute pleasure.

Caroline x

Recreation Club Events

- Blast from the Past Disco - 7pm, 10th October - £7 per person. Tickets available via email or phone
- Quiz - 7pm, 16th October - £4 per person, maximum 6 in a team. Pre-booking preferred but not essential.
- Payday Bingo – cash prizes! - 6:30pm for 7pm, 23rd October - £10 entry, Pay on the door
- Quiz - 7pm 13th November £4 per person, maximum 6 in a team. Pre-booking preferred but not essential.
- Payday Bingo – cash prizes! - 6:30pm for 7pm, 20th November - £10 entry, Pay on the door

Recreation Club Bookings & Events - For all future hall bookings, events and enquiries, please use our new contact number of 07936 895584 or contact us using our email events@naffertonrecclub.org.uk, or via www.naffertonrecclub.org.uk. We look forward to continuing this welcoming space for clubs, groups, celebrations and community events in Nafferton.

Recreation Club Vacancy - We are looking for casual bar staff to join our friendly team. The role will mainly involve working at private events (parties, celebrations weddings) and occasional opportunities to help with food service, clearing plates, and setting up/clearing away tables and chairs. Rate of Pay: £14.24 per hour. If you are looking for flexible, casual work and would enjoy being part of our busy community club, we would love to hear from you! Please email events@naffertonrecclub.org.uk for an application form.

NAFFERTON METHODIST CHURCH

Christmas Craft Fair - Saturday 28th November 10-2pm in Nafferton Methodist Church and Nafferton Village Hall. Over 28 stalls booked including jewellery, cards, Christmas gifts and ideas. To book a table to sell your crafts please contact Sarah on 07523976826. Refreshments available

will include bacon butties, Cake slices and cream scones. All money raised for Nafferton Methodist Church funds

Sunday services on every Sunday at 10:30am:

- 4th October - Mrs Irene McGowan
- 11th October - Rev Peter Barnett sharing Holy Communion
- 18th October - Mr Peter Rogers
- 25th October - Rev Stephen Haward
- 1st November - Deacon Keith Gough
- 8th November - Remembrance Sunday Rev Peter Barnett
- 15th November - Rev Bill Anderson
- 22nd November - Rev Stephen Haward
- 29th November - Rev Robert Amos sharing Holy Communion.

Our Minister is Rev Peter Barnett and is available on 01377 538806.

LITTLE BEARS

Little Bears meets every Tuesday morning 9-11am in Nafferton Methodist Community and School rooms. £1 per person includes juice and biscuits for the children and tea/coffee and cake for the adults.

This group, for babies, toddlers and their carers provides a great selection of activities, including soft play, playdough, colouring, kitchen area, and a huge table of toys to play with followed by singing. Details from Sarah on 07523976826.

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

We 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

HANDBELL RINGERS OF NAFFERTON

Our small group of ringers meet on a Monday afternoon at Nafferton Methodist Church from 1:30pm until 3pm. We play a variety of tunes for our own pleasure and for community events. We are looking for a couple of new members to join us who can read music. We ask for £2 per session to cover our costs. If you are interested, please contact Steven Southcoat on 07717 415876.

NAFFERTON WRITING GROUP

The writing group meets at Nafferton Methodist Church on a Friday morning from 10am until noon. We write short stories or poems and socialise over tea and biscuits during our meetings. Some of us just write for ourselves and others are published authors. Why not give it a go! We ask for £2 per session to cover our costs. If you are interested, please contact Steven Southcoat on 07717 415876.

SINGING FOR FUN

Singing for fun is held on a Monday evening between 7-8pm at Nafferton Methodist Church School room. £2 per person. Sarah on Keyboard, Colin on Guitar. We sing a variety of songs but just for an hour of fun. Details from Sarah on 07523 976826.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Sundays – Services are at 9.15 for an hour or so – all welcome. ‘Activity bags’ are provided for children to explore the themes of services, so that younger friends have an activity or two related to the theme of each service.

Baptisms - November 22nd - Young Arthur William will be baptised at 10.30, when we will welcome him and his family as he becomes the newest member of our church.

Prayers -The joint Methodist-All Saints prayer group meet at All Saints each Monday at 6.45 pm (except for Bank Holidays) for about ¾ of an hour. All are welcome to join in – or, if you are unable to attend in person, we can offer prayers on your behalf. We also have a prayer requests box at the back of the church for anyone wishing to leave a note of any prayers you would like said.

Light up the church for a fiver! - For only £5 per month, you can sponsor the church flood lights. If you want to dedicate it to the anniversary of someone important to you, that name will be acknowledged on the noticeboard.

Footpaths round the church - Now that the evenings are dark, please note that some of the paths in the church yard are quite badly rutted and could cause injury. We will get the problem sorted out as quickly as possible, but in the meantime, please take extra care.

Oh No! Not Dog Poo Bags Again? - Yes, afraid so. Plastic dog poo bags cannot magically find a way to a waste bin and just leaving them in the graveyard is extremely vexing. This is so disrespectful and distressing to people whose loved ones' remains are in the graveyard. It is also unpleasant and time consuming for those who maintain the cemetery. There is a perfectly accessible waste bin just outside the cemetery by the occasional bus stop.

Enquiries about baptisms, weddings, funerals – and just about anything else to do with the church – to Barbara Fairfield in the first instance (Tel: 075 382 70335 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

On Monday 10 August, Northern Rail organised a community action day at Nafferton station. Thank you to everyone who joined Nafferton in Bloom members to paint the fence on platform 1 and weed the many planters around the station.



With more than 20 areas to care for in and around the village, we are always looking for new volunteers to join our friendly group and help keep Nafferton bright and beautiful. You can help as much or as little as you like, from

watering a planter near you to joining a seasonal tidy-up. If you would like to meet new people, spend time outdoors, and make a visible difference in the village, please get in touch.

NIB 2026 competition

Many thanks to all those who entered this year's Nafferton in Bloom competition, as ever the standard was high.

- The winner for front of house is Beth Harrision, second Hilary Slack
- The winner for the most colourful front garden is Mr and Mrs Raines

If you have a question, would like to get involved, or can help support Nafferton in Bloom, please contact Ann Ingle at ann.ingle@live.co.uk or Pete Robb at therobbs7@gmail.com. New members are always welcome, whether you can help regularly or just occasionally.

UNDER 5'S

How lovely the start of the new term has been for us seeing our returning children and many new faces join us at Nafferton Under Fives, it's always so nice to hear what our children have been done over the Summer Holidays. It has also been great to see some of our school leavers pop back to see us looking very smart in their school uniforms and hearing how their first few days at school went.

This summer we held some Stay & Play events for our new and current pre-school children which were very popular and helped them transition into pre-school at the start of the term.

This half term the children are looking at Harvest and Autumn, with plans for lots of craft activities using natural resources collected from round and about. Our 2026 Elf Hunt plans are underway for Sunday 6th December, please keep a look out nearer the date. This day is always a really nice event and a lovely start of December activities

DRIFFIELD SILVER BAND

The Driffield Silver Band rehearse at Nafferton Village Hall every Friday evening between 7:45pm and 9:45pm. You will be most welcome if you want to drop in to listen to the band rehearsing. Seats are provided at the front of the hall for this purpose.

Drifffield Silver Band Upcoming Events

- 7:30pm Friday November 27th at Market Weighton Community Hall - Drifffield Silver Band Presents: Tommy Trumpet Saves Christmas
- 2pm Saturday December 5th at Drifffield Methodist Church - Drifffield Silver Band's family friendly original Christmastime story follows Tommy Trumpet on his journey to save Christmas. A Community Christmas Concert featuring Drifffield Community Band and East Riding Youth Brass Band, this festive concert is guaranteed to get everyone in the festive spirit
- 5pm Saturday 12th December at Hornsea Floral Hall - Drifffield Silver Band Presents: Tommy Trumpet at the Movies. We bring the big screen to life with a festive programme packed with Christmas tunes. A fun-filled concert for all ages – perfect for getting the whole family into the Christmas spirit

To purchase tickets for any of the band's Christmas concerts or for additional information, please visit www.drifffieldband.com.

Doorstep Carolling

Bring the magic of a live brass band to your home, business or Christmas party this year. Drifffield Silver Band can perform a selection of your favourite Christmas carols in the comfort of your own venue. This is a perfect festive treat! Prices are £40 for 15-minutes and £60 for 30-minutes. Contact events@drifffieldband.com to for more information or to book.

For further information about the band or any queries regarding booking the band, please visit our website or email admin@drifffieldband.com.

DRIFFFIELD COMMUNITY BAND

Have you ever wanted to learn an instrument, return to playing music, or simply meet new people in a friendly and welcoming environment? The Drifffield Community Band could be exactly what you're looking for. The band rehearses every Friday evening from 6:00pm–7:15pm at Nafferton Village Hall and welcomes players of all abilities aged 6 or over. It doesn't matter if you've played for years or not at all, this is the place for you! Designed with adult learners and returning players in mind, the band offers a relaxed and supportive atmosphere for members to learn at their own pace while enjoying making music together. There are: • No auditions, • No previous

experience required, • Free instrument hire, • Free tuition and a small membership fee of just £8 per month.

If you're unsure about joining, you're welcome to simply come along to a rehearsal and see what it's all about. Members are always on hand to help beginners feel comfortable and supported from day one. The Driffield Community Band is more than just a music group — it's a social and community, focused organisation where friendships are made and confidence grows through music. The band regularly performs locally and is now looking for even more opportunities to play at community events, fairs, celebrations, and functions across the area. If you are organising an event and would be interested in having the band perform, please get in touch via events@driffieldband.com. To join the band or find out more, email DCB@driffieldband.com or simply turn up to a Friday rehearsal — you'll be made most welcome.

EAST RIDING YOUTH BRASS BAND

Join the East Riding Youth Brass Band! Do you know a young person who loves music or would simply like to try something new? The East Riding Youth Brass Band is welcoming new players aged 6-21, no previous musical experience required! The band offers a fun, friendly and supportive environment where young people can learn an instrument, make friends, and enjoy making music together. Everyone is welcome regardless of previous experience or current music lessons. There are no auditions or hidden costs. Membership costs just £4 per month and includes:

- Free instrument hire
- Free tailor-made tuition with a qualified and DBS checked tutor
- Opportunities to perform and build confidence
- A chance to be part of a welcoming musical community

Rehearsals are from 10:45am-12:15pm at Driffield's Salvation Army Hall every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. Private brass and percussion tuition on a Friday evening at Nafferton Village Hall is also available free for band members. Parents and young people are welcome to a rehearsal to just give it a go. To find out more, or to join, email ERYBB@driffieldband.com. Come along, make new friends, and discover the excitement of music making with the East Riding Youth Brass Band.

DRIFFIELD MALE VOICE CHOIR

The choir continues to enjoy a very successful 55th Anniversary year, and we are still growing. We welcomed another Top Tenor to our rehearsal recently, and we would welcome any gentleman who would like to be part of a friendly, happy group who simply love to sing. Please call Chris for further details on 07879 461682

Event dates

- 2pm Friday 9th October - Riverhead Hall care home, Driffield
- 2pm Friday 6th November - Priory View Day care centre, Bridlington
- 7pm Saturday 14th November - DMVC Fund Raising Concert, All Saints Church, Driffield
- 11am-1pm Saturday 5th December - Lidl Driffield, carols
- 2pm Sunday 6th December - Charity Carol concert All Saints Church, Driffield
- 2pm Saturday 12th December - Free Concert for the Community All Saints Church, Driffield



Nafferton Golf Association OPEN DAY



Friday 2nd October 2pm ~ 6pm

**Come along to Nafferton's own mini golf range
and have a swing (All ages welcome)**

- **Driving Net**
- **Pitching Areas (50mts & 100mts)**
- **Target golf Competitions**
- **Golf balls and clubs available**
- **Various types of membership available**

Look forward to seeing you at the Rec

Members are the only ones permitted to practice golf on the recreation grounds at the designated times.

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Nafferton WI

Dates to Note



Upcoming Monthly Meetings

14th October – Rachel Ward
Talk on Scams and Fraud

11th November – Powerhoop
Hula Hooping and Cheerleading

9th December – Christmas Party

13th January – Les Watson
Bygone Tools

10th February
Annual Federation Quiz

10th March – Michele Tong
Sugar Craft

14th April – AGM

*All women welcome
first visit is FREE*

Other dates and events

17th October – Pensioners Tea

(please ask for a registration form if you are interested or see booking for at the back of this edition of the Newsletter)

14th November – Christmas Themed
Dabble Day

(Details TBC booking will be essential as places are limited, there will be a small charge to cover costs)

10th April '27 Members Centenary
Celebration Afternoon Tea

Centenary Tree Planting

*Tree planting to mark 100 years of
Nafferton WI – Details TBC*

Nafferton WI Centenary Celebration Day

at Nafferton Village Hall

19th June 2027

Activities TBC but watch out for more details

To keep up to date with our activities and
news follow us on our Facebook Page



SKERNE AND WANSFORD NEWS

SKERNE & WANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

- Pie and pea night - Tentative discussions concerning a community pie and pea night at the Trout Inn in December were had at the September meeting. Watch the Wansford YO25 Community page for more information nearer the time.
- Additional bin - Sites are being identified in Wansford for the provision of additional litter/dog poo bins. Given East Riding of Yorkshire (ERYC) approval, hopefully the bins will be in place by early 2027 at the latest.
- Dog fouling - Once again the issue of dog owners not picking up after their pets or leaving plastic bags full of dog poo about the area has been raised by several residents. Note that this is illegal, even on the public rights of way; the ERYC dog warden has powers to help with this problem but needs the culprit clearly identified and a witness. Offences can be reported by searching for 'dog control and ownership' on eastriding.gov.uk
- Garden party - About 90 people attended the garden party on August 8 when Soshana and Darren McKnight Hill generously opened their Wansford Manor grounds for the event. The Bucking Bronco bouncy castle proved a great attraction as was Buster's ice cream van. Many thanks go to Soshana, Darren and helpers for all their hard work.
- New defibrillators - New defibrillators are now in situ both in Skerne and Wansford; the Wansford defib is situated at Wansford Village Hall and Skerne's is at Broadmead House, West End.
- New signs - Sites for new gate-type signs at the Skerne and Wansford village entrances are now with ERYC Streetscene for approval. Research has shown that the signs do have the effect of causing drivers to slow down as they enter a settlement.
- Casual vacancy - There is a casual vacancy on the parish council which can be filled by co-option. For more details contact the clerk by e-mailing clerk@skerneandwansfordpc.co.uk
- Website - The parish council website, which is to keep the community up-to-date with parish council business, events, and community information, can be found at www.skerneandwansfordpc.co.uk.

ST MARY'S CHURCH, WANSFORD

- Weddings, baptisms and funerals - For funerals, please contact priest-in-charge, the Rev Craig Smith on (01377) 258278, 07984 832938 or craigairbusa380@gmail.com. For weddings and baptisms please e-mail: hcn_chris_wed@outlook.com
- Church services - Details of services throughout the two benefices can be found on the Wansford page at achurchnearyou.com/church/19118

KEEP IN TOUCH

- Keep up-to-date - Villagers can keep up-to-date via the noticeboards and Facebook pages; parish council news, agendas, etc can be found on the Skerne & Wansford PC public page. The villages' social page is named Wansford YO25 Community and welcomes people from both villages and those with a strong link to the community. Commercial advertising is not allowed.

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.
- 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, the Cloggers 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.

MAKARA MORRIS

Wansford Village Hall is home to Makara Morris, which draws members from Wansford, Nafferton and many parts of East Yorkshire. In the summer you might have seen us in Wansford or in Driffield, where we not only dance regularly but also organise the Annual Driffield Day of Dance. We have also danced at Morris Festivals around Yorkshire and Lincolnshire. Past activities

included some members travelling to Millau in France as part of the Bridlington twinning group.

As the Autumn arrives we will have more opportunity to learn and practice new moves and dances, ready to shine in the spring and summer.

We are a friendly, mixed side of dancers and musicians. If you fancy doing something traditional and unusual, come and meet us, us without obligation. Your first two sessions are free and thereafter it is only £1 per session..

Check out our website at: www.wansford.wordpress.com . For more information you can email Debby at withbelzon@hotmail.com or give her a ring on 01482 473070.

OIL CO-OPERATIVE

Bulk-buying - Skerne and Wansford parish is served by the charity, 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 price from a range of suppliers. As many suppliers charge a premium price for small orders, this not-for-profit scheme assists householders in budgeting for their fuel, which has been particularly important during the last few difficult months of rising prices.

A record of savings made can be found at hwra.org.uk/oil-buying-cooperative
For details contact oil@hwrc.org.uk or call 07918 147 006/01652 638 814.

The Skerne and Wansford contact is Billy Waites, of Skerne, whose email is williamwaites08@gmail.com

NAFFERTON W.I. PENSIONERS' AFTERNOON TEA

Nafferton W.I. invites Nafferton and Wansford residents over 65 years old to our Pensioners' Tea Party with entertainment and a raffle in the Nafferton Village Hall on **Saturday 17th October 2026**. Doors open at **2pm** for **2.30pm start**.

Number of persons to attend

Names	Dietary Requirements / Allergies

Address of Main Contact:

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Emergency Contact Number for Main Contact:

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Emergency Contact Numbers for Guests:

Guest 1:

Guest 2:

Guest 3:

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Weekly Events			
Day	Time	Event	Location
Sunday	9:15am	Anglican Service	Nafferton All Saints Church
	10:30am	Methodist service	Nafferton Methodist Church
Monday	10am to 11:30am	Mustard Seed Cafe	Nafferton Methodist Church
	1:30pm to 3pm	Crafty Fingers craft group	Wansford Village Hall
	1:30pm to 3pm	Handbell ringing	Nafferton Methodist Church
	6:45pm	Prayer Group	Nafferton All Saints Church
	7pm to 8pm	Singing for Fun	Nafferton Methodist Church
	7pm	Makara Morris	Wansford Village Hall
Tuesday	9am to 11am	Little Bears	Nafferton Methodist Church
	6pm to 7pm	Beaver Scouts	Nafferton Club House (Bowls Club)
	7:15pm to 8:15pm	Cubs	Nafferton Club House (Bowls Club)
Wednesday	10am to 11am	Coffee Morning	Wansford Village Hall
	1:30pm to 4pm	Nafferton Craft & Social club	Nafferton Methodist Church
	6pm to 7pm	Squirrels	Nafferton Club House (Bowls Club)
	7:15pm to 8:15pm	Scouts	Nafferton Club House (Bowls Club)
Friday	10am to noon	Writing Group	Nafferton Methodist Church
	6pm to 7:15pm	Driffield Community Band	Nafferton Village Hall
	7:45pm to 9:45pm	Driffield Silver Band	Nafferton Village Hall
2 nd and 4 th Saturday of month	10:45am to 12:15pm	East Riding Youth Brass Band	Salvation Army Hall Driffield