

# **NAFFERTON, SKERNE & WANSFORD NEWSLETTER**

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

## **NAFFERTON NEWS**

### **NAFFERTON PARISH COUNCIL**



The Parish Council recently met with Mr Johnson, Headteacher of Nafferton Primary School, to discuss the ongoing parking issues around the school. Unfortunately, there has been an alarming increase in near-miss incidents in recent weeks. The school regularly speaks with pupils about road safety, respect and responsibility. As a large village school with almost 300 children on roll, parking around the school can become very limited during busy times. We would strongly encourage parents and carers to consider setting off a little earlier and parking a short distance away from the school gates. This small adjustment can make a significant difference and could ultimately help prevent serious accidents — or even save lives.

While the school continues to reinforce important road safety messages with pupils, it is essential that these lessons are supported at home. Children, parents, staff and the wider community all share a responsibility to remain vigilant and help keep our village safe.

Humberside Police are currently running Operation Snap, a secure online platform that allows members of the public to submit video or photographic evidence of driving offences they have witnessed. The scheme aims to

improve road safety and ensure that those who place others at risk are held accountable.

Please note that Operation Snap is intended for traffic offences only and should not be used to report collisions or other non-traffic-related incidents. The Parish Council has also requested that traffic wardens attend the area more regularly. In the meantime, we kindly ask all road users to take extra care when passing the school during peak times, particularly as safe crossing points in the area are limited.

### Bus Shelter Seating

Nafferton Sports & Recreation Club Committee have kindly gifted an unused bench to the community for use in the village bus shelter. Volunteers have now installed the bench, providing a welcome place to sit while waiting for the bus. Our thanks go to everyone involved.

### Nafferton Mere

Sadly, our resident swan recently passed away from what is believed to be natural causes, having been a familiar sight at the Mere for many years. DEFRA were notified. Some residents have suggested introducing a replacement pair of swans. However, following professional advice it has been recommended that we allow time for the Mere to naturally recolonise, as there is already a healthy swan population in the surrounding area.

### Parish Council Meetings

Nafferton Parish Council meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except August). Meetings begin at 7:30pm and are held in the main hall at Nafferton Recreation Club, Eastlands, YO25 4LA. Members of the public are warmly welcome to attend. The first 15 minutes of each meeting are set aside as an open forum, where residents may raise issues or ask questions. Upcoming Meeting Dates:

14<sup>th</sup> April

12<sup>th</sup> May

9<sup>th</sup> June

14<sup>th</sup> July

8<sup>th</sup> September

13<sup>th</sup> October

10<sup>th</sup> November

8<sup>th</sup> December

For questions, support, or to get involved, please contact the Parish Clerk:  
[clerk@naffertonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@naffertonpc.org.uk)

## **NAFFERTON VILLAGE HALL**

### Nafferton Open Show

This will be held on Saturday 11th July at Nafferton Village Hall. Classes in photography, cookery, art, flowers, vegetables, flower arranging, handicraft, children's classes in art, cookery handicraft and photography.

Schedules for classes and entries will be available the end of May.  
details from Sarah on 07523976826

### The Glam n Glitz Band- Bang-A-Gong and get your platforms on!

This fantastic band will be playing on Saturday 24th October at Nafferton Village Hall with a 7:30pm start. Tickets are £14 from 07850774405 or 07523976826

Nafferton Village Hall is available to hire on 01377 254249

For parties, events, meetings, great hall and well-equipped kitchen.

## **NAFFERTON METHODIST CHURCH**

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

Nafferton Methodists held a successful Pancake Day lunch which raised £420 and an amazing Craft Fair raising £955 for Methodist funds. Thanks are expressed to all who supported these two events and to the kitchen staff and bakers.

The Methodist Church supports The Mustard Seed Cafe on Monday mornings, The Handbell Ringing group, Monday afternoon, Singing for Fun Monday evenings. Little Bears a children and carers group on a Tuesday morning, Gentle Activities group Wednesday mornings, Craft and Social Group Wednesday afternoons, Village Pantomime rehearsals and performances Wednesday evenings, Bible Study Group on Thursday evenings, The Village Creative Writing group on Friday mornings and Weekly Morning Worship on a Sunday Morning.

Good Friday 3rd April at 10:30am service led by Rev Peter Barnett, followed by seasonal refreshments

Easter Sunday 5th April at 10:30am service led by Rev Heather Cooper

**at** NAFFERTON METHODIST CHURCH  
**on** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April, 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 RECREATION CLUB**

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported our events throughout January and February. Your continued support makes a real difference to the club and helps us keep organising activities for the whole community. It's always fantastic to see so many familiar faces as well as some new ones joining us.

We're now looking forward to a busy and exciting programme of events throughout the spring and summer, and we hope you'll be able to join us for many of them. Here's what we have coming up:

April

- 3rd April – Good Friday Easter Family Treasure Hunt & BBQ
- 9th April – Daytime Bingo
- 17th April – Family Race Night
- 23rd April – Daytime Bingo
- 24th April – Quiz Night
- 26th April – Spring Craft Fair & Car Boot

May

- 1st May – Spring Bingo
- 7th May – Daytime Bingo
- 18th May – Spring/Summer Fashion Show (7pm)
- 21st May – Daytime Bingo
- 22nd May – Quiz Night

As always, we really appreciate the support from our members, volunteers and everyone who attends the events. Your participation helps keep the club thriving and allows us to continue putting on activities for the whole village.

We are also looking to set up a “Friends of Nafferton” volunteer list. If you would be willing to offer a little time to help with any of our events throughout the year, we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch if you would like to be added to the list.

We look forward to seeing you at some of the upcoming events

## **ALL SAINTS CHURCH**

Sundays – Services continue to be at 9.15 for an hour or so – all welcome.

Parents may wish to note that we have ‘activity bags’ for children to explore during the Sunday services. The idea is to give younger friends an activity or two related to the theme of each service. The Easter Sunday Service (7<sup>th</sup> April) will be especially suitable for children, and an Easter Egg Hunt added!

### Additional Services

Maundy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 10.00am: Rev Anne White will be doing an Children’s Easter Story, craft activities and refreshments. Families especially invited.

Good Friday at 2.00pm: A ‘Stations of The Cross’ observance led Liz Stothard-Chew.

Our New Vicar: Rev Craig Smith was licenced to be the new leader of the group of churches (Benefice) that All Saints belongs to. The official licencing and welcoming service was led by Eleanor, Bishop of Hull, at 3.00pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> March – at Hutton St Peter’s Church. A huge ‘thank you and welcome’ to him and his wife, Sheila, for joining us. He has been ministering in New Zealand for the past three years but now returns to be near family in this area.

Sad News: As readers may have seen in the local newspaper, our former Church Warden Irene Anderson (known by many as 'Lovely Muchley') has passed away.

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.

Concert: Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00 – Driffield Male Voice Choir will be making a welcome return visit to All Saints, to presenting some of their favourite songs. Tickets from Barbara (contact details below), members of the choir, or pay at the door. (Refreshments and Raffle, of course.)

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.

### **HANDBELL RINGERS OF NAFFERTON**

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April the Handbell Ringers will be hosting an East Yorkshire handbell ringing rally at the Nafferton Methodist Church from 10am to 2pm. This is the first time Nafferton has been able to hold this event with several handbell ringing teams from across the region. Beverley Town handbell ringers, renowned for their repertoire of popular music will be one of the teams attending.

Sarah and her team will be serving refreshments for us and visitors. Please come and support our event.

### **NAFFERTON IN BLOOM**

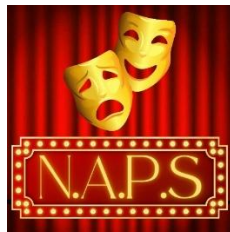
Our popular fund raising plant and cake sale on Good Friday 3rd April from 10am- 12 on Jubilee Gardens. This is a great opportunity to pick up something new for your garden and enjoy some delicious treats. Please come along and support us and find out more about us, the work we do **and** the social side of Nafferton in Bloom.

Many thanks to Mustard Seed for their generous donation to Nafferton in Bloom. Mustard Seed is not only a friendly place to start your week (every Monday 10-11.30am in the Methodist Church) but a generous supporter of village activities. We are all looking forward to tidying up the planters and other areas around the village now the warmer weather is here.

The next newsletter will contain the entry forms for the Nafferton in Bloom competition. Remember to enter your front garden or front of house (for those with no front gardens) you can use this form to enter this summer's competition. For any further information about the competition please contact Susan Marshall ([marathonsusan@gmail.com](mailto:marathonsusan@gmail.com)).

For any information about Nafferton in Bloom in general please contact Ann Ingle ([ann.ingle@live.co.uk](mailto:ann.ingle@live.co.uk)) or Pete Robb ([therobbs7@gmail.com](mailto:therobbs7@gmail.com)).

## **NAFFERTON AMATEUR PRODUCTION SOCIETY (NAPS)**



Thank you to everyone who attended our open evening at the Bluebell. It was wonderful to see such a turnout and so many offers of support. The casting process was competitive, with so many excellent auditions—every part is now filled and we couldn't be more excited.

We are especially grateful to the BlueBell for their generosity in letting us use the back room, which made the evening possible. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

If you would like to get involved at all you can also contact us via email [naps\\_info@yahoo.com](mailto:naps_info@yahoo.com)

## **NAFFERTON SCOUTS**

Nafferton Beavers, Cubs and Scouts have been busy this term- we have used soldering irons, pyrography pens, finished our communicator badge and learnt more about our community.

4 Nafferton Cubs and their excited leader spent the February half term at Disneyland Paris with 75 other Cubs which was an amazing adventure.

We have 1 Scout attending the World Scout Jamboree in Poland next year and 12 other Scouts venturing off to Germany in 2027, so we have a lot of fundraising events coming up. Please come and enjoy yourselves at one of our events!

We have an adult only day time disco on Saturday 4th April from 2pm at the Village Hall - it's 80s, 90s, and 00s themed and fancy dress is encouraged! Pizza will be served around 3pm - we have refreshments but please bring your own drinks.

We then have a murder mystery event on Saturday 2nd May at the Village Hall - food is included and all we need is your super sleuthing skills!

For tickets, or any more information, please email [naffertonscouts@gmail.com](mailto:naffertonscouts@gmail.com), or ring Sheenagh on 07961944331.

## **UNDER 5'S**

Spring term has been a very busy term for the children here at Nafferton Under Fives. We have enjoyed taking part in lots of Spring activities, planting beans to grow, measuring ourselves on a giant beanstalk we created in pre-school and making lots of Easter crafts. The first week of March our children dressed up for World Book Day and brought in their favourite books for us to read at story time.

We have kindly been invited by All Saints Church to make some Easter crafts to decorate the church for Easter and for our families to go and have a look around. The children are busily making lots of Spring decorations.

The end of the Spring term sees the return of our Easter Trail – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March. This is always a lovely day, hopefully the sun will shine and lots of families will come and join us at the Village Hall to join in our Easter fun. Our trail starts at 10am and last trail is 2pm, we hope to see you then.

## **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 would be made most welcome. Seats are provided at the front of the hall for anyone wishing to 'drop-in' for a listen.

Driffield silver band is thought to be one of the oldest brass bands in the country, dating from around 1827, and it thrives on being supported by the local community. Please come along and support your local brass band.

Our programs are varied and include tunes such as Bat Out Of Hell by Meatloaf, Toccata in D and soundtrack highlights from The Lion King as well as much, much more.

### Upcoming Events:

Saturday 25th April, 2pm Driffield Methodist Church Annual Bob Dales Memorial Concert. - Free to attend for all

Sunday 7th June, 2pm Filey Bandstand, Crescent Gardens - A public summer concert filled with popular tunes - - Free to attend for all

Sunday 19th July, 2pm Hornsea Memorial Gardens - A public summer concert filled with popular tunes - - Free to attend for all

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

## **DRIFFIELD COMMUNITY BAND**

The Driffield Community Band rehearse 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 122098 or band secretary Margaret Buckton on 07970 632638 alternatively, you can email [admin@driffieldband.com](mailto:admin@driffieldband.com) where a member of the committee will be more than happy to assist you.

### Upcoming Events:

Saturday 25th April, 2pm Driffield Methodist Church Annual Bob Dales Memorial Concert (Free to attend for all)

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's 55th Anniversary celebrations are well under way. We have already completed 3 Friday visits to charities and a care home, as part of our "Choir Supporting The Community" initiative. We will also be performing at All Saints in Nafferton (to raise money for the church) on Saturday 11th April, 7pm.

### Concerts:

- Saturday 11th April - All Saints Nafferton 7pm
- Friday 8th May 12.30 - Free lunchtime concert Beverley Minster
- Saturday 6th June 7pm - Bridlington Priory
- Sunday 5th July 2pm - Burnby Hall Gardens Pocklington
- Saturday 18th July 6.30pm - Beverley Minster - 'Easy Meets West',  
Special guests Steeton MVC Riverside Brass

We recently recruited 3 new members but STILL need more new members  
Call Chris for concert details, tickets or information on joining the choir on  
07879 461682

### **NAFFERTON WI**

What do you think of when someone says to you WI or Women's Institute?  
Is it "Oh that group of older women who bake cakes, make jam and sing Jerusalem"? Or is it "That group of ladies of all ages who meet monthly in our community to socialise, exchange views, go on outings, to be involved in national campaigns and have access to educational courses"?

The WI is a National Charity supporting an ever-growing membership of over 180,000 members across 5,500 Women's Institutes in England, Wales and Scotland. That is only the tip of an organisation that was set up over 110 years ago to bring women from all walks of life together. It enabled them to

socialise, educate and encourage women to improve their lives and that of their families and the community that they live in.

Those basic values and ethics have not altered over the years, if anything they have expanded. Yes, society and the communities we live in have changed greatly, but over that time the WI has kept up to date and is still very relevant and has a lot to offer its members.

Nafferton WI is almost 100 years old which is an achievement. Members past and present should be very proud of this. When you join us, you will find a friendly welcome, an opportunity to get to know the community they live in, make friends, socialise, attend talks and demonstrations, go on outings and much more. There are opportunities to speak to other members all over the country and get involved in both local and national campaigns if that is of interest to you.

Above all we care about the community we live in and where possible support organisations such as the Driffield Food Bank, collecting groceries monthly and Toys at Christmas and Easter Eggs.

If you would like to know more about us pop along as a visitor to one of our meetings, held the second Wednesday of the month in the Village Hall at 7pm. Looking forward to seeing you.

Pat Ablett – President.

## **NAFFERTON BOWLS CLUB**

**DO YOU WANT TO TRY A NEW SPORT? THEN COME ALONG TO NAFFERTON BOWLS CLUB OPEN DAY ON SATURDAY 9th MAY.**

Following on from last year's very successful open day where several new members joined the club and had a very enjoyable season with us, Nafferton Bowls Club are pleased to announce that this year's open day will take place on Saturday 9th May 10.00am - 4.00pm. Whether you are a total beginner or have experience you will be guaranteed a warm welcome by our current members who will be on hand throughout the day to guide you. All equipment is provided; you will just require a pair of flat soled shoes. Free refreshments available throughout the day.

## **NAFFERTON FEOFFEES CHARITIES TRUST**

### Bursary Scheme 2026/27

Applications are invited from Students proposing University Entrance Autumn 2026.

Nafferton Feoffees Charities Trust Committee is able to offer a discretionary bursary to a student applying for university entrance to a full-time course, in the academic year 2026/27. Applicants must be resident in the ecclesiastical parish of Nafferton with Wansford, East Riding of Yorkshire, and intend to enter a first-degree course at a UK University or College. The bursary shall be awarded for the duration of the course.

To request full details and an application form please either download it from our website <https://feoffeetrust.co.uk/bursaries/> or apply to;  
Vice Chair of Nafferton Feoffees Charities Trust, Mrs Fiona Trewartha Penhallow, 4 Bridlington Road, Nafferton, Driffield, East Riding of Yorkshire, YO25 4LG. Email [fiona@feoffeetrust.co.uk](mailto:fiona@feoffeetrust.co.uk)

Closing date – Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Zoom Interview - Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026, from 6:30pm

## **NAFFERTON GARDENING CLUB**

The club meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. Annual membership is £12 or you can just come for the evening for £4, which includes refreshments. New members and visitors are very welcome.

Our next talks will be on April 15th - '**Fragrance in the Garden**'. - Our speaker for the evening will be Susan Scott who will tell us what to grow to add fragrance to our gardens. There will be no meeting in May.

For more details email: [naffertongardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:naffertongardenclub@gmail.com)

## **PLEA FROM HORSE OWNERS**

New laws covering car owners and horses and cyclists came into force in 2022 that state that horses have a legal right to be on roads and drivers are required to pass horses at a maximum of 10 mph and allow at least 2 metres (6.5 feet) of space. Motorists must not sound horns or rev engines and must

treat horses as vulnerable road users along with pedestrians and cyclists. If motorists cannot pass allowing this space, they must wait.

In the interest of explanation, a horse rider will always try to find a suitable place to allow cars to pass but for instance – around Markman Lane it is not suitable to put the horse on the grass as there are bottles and cans etc thrown out of cars onto the grass that can cause horses injury. In that case car drivers should wait until the horse can pull into a passing place.

It is difficult to exercise horses especially in winter when paddocks are sodden and slippery and often there is no alternative but to take them out onto the roads. Young horses also have to learn to be around traffic. Bear in mind they are large animals, maybe weighing a ton and if frightened by cars passing too close could easily end up on your bonnet, not good for your car and not good for the riders who literally put their life in the horses hand when riding out in traffic and depend on car drivers treating them with care and respect.

## SKERNE AND WANSFORD NEWS

### **VILLAGES CLEAN-UP**

#### Spring clean:

A volunteer call has gone out to residents of both villages to help in a spring clean scheduled to take place on Saturday 11 April. Litter-pickers and bags will be provided by the Skerne & Wansford Parish Council, and another generous donor is giving hi-vis vests. Other tasks from edging to sweeping to tending/creating flower beds will be self-evident and those participating are asked to take their own brushes, spades, etc.

The meeting time is 11am at the respective village bus shelters and, following the clean-up, volunteers are invited to the Trout Inn for a sandwich and a drink to be provided by landlord Paul Anderson and staff. For more details contact any parish councillor.

### **ST MARY'S CHURCH, WANSFORD**

#### New priest-in-charge

As the newsletter went to press plans were being finalised for the licensing service of the incoming priest-in-charge, the Rev Craig Smith at St Peter's Church,

Hutton, at 3pm on March 22. Mr Smith, and his wife Sheila, were due to arrive in the UK from New Zealand in mid-March and take up residence in The Vicarage at Howl Lane, Hutton.

### Lychgate gates

After many delays the faculty for the repair of the lychgate was finally granted in mid-February; it is hoped that the refurbished gates will be in place shortly.

### Services

Details of services at St Mary's and throughout the two Nafferton and Hutton Cranswick benefices can be accessed at the St Mary's, Wansford, page on [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com)

## **QUIZ NIGHT AT THE TROUT**

Soshana Mcknight Hill has taken on the task of organising the regular charity quizzes at the Trout Inn after Tink Rush was obliged to step down for personal reasons at the end of 2025.

The next quiz night is scheduled for Tuesday 5 May. As ever it will be a fun quiz with food supplied by landlord Paul Anderson.

Entry is £5 and the start time is 6.30pm. Tickets can be bought in advance at the Trout; and any left will be available on the door on a first-come, first-served basis.

## **SKERNE & WANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

### Garden party

Parish councillor Soshana Mcknight Hill has kindly offered her Wansford Manor garden for a Skerne and Wansford community get-together in August. At the March parish council meeting a sub-committee was formed to organise the event. More details in the May/June newsletter.

### New benches

The new benches in Wansford on Nafferton Road and at Wansford Lock have been installed by Wansford resident Ian Lamble. As the newsletter went to press Skerne's Billy McLoughlin was hoping to have the Skerne bench installed by mid-March.

### Skerne bus shelter

The new totally grant-funded Skerne bus shelter was erected on schedule in mid-February. Thanks go to the Skerne volunteer who has already stepped forward and offered to keep the windows in the new facility clean.

### 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](mailto: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](http://www.skerneandwansfordpc.co.uk).

### Annual parish meeting

This will take place at 7.15pm on Wednesday 13 May at Wansford Village Hall. All residents of either village are welcome to attend to discuss issues relevant to the parish. It will be followed immediately by the annual meeting of the parish council.

Future meetings are scheduled for Wednesday 8 July, Wednesday 9 September and Wednesday 11 November. There is an opportunity at the start of each meeting for residents to raise matters of concern.

### Dog fouling

The prevalence of dog dirt on the pavements of both villages was discussed at the parish council, and members decided to investigate the possibility of supplying dedicated bins. Meanwhile, there is no excuse for not picking up dog dirt; it is most irresponsible and inconsiderate of owners to leave it in the street for fellow residents to step in and to foul pram/wheelchair wheels. It is worth noting that it is illegal to leave dog dirt in any public space and that includes not only village pavements but also public footpaths and bridlepaths.

## **FACEBOOK**

Parish council news, agendas, etc can be found on the Skerne & Wansford PC public page. The villages' social page, which was made to keep the community in touch during the Covid pandemic 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.

## **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.

In February, the price achieved was 52.95p per litre against the average normal price per litre of 61.55p making a saving of £45.15 (inc VAT) on 500 litres.

Membership costs £20 per year. For membership details contact [oil@hwrcc.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:william.waites08@gmail.com)