

# WELCOME TO AUTUMN



With thanks to George Smith

# Heslington Parish Council



**Autumn 2024**

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## VILLAGE SUMMER PARTY



Our Village Summer Party took place on Sunday 25 August in the Deramore Arms garden. Residents and visitors were able to enjoy live music, plant and cake stalls. The party was organised by the Heslington Village Trust and generously supported by a grant from Heslington Parish Council.

Dates for your diary.....



Start of road works/closure to investigate underground sewer drain subsidence opposite The Deramore Arms pub.

University Freshers' week begins.



The Yorkshire Marathon. Find out more about road closures at :

<https://www.runforall.com/events/>

Heslington Church (St Paul's) Harvest Festival.



**Your Feedback**  
We are always interested in residents' views. If there is something you would like us to add, contact us at [heslingtonpc@outlook.com](mailto:heslingtonpc@outlook.com)

## Heslington's New Residents



The young Peregrines outside the box (From original photograph by: Paul Shields)

Peregrine falcons have successfully raised two chicks from a nest on the University's main boiler room chimney (at the corner of Innovation Way and Church Lane). This is the first time that Peregrines have nested here. About ten years ago the University installed a Peregrine nesting box on the penultimate platform of the chimney, although it wasn't occupied until last year (2023), when a young pair started to use it, without attempting to breed. But by Spring this year they were clearly going to. The chicks hatched in May, with the first seen at the entrance to the box at the end of that month. After they had fledged, on 29 June one lucky observer saw an amazing six Peregrines all together at the site – the parents and their youngsters, plus a visiting adult female accompanied by a one-year-old bird, both probably from York Minister coming to 'check them out'.

We hope the breeding pair will return next year!  
Special thanks to members of York Ornithological Club.

## Heslington Scouts and Beavers

Heslington Cubs, Scouts and Explorers enjoyed a week's camp with Scouts from around the World at **Larkin** the first Yorkshire International Jamboree, participating in a range of on and off site adventurous activities. The Heslington Scout Group are still looking for girls and boys aged 6 to 8 years to join the Beavers section. Beavers meet from 5:30 - 6:30pm on Wednesday nights to play games, earn badges by learning new skills, make friends and most of all have fun! To join Beavers just email: [beavers@heslingtonscoutgroup.org.uk](mailto:beavers@heslingtonscoutgroup.org.uk)



## York Trailblazers

**York Trailblazers** is an exciting sculpture trail across the city, celebrating individuals who have shaped York's history, with sculptures and artworks based on the Tansy Beetle. FREE to take part in, it will be available until 30 September. <https://visityork.org/york-trailblazers>



[Explore the trail](#)

## Sportsfield News



The cricket season is now in full swing, and as always Heslington CC welcomes anyone that would like to get involved. The football season brought disappointment for Heslington FC first team as they were demoted, although the reserve squad has had a solid season and remain in their league. Fulford juniors use the Sportsfield also and run a number of junior squads, including under-6 and under-8 mixed squads, and welcome enquiries for all age groups. Please contact the club secretary Graham Souter for further information: [graham@pressgreen.com](mailto:graham@pressgreen.com).

## Village Meeting Room



Available to hire for your one-off or regular social events or meetings. The building contains a spacious Meeting Room, a recently refurbished

kitchen, and male and female toilets with disabled access. High-speed Wi-Fi is available. For further information see: [heslingtonmeetingroom.net/](http://heslingtonmeetingroom.net/) or email [hesmeetingroom@gmail.com](mailto:hesmeetingroom@gmail.com)



## Holmefield Estate

Holmefield Estate, is a private development on Peel Close and Turner's Croft, featuring a community centre and private car park amidst extensive grounds. Suitable for meetings, celebrations, and classes, the centre includes a large room, kitchen, toilet facilities and gardens. Available for hire: £5/hour for Holmefield residents, £10/hour for non-Holmefield residents. To find out more about the Estate or to book the community centre, visit [www.holmefield.uk/](http://www.holmefield.uk/) or contact managing agent Matthew Wilson at: [matthew@tjmudd.com](mailto:matthew@tjmudd.com)



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## LENGTHSMAN'S VIEW

Lengthsman Michael Harter shares his seasonal observations... "Leaf fall is in full swing, so there is no shortage of sweeping to be done in the village. A little bit of rain makes the job easier, as the



leaves stick together and can be swept before the wind picks them up again. There is quite a diverse range of insect and plant life at the kerbside, as nature wastes no opportunity to get a foothold in the unlikely places.

A more frustrating type of flowering was the recent spate of graffiti - now mostly removed - though this can be tricky to deal with once the sun has baked the ink onto the surface. We hope that the special paint used recently to freshen up some of the media connection boxes will be easier to clean, should this troublesome perennial return to the village.



How does a racing tipster give a starting price?

„Starting price“ and „racing tipster“ are anagrams.

## Parish Council Meetings

Summaries from Council meetings can be found on the website under Parish Council Minutes.

[heslington.org.uk](http://heslington.org.uk)



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## Nature Recovery

The Parish Council is collecting examples from residents of steps they have taken to support Nature Recovery. We will be working with Natural England who are leading the project to develop Local Nature Recovery Strategies from the grass roots.

You can see what other residents have been doing on our Nature Recovery page [Nature Recovery Area \(heslington.org.uk\)](http://heslington.org.uk).

Or, search the Parish Council section of the Heslington website [Heslington Parish Website - Village and Civil Parish of Heslington](http://heslington.org.uk)

Please tell us about what you are doing for Nature Recovery by email to: [heslingtonpc@outlook.com](mailto:heslingtonpc@outlook.com) or speak to a Parish Councillor. Contributions will be posted anonymously on our Nature Recovery page.

Let's share ideas and help keep Heslington a really special area, or perhaps we can make it even better!

Unmown verges at Holmefield

## York Campus Nursery Update



This new modern nursery, accommodating 94 children, is a perfect addition to the University of York's expanding campus facilities, offering an enriching environment for children to discover, learn, and thrive.

For more information visit [www.yorkcampusnursery.co.uk](http://www.yorkcampusnursery.co.uk)



## Did you know?

In the early 19th Century, there were two alehouses in Heslington, known as the Bay Horse and the Fox. Later, The Bay Horse was renamed the Charles XII after the winner of the 1839 St Leger flat race. By 1872, the second inn was called the Yarburgh Arms and in 1967 it was renamed the Deramore Arms.



## New Homes for Heslington

City of York Council have approved an application to build 162 new houses on the land at the end of Field Lane, adjacent to Hull Road, opposite the petrol station.

This site is known as ST4 in the York Local Plan (which is still awaiting formal approval).

Whilst concerns over the potential for traffic congestion persist, the approval would be conditioned for single-household, not HMO, housing.

Full details can be found at CYC Planning Portal: reference 15/00166/FULM

## Local Church News

Vicar, Fr. Adam Romanis, retired in August. We wish him well in his retirement.

Church 'table-top sale' on Saturday 28th September, 10am-1pm.

To book a table, please contact [alison.gammon4@gmail.com](mailto:alison.gammon4@gmail.com)

**HARVEST FESTIVAL** - At the Church, Sunday 20th October at 10am, open to everyone (who can avoid the Marathon!)

**York Opera Carol Concert**, 7.30pm Friday 13 December.

Tickets £12 on the door or from [heschurch@gmail.com](mailto:heschurch@gmail.com)

## Local History

Fishergate, Fulford and Heslington Local History Society is hoping to produce a few walking trails of Heslington and the area - and would very much like to hear if any Heslington resident could help.

Please contact Louise Wheatley on: [ffhyork.localhistory@gmail.com](mailto:ffhyork.localhistory@gmail.com)

## Planning applications

CYC invites the Parish Council to comment on most planning applications within the Parish. If you have any concerns about an application, which is listed on the agenda, you are welcome to attend the meeting and speak within the public session. However, the Parish Council would always urge residents to send their comments directly to CYC, so they form part of the planning application process consideration.

## Useful phone and email contacts

<a href="http://CityofYorkCouncil.org.uk">City of York Council (CYC)</a> Main Number	01904 551550
<a href="http://ResPark.org.uk">ResPark</a> scheme - issues and permits. Or to report illegal pavement and parking obstruction	0800 1381119
North Yorkshire Police - (antisocial behaviour, dangerous parking)	
<a href="mailto:snayorknorth@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk">snayorknorth@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk</a> Non-Emergency Number	101
Students Union Day Disturbance Hotline - 9am to 5pm, Mon-Fri	01904 323724
University Security Hotline	01904 324444
CYC Noise Patrol - Friday and Saturday only	01904 551555
CYC Community Officer - Cindy Benton <a href="mailto:cindy.benton@york.gov.uk">cindy.benton@york.gov.uk</a>	01904 551810
York Hospital	01904 631313
Heslington Football Club - John Sellars	07972075180
Fulford Football Club - Graham Souter <a href="http://fulfordfc.co.uk">fulfordfc.co.uk</a>	01904 635365
Heslington Cricket Club - Graham Purdy <a href="http://heslington.play-cricket.com">heslington.play-cricket.com</a>	07532137690
Heslington Sportsfield - <a href="mailto:tom@yorkmaze.com">tom@yorkmaze.com</a> or <a href="https://facebook.com/heslingtonsmc">facebook.com/heslingtonsmc</a>	
Heslington Outgang pavilion & pitches - Graham Purdy <a href="mailto:heslingtonsmc@gmail.com">heslingtonsmc@gmail.com</a>	07532137690
Heslington Scout Group - Scouts, Beavers and Cubs <a href="mailto:gsl@heslingtonscoutgroup.org.uk">gsl@heslingtonscoutgroup.org.uk</a>	01904 622213
Heslington/Fulford Brownies - Sue Lawrence	07944584074
<b>York Wheels</b> - Community transport for anyone with mobility issues	01904 630080
Local Area Coordinators <a href="mailto:alice.hawken@york.gov.uk">alice.hawken@york.gov.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:ellen.vipond@york.gov.uk">ellen.vipond@york.gov.uk</a>	07923 232824 (Alice) or 07775 026102 (Ellen)