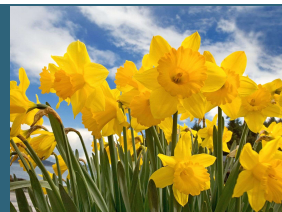


Newsletter from Irton Parish Council

April 2025



Dear Residents,

April marks the beginning of our new fiscal year (2025-26). The budget is now finalised and available on the Finance page of our website, and with £4,500 available for spending within the community we are hoping to improve village maintenance, services and activities.

Our first meeting of this fiscal year will be held on **Monday, 19th May**, and will constitute both the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual General Meeting of the Council. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend so that we can hear about any issues or concerns you may have. ***Tea, Coffee and Biscuits will be served for this annual meeting.***

We still have one vacancy for the position of Councillor and are hopeful that one of our residents will take on this role. Please consider applying and helping us to improve the village for all.

With kind regards, Cllr John Luckock | Mobile: 07814 891612 | Email: jluckock@outlook.com

"Spring is the time of plans and projects"

- Leo Tolstoy -

Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 3rd (10am) - Painting and Clean Up Day

We will be painting the rectangular flower planter boxes and installing new sponsorship plaques, sweeping Main Street to remove debris that has fallen from the stone walls, and picking up litter throughout the village. Extra help would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to help, please contact Cllr John Luckock.

Tuesday, May 6th (7pm) - Seamer & Irton Community Award

The joint committee of the Irton and Seamer Parish Councils has selected a recipient for this year's Community Award. The presentation will be made at the Seamer Annual Parish Meeting at the Seamer and Irton Memorial Hall. Please join us to congratulate the recipient, and to recognise their contribution to our communities. This is also a great opportunity to hear about some of the clubs and organisations in the community.

Saturday, May 10th (3pm) - VE Day Garden Party and BBQ



Irton Parish Council warmly invites all residents to join us in celebrating this historic occasion. The Garden Party starts at 3pm with BBQ served at 4pm. The event will be held at Alice Cottage, Irton (home of Richard and Marlene Parnell). Access the garden from the Ayton Road layby or from Main Street.

Thank you to the Friends of Irton Group for sponsoring this event.

Friends of Irton Group

The Friends of Irton Group was established in 2012 to promote unity in the village through community improvement activities. With a more proactive Parish Council now in place the group is being discontinued, with remaining funds of approximately £260 being provided to the Parish Council for sponsorship for the upcoming VE Day Garden Party and BBQ. The Parish Council wishes to thank Friends of Irton for all their previous efforts and for this greatly appreciated sponsorship. **Thank You!**

Update on Council Activities

Missing Traffic Bollard on Ayton Road

The missing / damaged traffic bollard on Ayton Road was reported to North Yorkshire Council and has subsequently been replaced with a new one. We will contact them again to pick up the old bollard which is lying in the grass on the north side of the road.

Persistent Alarms at the Water Treatment Works

Residents have complained about loud and persistent alarms from the Water Treatment Works, often lasting for several hours. The most recent alarm was on Sunday, March 30th starting at approximately 6am. North Yorkshire Police were contacted just before 9am, and the alarm was turned off shortly afterwards. A letter has now been sent to North Yorkshire Water advising that unattended alarms are not acceptable and requesting a response with corrective actions taken to prevent further incidents.

Unsatisfactory Bus Service (No. 128)

Concerns regarding the inadequate 2-hour service interval of the No. 128 bus service (Scarborough to Helmsley), and buses arriving full at the bus stop, were brought to the attention of North Yorkshire Cllr Heather Phillips. Although we were advised that “good news is coming”, the bus service remains unchanged. We now understand that the bus company and North Yorkshire Council attended a meeting of East Ayton Parish Council to hear similar concerns from their residents. This has resulted in a new No. 3 bus service (Hutton Buscel to Scarborough, via Racecourse Road), which is partially funded by North Yorkshire Council. While this resolves the issue for East Ayton residents, it provides no benefit to the residents of Irton. A letter has now been sent to Mayor David Skaith, York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority, requesting intervention in this matter, reallocating Council funds to improve the No. 128 bus service to a 1-hour interval as was originally requested.



Happy Easter !



Easter Weekend is Coming

Good Friday is on April 18th
Easter Sunday is on April 20th
Easter Monday is on April 21st

