



EAST WOLDS

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2026



LOCAL NEWS AND 'WHAT'S ON' GUIDE SERVING:

Burton Fleming, Butterwick, Foxholes, Kilham, Langtoft,
Octon, Rudston, Swaythorpe, Thwing, and Wold Newton.

THOUGHTS FROM OUR FRIEND

Dear Reader

How are you?

I don't know about you, but I feel like I'm waking up from a really long sleep, I feel like I'm stretching and yawning and just getting going. It's been a slow start to the year, plenty to do, but it's taken me ages to get on with things. I've really taken advantage of a slower morning and done a bit of procrastinating and suddenly here we are hurtling through February at a pace and already we are looking March full in the face.



When time flies like this, it can be a bit scary can't it, the week goes by so quickly and before you know it, it's the weekend again and you find yourself wondering what you've actually been doing all week! All this is made even more difficult because it's been so grey and miserable for what seems like forever.

Despite all this, there's a definite shift in the atmosphere, have you felt it? After months of grey skies, stiff winds and rain, there's a change.

The birds are singing, there's new growth popping up all over, I've never seen as many snowdrops. It feels like there's a different vibe, the air feels softer somehow a promise of something new just around the corner. The sun today felt warm and suddenly there was a lot of light.

Spring doesn't arrive loudly, it all just begins again, slowly coming back to life, a bit like my yawning and stretching. When energy has felt so scarce and growth impossible, here she is, starting afresh, beginning with a bud, then a fragile leaf, a bulb pushing through and then the daffodil bursting open. Not rushed, just gently pushing forward bit by glorious bit.

Let's celebrate this season then, not just the flowers and the warmth, but what it represents. You can begin again, soften and grow at your own pace, celebrate the smallest change, grow and develop slowly, one habit, one decision and one hopeful thought at a time. Spring is proof that even after the hardest of winters, change is natural and spring insists on blooming.

Wishing you all the best

A QUICK MESSAGE FROM US

Welcome to the March edition of the **East Wolds Community Newsletter**.

Spring is just around the corner - days are slowly stretching out, and the first hints of green are beginning to appear. It's a lovely reminder that brighter days are on their way.

A heartfelt thank you to our new contributors who have kindly agreed to share regular updates and articles. Your support and enthusiasm are truly appreciated.



As always, we rely on the wonderful people in our community to help keep this newsletter thriving. If you enjoy what we do, please consider getting involved. Perhaps you have some beautiful photos of our local area, an interest in local history, a hobby you'd like to write about, or know someone with a local business who might like to advertise. Whatever it may be, we would love to hear from you.

Please remember that for any submissions, the copy deadline for our next edition will be **Monday 23rd March**.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

See you next month!

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 or call Sarah direct on [07799 293162](tel:07799293162)

Sarah & James

LANGTOFT ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Langtoft Parish Council will be hosting the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 16th March at 7.00pm in the Bowls Club.

This is not a Parish Council meeting but a meeting for the electorate of the parish, to come along and discuss any topics that they may feel affect the village.

These may include but are not limited to:
traffic and road safety issues,
services provided by the parish council
(play area; community area; cemetery, bins etc),
bus service or lack of.

If you have an item that you wish to put on the agenda, please advise in writing to your Parish Clerk at clerk@langtoft-pc.gov.uk. If you are unable to attend but would still like this item to be discussed, you will receive a written response.

Sandra Morrison – Parish Clerk
Tel: 01262 470496
clerk@langtoft-pc.gov.uk



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YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOUR HELP
Foxholes community speed watch are looking for new recruits to help combat speeding in the village.
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Mondays 1:30-3pm

Weekly line dancing for beginners & improvers

Tuesdays 10-11am

Weekly Tai Chi

4 March – National theatre production 'The Audience' 6:30pm

4 March

Easter Egg Bingo

17 March

Garden Club

5 March

Quiz

28 March

Coffee Morning

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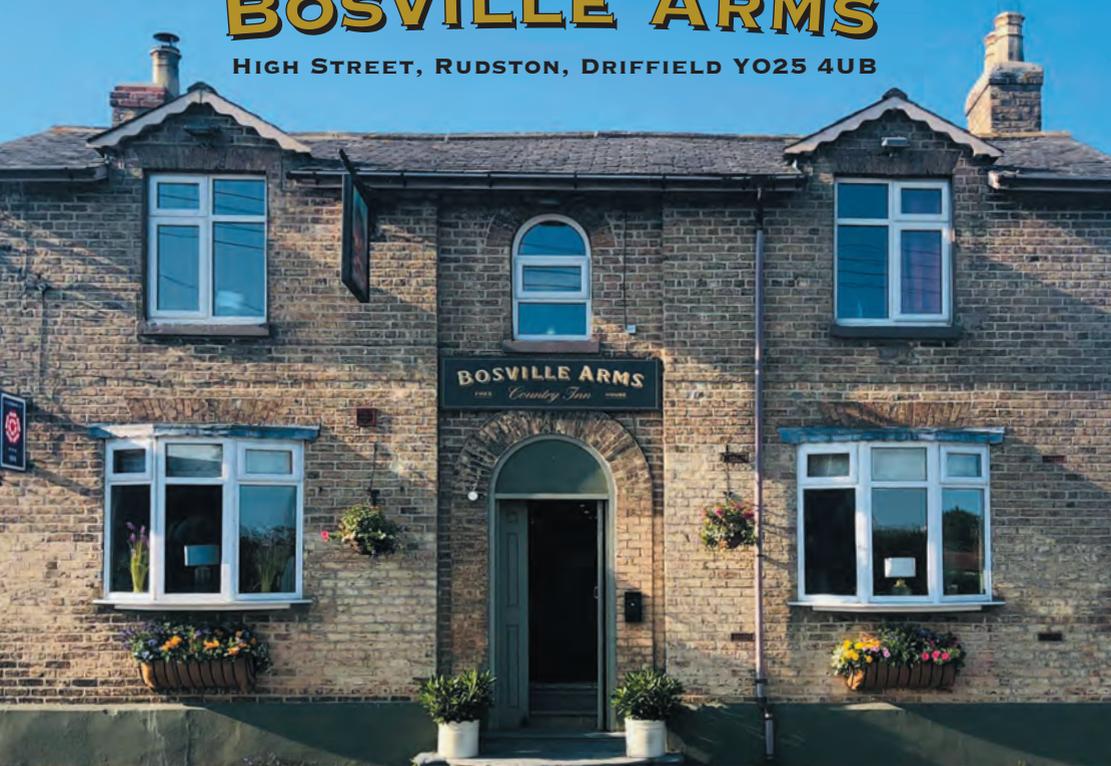
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Quiz Night: 1st March Singer: Em Louise, Friday 6th March

Band: Unfinished Business, 14th March

Join us for Mother's Day!

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Thwing Coffee Morning



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on

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FOXHOLES EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH 2026

REGULAR SOCIAL ACTIVITY GROUPS

Monday 2nd March 2026 (Meeting Room)

CAMERA CLUB 7.30pm till 9.00pm
(Every 1st Monday of Month)
Contact Sue: 07881 374805

Tuesday 10th March 2026 (Main Hall)

WHIST DRIVE 7.30pm till 9.30pm
(2nd Tuesday in Month)

WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MORE MEMBERS TO COME AND PLAY WITH US
This is Social Progressive Whist, so Beginners welcome. Just come along on the night. Contact Rod: 07748 755607

Tuesday 31st March 2026 (Main Hall)

YORKSHIRE COAST FARM WOMEN'S GROUP - 7.00pm to 9.30pm
(Last Tuesday in Month) Guest Speaker
Contact: lorrainegillings@icloud.com

WEEKLY SOCIAL ACTIVITIES GROUPS

Monday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th March 2026 (Meeting Room/Every week)

CRAFT GROUP 2.00pm till 4.00pm
Except the last meeting in the month :-
30th March : - 10.00am to 3.00pm
Contact Gill: 07748 908102

Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th March 2026

LINE DANCING 7.00pm till 9.00pm
Contact Margot: 07902 293358
(Every week)

Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March 2026

ART GROUP 1.00pm till 3.00pm
(Every week)

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!
(We can help with advice and provide some equipment)
Contact Pam: 07947 108184

Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March 2026 (Main Hall)

SHORT MAT BOWLS 7.00pm till 9.00pm
WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW PLAYERS!
All Welcome, beginners especially, all equipment supplied. Please come and have a go, this is Social Bowling!
Contact Peter: 07885 081993
(Every week)

Fridays

Vacant for Activities or Social Events.
If you wish to book the Hall for any other dates, then please:-
Contact Rod: 07748 755607

SOCIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH

Saturday 14th and 28th March 2026 (Main Hall/Every Fortnight)

LIBRARY and COFFEE MORNING
10.30am till 12.00pm

Contact: See **FACEBOOK: - Foxholes Community Hall**
(Every 2 x weeks)

All Welcome - Come and meet old or new Friends in our comfortable surroundings.

Saturday 21st March 2026
(Main Hall/Once a month)

FELLA'S AT FOXHOLES MEN'S GROUP 9.30am till 11.00am
(Coffee, Bacon Sandwiches and Convivial Chat) £5.00
(Monthly)

Contact Rod: 07748 755607

Saturday 28th March 2026

FOXHOLES PUB NIGHT
From 6.30pm till 11.00pm
Contact Ann:- 07798 4765393
(Licensed Bar, Food available)
All Welcome

Saturday 14th March 2026

FOXHOLES COMMUNITY HALL 'OPEN DAY'

From 10.30am till 12.30 approx.

**COME ALONG AND SEE WHAT IS ON OFFER AT OUR WONDERFUL FACILITY.
EVERYONE WELCOME**

Watch out for further details via Facebook, Posters and Flyers etc.



COFFEE MORNING

**Saturday 14th March
10am to 11.30am.**

**FOL Coffee Mornings take place on the 2nd Saturday of the month.
Please note there is no Coffee Morning in December.**



**Please come along and join us in
The Church Rooms, Church Lane, Langtoft.**

**We do toasted teacakes, crumpets and cakes,
tea, coffee, cappuccino and juice for the children.**

WHAT'S ON AT KILHAM VILLAGE HALL

Monday

Wolds' Crafters

Main Hall - 1.00pm to 4.00pm. The group leader is Mary Harris. (01377) 254172

Keep Fit Circuit Sessions - Main Hall - 7.00pm to 7.45 pm. Contact Alice Stark, Redefined Coaching. 07703 530518

Tuesday

Sapravarna Yoga classes

Main Hall - mornings (Term Time Only) from 9.15am to 10.30am.

The group leader is Mrs Helen Harris. 07813 66702
email: helenharryyoga@gmail.com

Womens Institute

Main Hall - second Tuesday of each month. Meetings are from 7.15pm to 9.00pm. Contact Christine Snowden
email: ces1951@hotmail.co.uk

Kilham Gardening Club

Main Hall - first Tuesday of the month, October to April. Meetings are from 7:30pm to 9:30pm.

Kilham Village Hall Trustees - Meeting Room - meetings 4 evenings a year from 7.30pm to 9.00pm.

Wednesday

Parents and Toddlers Playgroup

Main Hall - mornings from 09.30am to 11.15am. The group leader is Amy Clarkson
07500 069642

Tapestry Group

Meeting Room - held on the last Wednesday of each month from 10.00am to 12.00pm. The group leader is Sheila Littlewood (01262) 420381

All Saints Community Teas - held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 12:30pm - all welcome.

Outreach Post Office - Meeting Room - from 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Keep Fit Circuit Sessions - Main Hall 7.00pm to 7.45 pm. Contact Alice Stark, Redefined Coaching. 07703 530518

Knitting Group

Main Hall - evenings from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. The group leader is Jenny Gilmartin 07857 458342

Thursday

Indoor Bowls

Main Hall - October to March 2.00pm to 4.00pm. The group leader is Tim Marshall
email: bike1588@hotmail.com

Rainbows

Meeting Room - evenings from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. The group leader is Sue Dennis
email: sdennis917@btinternet.com

Brownies

Main Hall - evening from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. The group leader is Michelle Keyes.
email: kilhambrownowl@hotmail.com

Guides

Meeting Room - evening from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. The group leader is Claire Dennis.
email: clairebell2112@gmail.com

Rangers

Main Hall - evening from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. The group leader is Katherine Phipps. email: katehipps7@hotmail.com

Friday

Outreach Post Office - Meeting Room - from 9:00am to 12:00am

Sapravarna Yoga classes

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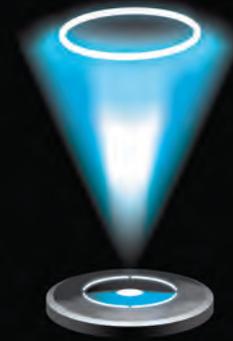


Saturday 28th March 2026
6.30pm - 11.00pm
(Main Hall)

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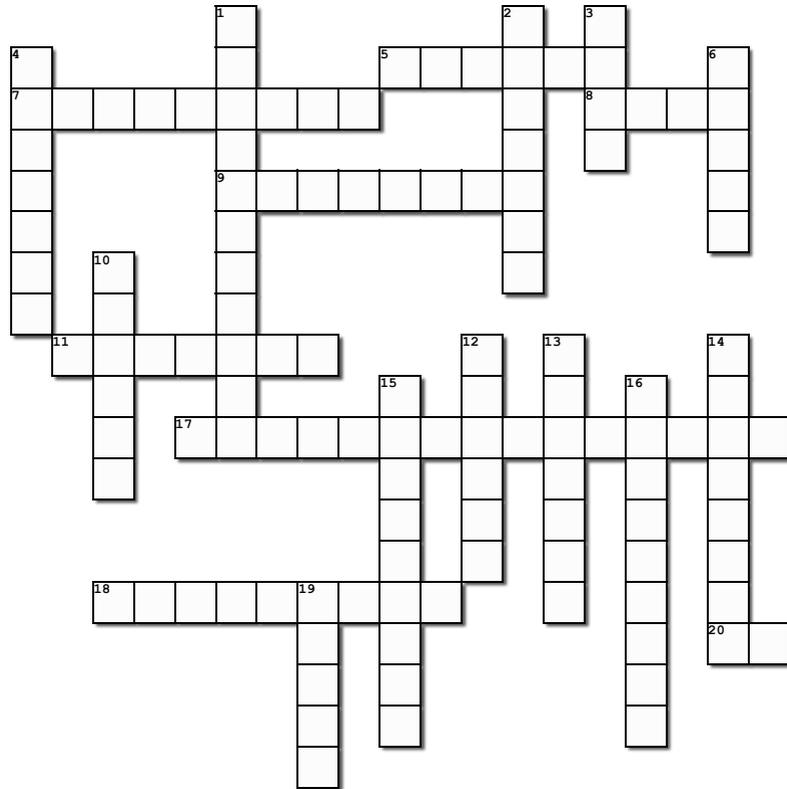
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THE PUZZLE PAGES

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD. SOLUTION ON PAGE 30.



ACROSS

- 5. Continent where the Sahara is (6)
- 7. Location of the Great Barrier Reef (9)
- 8. Capital of Italy (4)
- 9. Civilization associated with the Pyramids (8)
- 11. Traditional Japanese art of paper folding (7)
- 17. Creator of the Mona Lisa (8,2,5)
- 18. A three dimensional work of art (9)
- 20. The chemical symbol for Gold (2)

DOWN

- 1. Author of 'Romeo and Juliet' (11)
- 2. Ship that famously sank in 1912 (7)
- 3. The Red Planet (4)
- 4. The largest ocean on Earth (7)
- 6. Organ that pumps blood (5)
- 10. The gas that plants absorb (6)
- 12. String instrument played with a bow (6)
- 13. The hardest natural substance (7)
- 14. Monarch who reigned for 63 years, Queen -? (8)
- 15. Famed astronaut, Neil -? (9)
- 16. Mountain range that includes Everest (9)
- 19. Capital city of Japan (5)

WORDSEARCH - MUSICALS

Can you find these 15 famous musicals in the grid? They can go forward, backward or diagonally! Solution on page 30.

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| MY FAIR LADY | SWEENEY TODD | CHICAGO |
| THE LION KING | CATS | MAMMA MIA |
| HAIRSPRAY | WEST SIDE STORY | HAMILTON |
| CABARET | CHESS | GUYS AND DOLLS |

THWING TIMETABLE

Thwing is served by the 524 bus service, on Wednesdays to Bridlington and Fridays to Driffield (timetable attached). It's been running to this timetable since East Hull Community Transport took over the service in September 2023.

Service 524 Driffield – Burton Fleming – Bridlington

(Wednesday & Friday) Operated by: East Hull Community Transport

Days	Wed	Fri	Days	Wed	Fri
Bridlington (Bus Station)	1300	...	Driffield (George Street)	...	1300
Boynton	1315	0930	Ruston Parva	0930	1310
Rudston	1320	0935	Kilham	0935	1315
Burton Fleming	1330	0945	Thwing	0940	1320
Wold Newton	1335	0950	Wold Newton	0945	1325
Thwing	1340	0955	Burton Fleming	0950	1330
Kilham (Church)	1345	1000	Rudston	1000	1340
Ruston Parva	1350	1005	Boynton	1005	1345
Driffield (George Street)	...	1015	Bridlington (Bus Station)	1020	...

Service 535 Driffield – Sledmere – Driffield

(Tuesday & Thursday) Operated by: East Hull Community Transport

Days	Tue/Thur	Tue/Thur
Driffield (Middle Street South)	0910	1140
Little Driffield (Downe Arms)	0914	1144
Garton (Memorial)	0919	1149
Wetwang (Post Office)	0928	1158
Fridaythorpe (Pond)	0935	1205
Fimber (Pond)	0938	1208
Sledmere (EY Memorial)	0945	1215
Garton (Memorial)	0952	1222
Little Driffield (Downe Arms)	0957	1227
Driffield (Middle Street South)	1001	1231

THE RECIPE BOOK

SPRING LEMON HERB CHICKEN WITH ASPARAGUS & PEAS

Bright, clean flavours, with minimal heaviness. Feels good after you eat it!

Ingredients (Serves 4):

- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1 bunch fresh asparagus, trimmed
- 1 cup fresh or frozen peas
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- Zest and juice of 1 large lemon
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tsp Dijon mustard
- 1 tsp honey
- 1 tsp salt
- ½ tsp black pepper
- 2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
- 1 tbsp chopped fresh dill (optional but great)



Essential kit:

Casserole dish

Method:

Preheat oven to 180°

Make the marinade by mixing together lemon, honey, lemon zest, Dijon mustard, garlic, salt and pepper. The recipe says three small cloves of garlic. That's too much for me and I use one!

I always sear my chicken in a pan with some oil until brown.

Place chicken in a casserole dish, pour half the marinade over the chicken. Put the asparagus and peas (I put shredded cabbage in too sometimes) around the chicken and pour the remaining half of the marinade over it.

Bake until chicken is done, depending on size. Around 35 to 40 minutes.

Sprinkle fresh parsley and dill over the dish. Serve with rice, quinoa or anything you fancy really.

Don't forget you can adapt any part of this recipe! A light spring like dish.

Recipe courtesy of Ann Clark, Foxholes

GARDENING WITH HEDGEHOGS IN MIND

Spring will soon be here and our prickly friends will be coming out of hibernation feeling very hungry after their long sleep.

With our gardens needing attention please watch out for nocturnal visitors. Every Spring brings hedgehogs coming to the rescue with injuries caused by our garden activities. We would suggest the following advice will help avoid these problems.

Overgrown lawns, long grass and wild patches. Strimmers and Mowers can mutilate sleeping hedgehogs and other wildlife that often nest in these areas. Please check before clearing.

Pea, Football and Tennis Netting keep 1ft off the ground so hedgehogs can go underneath. Otherwise the hogs prickles get stuck in the netting and the more they struggle to get away the more tangled they become, often stuck for days before being found.

Ponds need escape routes. Hedgehogs can swim but need a gradual slope or ladder on the edge in order to climb out.

Bags of garden waste left open overnight on the ground will also attract hedgehogs who may try nesting then they get put in the dust cart with no escape.

Compost are also ideal places for nesting and rearing young, please take care when turning as one thrust of a fork can kill baby hedgehogs,

Garage and shed doors that have been left open for some days, please check for hedgehogs before closing. Also we get calls when sheds and wooden seating areas are being dismantled exposing a nest with mum and babies, best if dismantling can be left till October when mum and hoglets have normally moved on.

If you wish to encourage hedgehogs into your safe garden you can provide dry kitten biscuits in a feeding station or a place where cats cannot get the food. Ensure there is always fresh drinking water available.

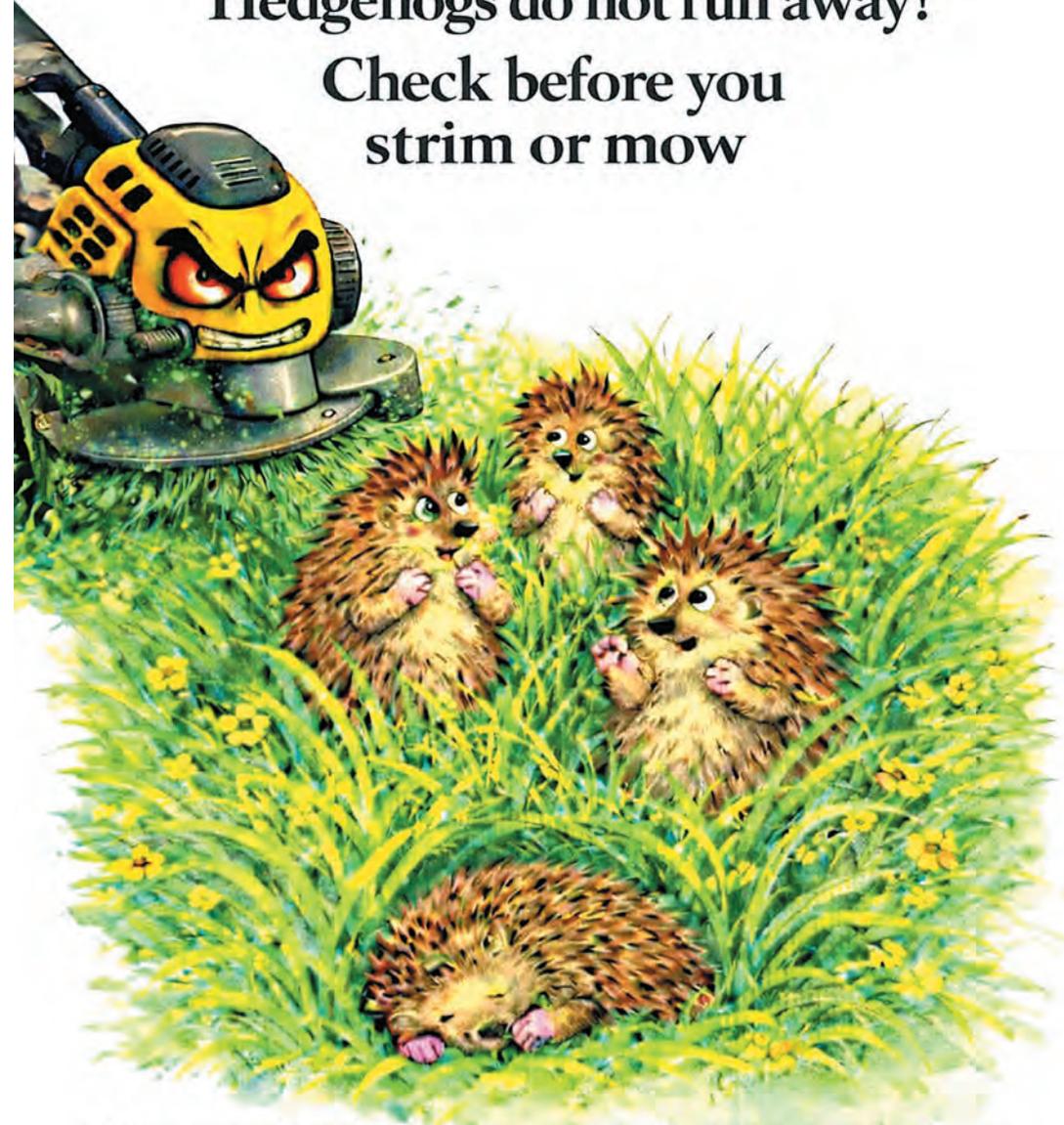
Any help or further information you would like regarding hedgehogs, please contact your local hedgehog rescue at Langtoft where we will be happy to help.

East Yorkshire Hedgehog Rescue

Jo at Langtoft 07717 552624

Ruth at Flamborough 07941 314459

Hedgehogs do not run away! Check before you strim or mow



A snoozing hedgehog may be hidden below



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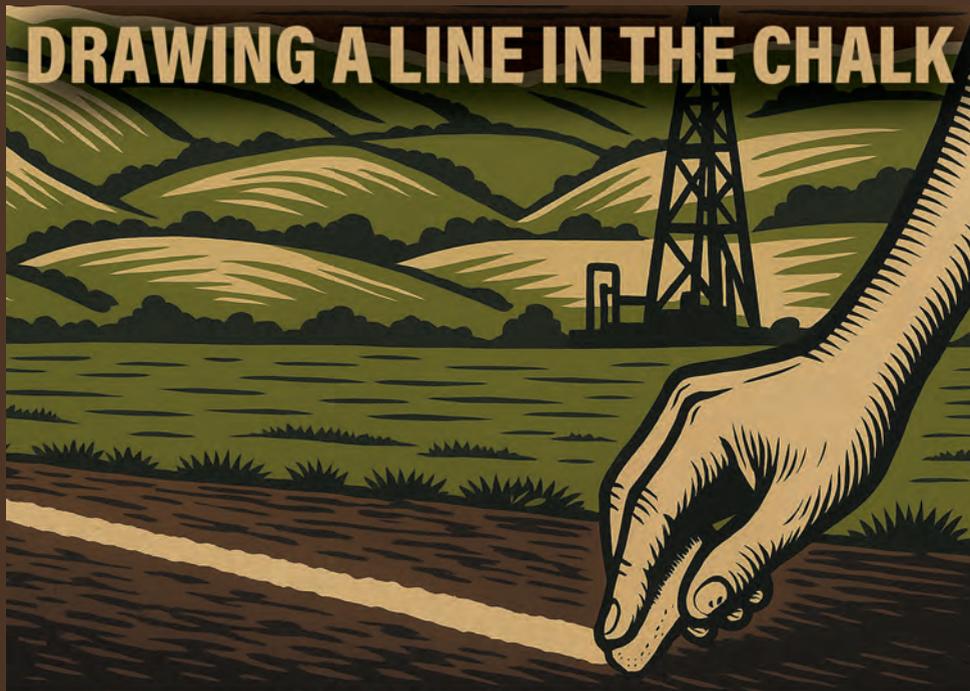


"We had a gathering at The Anvil Arms following my mum's funeral this week. The buffet food was amazing, and the pub was lovely and cosy with a woodburner going. Lovely atmosphere. Thank you Neil and Karen and staff. Lots of the guests commented on how impressed they were and that they will be back, as will we."

"I had the most wonderful afternoon visiting with a friend for lunch, The Anvil Arms is a must, great food, lovely staff, beautiful setting, so warm and cozy, definitely worth a visit, cant wait to go back and try the Sunday roast."



To book please call us on 07802 466606



#LINEINTHECHALK

A planning application has been submitted to **drill straight through a principal chalk aquifer**, north of Butt Lane, Foxholes, which is **a vital source of clean drinking water for 900,000 people** across the region, all in the search for gas.

Please support our request for a deferral of determination

Proposed changes to National Planning Policy Framework Planning Regulations (NPPF) are open to consultation by the Government until March 10th.

The proposed changes to the NPPF includes, removing the requirement for decision makers to give “great weight” to the economic benefits of onshore oil and gas developments when considering planning applications. This requirement has benefitted energy companies for decades. Proposed changes may tip the balance back towards communities.

Drawing a Line in the Chalk has submitted a request for deferral.

Please support us by copying the message opposite and e mailing it to: planning.control@northyorks.gov.uk

Subject: Planning Application Ref: NY/2025/0113/FUL

Dear Sir or Madam

I write as a local resident and campaigner to request a deferral of decision on the above planning application by Egdon Resources UK Ltd for gas exploration drilling at Foxholes.

My request is grounded in national planning policy, emerging changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), and the statutory context of climate change, all of which weigh heavily against the grant of consent.

Conflict with national climate policy and emerging NPPF changes:

The proposal is fundamentally inconsistent with the UK’s statutory climate commitments and the Government’s clear policy direction away from new fossil fuel extraction.

Friends of the Earth recently wrote to North Yorkshire Council in relation to a comparable onshore gas application (letter dated 18 December 2025, planning ref. NY/2025/0030/ENV), highlighting proposed changes to the NPPF. These changes remove the assumption that mineral extraction should be afforded “great weight” and instead require decision-makers to properly consider climate impacts and the need to reduce dependence on fossil fuels.

Although that correspondence relates to a different application, the policy arguments are directly relevant to Egdon’s Foxholes proposal. Emerging national policy is a material consideration and may be afforded significant weight where it goes to the heart of a proposal. In this case, the proposed revisions to mineral and fossil fuel policy are fundamental in nature and directly applicable.

Determining this application under a policy framework that the Government is actively seeking to revise would be premature, unsound, and potentially vulnerable to legal challenge.

Given the scale and imminence of proposed changes to national planning policy on fossil fuels, there is a clear and lawful basis for deferring determination of this application until the revised NPPF is adopted.

Proceeding now risks granting consent under an outdated policy framework that the Government itself acknowledges is in flux, particularly in relation to fossil fuel extraction. Such an approach would expose the Council to unnecessary risk and undermine public confidence in sound decision making.

Conclusion

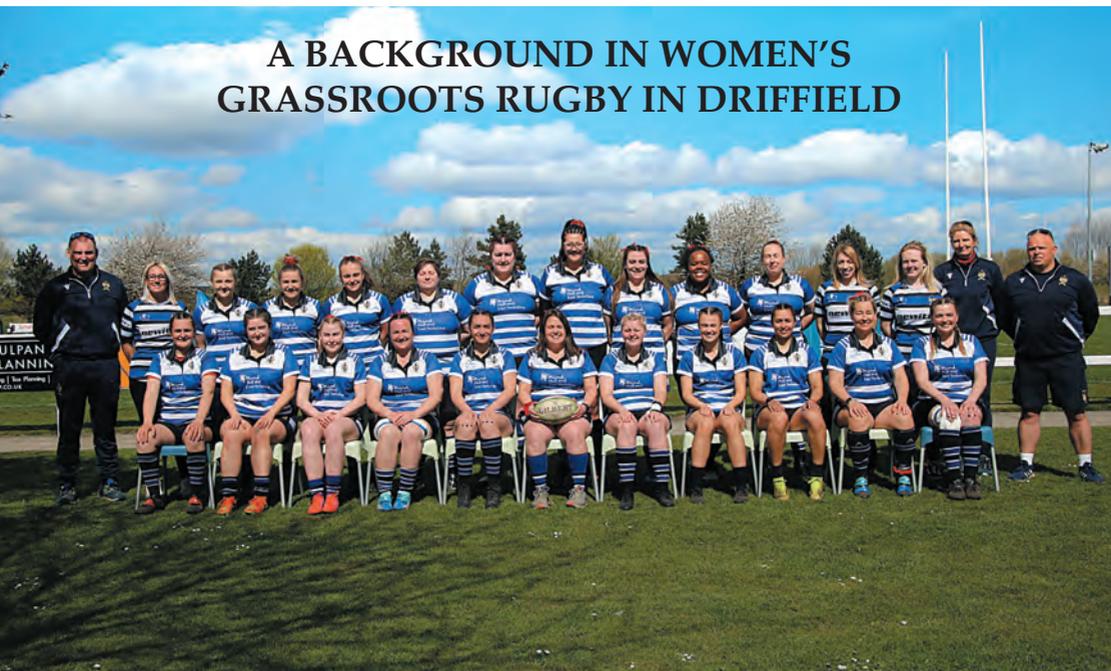
The emerging national policy position, provides strong grounds for deferral of this application, pending adoption of the revised NPPF.

For these reasons, I urge North Yorkshire Council to defer planning permission for application NY/2025/0113/FUL.

Yours faithfully,

THE RISE OF THE WOLDSWOMEN

A BACKGROUND IN WOMEN'S GRASSROOTS RUGBY IN DRIFFIELD



In 2016, a small group of local women joined together to play touch rugby at Driffield RUFC. The idea was simple- give local women and girls a place to play rugby, enjoy fitness, create a community and be part of a supportive team. The team has grown from strength to strength making this vision a reality, progressing rapidly through the leagues, and now, almost a decade later, they compete in Championship 2, tier 3 rugby, recognised as the most successful women's club level rugby union team in East Yorkshire. Promotions didn't come easy- this required long evenings at training sessions, early Sunday starts, an impressive tolerance for mud and a lot of life choice questioning!

The Woldswomen's growth has provided the opportunity to boast a second team, competing well at National Challenge 3 level, ideal for beginners, the "semi-retired", returners and girls transitioning into senior rugby. Beyond the senior squad, the girl's pathway is one of the best in the area with teams at U12, U14, U16 and U18, regularly competing and drawing school age girls into the game, backed with the opportunity to grow through the sections onto the senior stage, reflecting years of building from the ground up.

Last season, the club hosted a senior Women's Yorkshire County fixture at Kelleythorpe for the first time, with several Woldswomen featuring in the team and



one scoring a try on home soil. A very proud day showcasing the growth, support and talent nurtured.

The rise of women's rugby at Driffield also highlights some of the challenges women in sport still face. Across grassroots rugby, women can confront limited access to resources, less budgets and funding, fewer coaching opportunities and less media coverage. Growth depends heavily on volunteering, fundraising and community support, and success and effort demands time and commitment from busy players and volunteers alike.

The Woldswomen passionately continue to break down barriers. They epitomise resilience, fostering a supportive and nurturing environment. Their rise has been fuelled by teamwork, dedication, and an alarming amount of post-match pies!

By Laura Harris

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COMMUNITY SPIRIT



So, Dry January has been and gone, New Years Resolutions have been broken and by the time you read this even February and the wonderful show of snowdrops will be at an end, and finally spring is just around the corner.

So a time for reflection?

Let's gather the moments that shaped you, the lessons that blindsided you, the things you finally admitted you hate, and the tiny joys and wins that made your day, made you smile, and kept you sane.

So make a brew, get comfy and wander back through the past year –

What is one thing you have done over the past 12 months that the future you would give a standing ovation for?
What's something you handled this year that proves you're far more capable than you give yourself credit for?
What's one thing you finally let go of, and why does life feel lighter without it?
What tiny every day joy keeps you sane?
What mattered far less than you thought it would?
When did you surprise yourself? And why?
When did you teach yourself your limits?
When did you say proudly "this is me"?

You don't have to share your answers, but it would be great if you did, after all that is what friends and community are all about.

So, next edition!!!!

Sandra Morrison, The Grange Thwing.

Fun Village Quiz & Raffle

First Thursday of every month
From 7:30pm
Wold Newton Community Hall, Front Street
Teams of up to 4 - £3 per player
Bring your own refreshments
Donations of raffle prizes gratefully accepted

A Thwing & Octon Amenities Group event
Raising funds for the East Wolds Community Newsletter

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The last Saturday
of every month
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THWING & OCTON PARISH COUNCIL - ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Join us for our Annual Parish Meeting on the 9th April at 7:00pm
The Reading Rooms, Thwing, YO25 3DU

All residents are warmly invited to attend. This is your opportunity to:
Share feedback, ideas and suggestions.
Raise any concerns or requests.

Hear about the Council's plans and priorities for the coming year.
We are also still seeking suitable land for a village play area.
If you own land or know of a potential site that may be suitable, please get in touch.
We would love to hear from you.

Upcoming Parish Council Meetings

9th March - 7:15pm 13th April - 7:15pm

Both meetings will be held at the Reading Rooms, Thwing.
We look forward to seeing you there!

All enquiries to the Clerk: clerk@thwingandocton-pc.gov.uk

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD SOLUTION:

ACROSS

5. Africa
7. Australia
8. Rome
9. Egyptian
11. Origami
17. Leonardo Da Vinci
18. Sculpture
20. Au

DOWN

1. Shakespeare
2. Titanic
3. Mars
4. Pacific
6. Heart
10. Carbon
12. Violin
13. Diamond
14. Victoria
15. Armstrong
16. Himalayas
19. Tokyo

WORDSEARCH SOLUTION:

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