

# VILLAGE NEWS

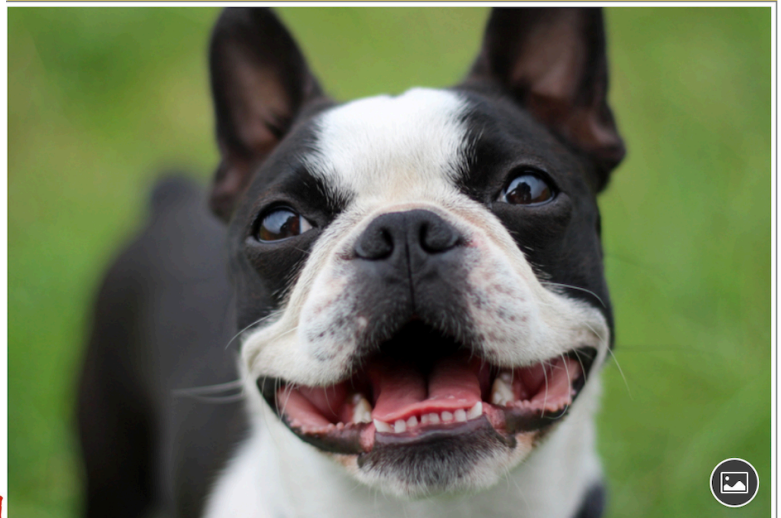
**HUNTON PARISH COUNCIL - website: [huntonpc.org](http://huntonpc.org)**

## Village Workday

Thank you to all those who turned out to volunteer to help with the annual workday tasks. Your efforts help us to keep the village looking cared for and well maintained.

Without the help of John and Ian Tunstall, providing trailers, the Parish Council would face large bills and logistical problems in maintaining the amenity areas. Thank you.

## WANTED! Hunton Parish Councillor(s)



Hunton Parish Council comprises five volunteer councillors. It is supported by a volunteer clerk and treasurer, as well as an annual auditor.

**We need younger residents than us to step up and take up the baton. There will be more councillors stepping down in 2027 and these roles will also need to be filled.**

Without new people, the control of the council would, at least in the short term, revert to North Yorkshire Council.

**MARCH 2025, THERE WILL BE A VACANCY**, when Robert Wyatt steps down after 14 years service.

We also need volunteer clerking support.

**Any councillor will be very happy to explain the workings of the Parish Council in more detail, if you would like to volunteer. To contact the PC go to [huntonpc.org](http://huntonpc.org).**

## Christmas Luxury Hamper

**Farm Fresh Local Turkey**  
value £50.00

Joint of Aberdeen Angus Topside Beef approx 1kg  
Chicken approx 1.4kg  
25 Pigs in Blankets  
1 pkt pork, leek & cranberry sausage meat 500g  
1 pkt prime back bacon 200g  
1 pack of prime streaky bacon 200g  
Potts Gravy 350g  
chestnuts & cranberry sauce

Christmas pudding  
After dinner mints  
Christmas crackers

Bottle of white wine  
Bottle of red wine

**Tickets £3.00 each**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE COUNTRYMAN'S**

**Draw date 6th December 2024**

Hamper available to collect from the Countryman's on 21st December.

*Please note no items can be exchanged for cash*

## Sandbags and Grit

Sandbags are available at the cinder house on the quoits pitch, behind the village hall and at the store on the Leyburn Rd/Hauxwell turning. **Please return after use as they degrade in daylight.** Three grit bins in the village have been refilled by NYC and grit piles are in place on access roads into the village. These are for village use, on the highway.



## Hunton in Bloom

### Gold Award - Yorkshire in Bloom

Congratulations to the Hunton in Bloom team for this brilliant achievement.

## PC updates

### Tree maintenance

Following the removal of one damaged weeping willow, (these have a short healthy lifespan of around 40-50 years), we have commissioned a professional tree audit, with the aim of managing the large trees on the amenity area, to ensure their health and the safety of residents and visitors using the green spaces. That survey forms the basis for future management. We have created an annual contingency budget from the precept for future maintenance work.

## Panto

# CINDERELLA

Evening performances  
23rd, 24th 25th January 2025

Matinée performance  
Sat 25th January 2025

## Countryman's CCPS Steering Board

**Are you passionate about keeping the Countryman's Inn at the heart of our community? Would you like to invest in a unique and exciting project?**

If so, we are looking for new members to join our society, The Countryman's Community Pub Society, and become part of something special! As a member, you'll have a voice in the pub's future, whilst also helping to secure the pub as a thriving community asset. For more details on how to become a member, please visit [countrymanscommunity.org/shares](http://countrymanscommunity.org/shares) or speak to any member of the management committee.

## Flooding, Arrathorne junction

The PC has been working through the Spring and Summer with the landowner and officers from North Yorkshire Council Highways Area 1. This has involved site visits with all parties, to identify and resolve outstanding issues after initial remedial work was carried out earlier in the year. Highways Area 1 has recently been able to confirm that the final work is now scheduled by the end of the year, to connect drainage from the south side of the junction to existing drainage on the adjacent land. Hopefully, this will finally resolve the flooding of the road junction.

## 20's Plenty initiative

### The Parish Council has received the following update:

*'Just to confirm it is still the intention to consult and advertise the intention to introduce 20mph speed limits on certain sections of the roads in the village. The first part of the process will involve formal details being sent to various organisations, such as parish councils, and to those properties within the sections of road in question, for comment, and it is hoped to do this early the New Year.'* **NYC Highways, Area 1**



## Wildlife areas

We have hand cleared all three areas, to avoid disturbing wildlife. There are frogs and toads in the two areas by the beck, preparing to dig in for winter under old logs and vegetation.

We have planted daffodils in Phase 1 by Captain's Bridge and in Phase 2 behind the carpark, and spread some more annual seed., though Phase 2 is more suited to perennials (see photo). We hope to fundraise in the Spring - details later.

Jan, Wendy, Steve.