Hair today, gone tomorrow! To see why Rebecca cut off her long tresses, see page 18.
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Dates for your Diary (See page 10 for regular weekly VH events)

August
13  7.15pm Gardening Club in VH
20  7.30pm Film Club Husthwaite VH

September
8  12-2 Orchard Village Club
8  7.30pm Parish Council Meeting in VH
10 7.15 Gardening Club in VH
11 7.30pm  Quiz Night in VH
12 7pm Baxbyfest  at The Hideaway Baxby Manor
13 11-3pm Village Market in Husthwaite VH
17 7.30 Film Club in VH
26 7pm Wine Tasting in VH

October
5  12-2pm Book Exchange and Appletree Cafe
30 7.30pm North Country Theatre “Gift of Stones” HVH

The next edition of the Newsletter is due out around 1st October
Neighbourhood Watch News

After the village and the local Association AGMs, the pleasing news is that crime is generally less in North Yorkshire in the last few months though anti-social behaviour is increasing. In Easingwold children under 10 are now more often found behaving badly; parents need to be aware of where their children are to protect them and-sadly-also to protect their neighbours.

Please consult your NHW co-ordinator if you have a problem with this or any other non-urgent police matter, or call 101 and report your anxiety to the police service.

Husthwaite co-ordinators are:

Malcolm and Margaret Wride : Kay's Bank and Gibbet Hill
Carol Fenwick : East View and South side of High Street
Stephen Barker : North High Street
Lindsey Walker and Jane Maloney : North Low Street
Alan McDougall : South Low Street
Cameron Smith : bottom of The Nookin
Jill Galloway : rest of The Nookin and Highthorne Lane.

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Remember: we are lucky to live in a very safe neighbourhood.

Jill Galloway (Chairman Husthwaite HNW)
Husthwaite Village Autumn Market

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Come and visit our market, as featured on Radio Yorks ‘Finders Keepers’ programme.

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Meet Our New MP

It didn’t take Kevin Hollinrake long to make his maiden speech in the House of Commons. Our newly elected MP, who lives in Husthwaite, said, ‘I paid tribute to my predecessor, Anne McIntosh and I spoke about this area. I am particularly concerned to work for investment in rural areas such as this. We need to develop the A64 and we need improvements to our rail services. We’re lucky in Husthwaite to have a good internet connection, but there are parts of the constituency which have no service at all. This is difficult for businesses such as farming which are increasingly dependent on getting a good signal.

I’d also like to see government work with business to make sure over time that the minimum wage rises to meet the then current level of the living wage. We are a prosperous country and everybody should get a decent standard of living.’

I met Kevin at the summer market in the Village Hall, where he introduced me to Gaby, the youngest of his three daughters. She goes to Crayke School, and her sisters, Bella (aged 11) and Maddy (16) are at the high school in Easingwold.

‘I think it’s important for the kids to go to the local school,’ Kevin said. ‘It’s where they make friendships for life. I was born in Easingwold and I went to the local schools. For 5 years I was a governor at Easingwold High School. ‘

I asked Kevin whether he thought being an MP should be a full-time job. ‘It can be part-time,’ he said. ‘The only principal pressure is from the whips to turn up and vote. For me it’s more than full-time. This is the hardest I’ve ever worked.’

Kevin catches the 7 or 8am train to London on Mondays and returns on Thursday night’s last train. ‘Fridays and weekends are for my work in the constituency. It’s a huge area, stretching from Filey on the coast to the top of Rosedale, through the Howardian Hills to Malton and Thirsk. It’s a beautiful area. It’s a nice feeling when I get on that Thursday night train that I’m going back home.’

At the pre-election hustings in Husthwaite Village Hall candidates were asked what could be done to help local businesses. ‘Government does give them some help but, you know, it’s up to the people who live here to support local businesses by making use of their services.’

One last glimpse of Kevin’s vision for communities such as ours: ‘There are already driverless cars. In future it won’t be necessary to clutter villages and town squares with traffic. You’ll Google your requirements and a car will arrive to collect you from your door.’

Kevin Hollinrake is the Conservative MP for Thirsk and Malton. He was in conversation with Richard Wood.
#BaxbyFest returns to The Hideaway@Baxby Manor for 2015! 

Date for your diary is **Saturday the 12th of September**.

If you’ve not been before you have been missing a treat! (Ask those that HAVE been!)

We have Liza-Jane - The Hideaway’s very own Vintage Caravan serving up Pulled Pork & Brisket Brioche Rolls, Gourmet Hot Chocolates and much more!

Cameron Smith will also have a bar set up selling Husthwaite’s very own Galtres Cider! AND….there’s some fab acoustic music to be had too!

**It’s free to everyone who lives in Husthwaite so come on down!  Starts around 7pm.**

(Depending on the weather you might want to bring something to keep warm and/or dry, but for the last three years we have been very lucky and it has been warm (ish) and dry!

We do have a few campfires burning too to keep the chill off.

Hope to see you there.   

Barney & Holly Smith

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**DVD’s for Rent**

The Film Club meets the 3rd Thursday of every month and is building up a small but nice collection of DVD’s. By popular request, we are in the process of setting up a “DVD for Rent” scheme where DVD’s will be available to rent for a donation of up to £3 from a variety of sources; Film Club events, Book Exchange or by contacting Sheila direct. Any funds raised will go towards running the Film Club and the Village Hall.

In order to build up a decent sized library of DVD’s we are asking for donations of any unwanted DVD’s to add to our growing collection.

**DO YOU HAVE ANY UNWANTED DVD’S YOU WOULD BE HAPPY TO DONATE? IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT Sheila on 07836 721775 or e-mail me at [Sheila.mowatt@univar.com](mailto:Sheila.mowatt@univar.com).** Thank you!

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**Caring for the Carers**

Local businesses and charity support workers have worked together to organise a summer camping trip for Young Carers who need a well-deserved break from looking after their family members.

**Hambleton and Richmondshire Young Carers**, which is part of the Carers Centre registered charity based in Northallerton, is a support service for children and young people who have caring responsibilities for relatives in their home who are living with illnesses or disabilities. Their responsibilities often make it difficult for the children to enjoy normal childhood activities.

And local businesses were only too happy to support a fun two day break this week so that the Young Carers could enjoy barbeques, adventure playgrounds and camping, and even a mini trek through the countryside with alpacas.

Bluebird Care (Hambleton and Richmondshire), based in Thirsk, Morrisons supermarket and Olivia’s bakery, both in Northallerton, provided supplies for the trip, whilst the **Hideaway campsite and Beacon Alpacas, both based in Husthwaite**, donated tent pitches - and of course the alpacas!

And the young carers themselves raised £60 in a recent charity bag pack at Morrisons.

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Orchards of Husthwaite

Changes are coming to Orchards of Husthwaite, from the 1st September this year.
The fruit juice and cider making project which started in the village in 2009 has successfully made good use of apples from the old orchards in the village and planted many new trees as well. During that time it has given grants to many village activities like the village hall, the Orchard Village Club, making the new village notice board, the defibrillator, the new porch door for the church, the Primetime project and the Husthwaite Newsletter.

Now the fruit processing and grant giving operations are being split from each other.

Cameron Smith will take over the production and selling side and the equipment which goes with it. He will buy out these assets over the next four years under a contract agreed with the present committee. He will also continue to buy apples from the village. More details of how that will work are set out below.

The fund for community projects in Husthwaite (which is likely to be close to £20,000) will be handed over to a trust consisting of Jane Maloney, Jim Murray, Erik Seaman, Andrew Coulthard and Cameron Smith, who will continue to respond to applications for grants over the coming years, until the current funds are exhausted.

This year’s apple crop

This year is going to produce a big apple crop. Orchards of Husthwaite will continue to pay for apples delivered to the cider mill on set days and whoever brings them can choose from the following options-

- Take the value of the apples in cash
- Donate the value to one of the following causes:
  - The village hall
  - The Youth Club
  - A Children’s Hospice
  - The food bank collection

So, if you have apples to press, let me know in advance and I will arrange a time for them to be dropped off. The advance notice allows me to be sure we have space to take them, log the batch and arrange for payment.

Cameron Smith
Weekly Regulars

**Short Mat Bowls:** Monday’s 7.00-9.00pm  
**Zumba:** Thursday’s 9.15-10.15am  
**Primetime:** Re-starts on September 11th on Friday’s 10.00am-12.00pm  
**Little Pippins Music Club:** Re-starts on September 10th Thursday’s at 2.00pm  
**Youth Club:** Alternate Wednesday’s at 7.00pm (Aug 12th & 26th, Sept 9th & 23rd) FREE

Monthly Usuals

**Orchard Village Club:** Returns September 8th 12.00pm to 2.00pm  
**Book Exchange & Apple Tree Café:** Returns in Oct following a well-earned break for our Volunteers  
**Quiz Night:** Returns on Friday 11th September at 7.30pm  
**Film Club:** Thursday 20th August & 17th September at 7.30pm  
**Gardening Club:** Thursday 13th August & 10th September at 7.15pm

Upcoming Events

**Husthwaite Village Autumn Market** - Sunday 13th September 11am to 3pm:  
As featured on Radio York, Finders Keepers programme! Over 25 indoor and outdoor stalls supporting local traders. Tasty local produce, a collection of quality arts, crafts and beauty stalls. Even an appearance by Husthwaite’s very own alpacas! The Apple Tree Café will be serving up delicious home-made hot and cold food and beverages. FREE entry.

**Wine Tasting on 26th September at 7.00pm.** Back by popular demand. An evening of tasting some fabulous wines from around the world and learning a bit more about what makes them look and taste so good. Alternatively, fine wine, local cheeses and great company, what’s not to love?

Did you know **Husthwaite Village Hall is available to hire**? This fantastic facility is perfect for parties, business and music events, small or large, main hall and smaller room available. Fully equipped modern kitchen, Big Screen, projector and state-of-the-art acoustics. For more details visit our website [www.husthwaitevillage.com](http://www.husthwaitevillage.com) or call 868117.
August 20th “The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel” Cert PG - As the Best Exotic Marigold Hotel has only a single remaining vacancy - posing a rooming predicament for two fresh arrivals - Sonny pursues his expansionist dream of opening a second hotel. Evelyn and Douglas have now joined the Jaipur workforce, Norman and Carol are negotiating the tricky waters of an exclusive relationship, and Madge juggles two eligible and very wealthy suitors. Perhaps the only one who knows all the answers is newly installed co-manager of the hotel, Muriel, the keeper of everyone’s secrets.

September 17th “The Falling” Cert 15 - It’s 1969 at a strict English girls’ school where charismatic Abbie and intense and troubled Lydia are best friends. After a tragedy occurs at the school, a mysterious fainting epidemic breaks out threatening the stability of all involved. Within the volatile, strange atmosphere of the school and her troubled home-life, Lydia feels driven to discover what is really behind everything that seems wrong. Eventually Lydia’s actions force old secrets to rise to the surface and she finds herself faced with a truth that she never expected.

Film Club takes place in Husthwaite Village Hall the 3rd Thursday of the month on our NEW Mega Size Screen. Film Starts at 7.30pm, bar open from 7pm.
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AUGUST
Yorkshire Day Dinner Sat 1st August
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SEPTEMBER
Saturday 5th at 9pm
Graham Hunter - (known as guitarist to Annie Lenox) is performing solo stuff for us live at the Fauconberg. Tickets are selling fast for this already so please ring for more info.

NOVEMBER
Friday 20th
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Husthwaite Local History Society.

Some years ago Cooper Harding, curator of Thirsk Museum gave a fascinating illustrated talk about William Peckitt’s brother Henry, also born in Husthwaite. Here is the text of that talk.

Henry Peckitt (1734-1808) – Apothecary and North Yorkshireman

The connection of the PECKITT family with Husthwaite can be traced to the end of the seventeenth century when they were running a prosperous business there trading in leather, more particularly as glove-makers. At some point in the first half of the eighteenth century William PECKITT moved to York where he had a house in Davygate, dying there in 1776. A memorial stone in his name and that of his wife Ann can still be found just off the street.

There were six children from this marriage, all born in Husthwaite before the move to York. The two eldest sons, Thomas and George went to sea, but both died young and unmarried in foreign parts. Their elder sister Elizabeth made a good though decidedly late marriage at the age of fifty to a wealthy London grocer. The most famous of this PECKITT family was William, the third son. He became a glass painter and stainer, making a name for himself and receiving the Freedom of the City of York while still in his twenties. He is seen today as one of the chief revivers of the art of stained glass, being largely responsible for the 18th-century restoration of the glass in York Minster.

The youngest member of this family was Henry, born at Husthwaite on 14th July 1734 and brought up, like his brothers and sisters, in the home in Davygate. At some point, however, possibly to serve his apprenticeship as an apothecary, he moved to London where he was certainly resident by the 1760s.

The Society of Apothecaries was founded as early as 1617 but for long had a bitter struggle with the Physicians who disputed their right to prescribe drugs. Finally the battle was won by the Apothecaries who in 1722 were granted the right to inspect druggists’ shops and control the quality of drugs offered for sale. By the time Henry had established himself in London the apothecary, though ranking below the physician and the surgeon, was an important member of the medical profession, offering consultation and prescribing medical treatment without necessarily referring cases to the physician or surgeon. Apothecaries who served the rich and influential had every chance of rising in both wealth and social standing, and whether Henry Peckitt started his career in London or in York, it was in London that he made a name for himself.

By 1767 he was living in Soho which had not yet acquired the seedy reputation it was to have in later years. Close to the City with its business interests, to Westminster and the Court at St. James’s, to the fashionable quarter of Mayfair and the London homes of some of the great families, this was where Henry Peckitt set up his business as an apothecary and he obviously prospered.
His success was helped along by a judicious marriage to a lady of property, Mary Watkins, possessed in her own right of an estate in Gloucestershire and of considerable invested funds. The couple were married on 28th March 1767 in the parish church of Soho, St. Anne’s, and made their home round the corner at 50 Old Compton Street.

Peckitt himself says little about his professional career, but he seems to have served as an apothecary to George III, though whether this “By Appointment” claim means that he attended on the King in person or simply supplied the royal household is not clear.

In addition to his professional skills, Henry Peckitt was well versed in classical studies. He knew Latin, Greek and Hebrew, while his studies included history, philosophy and theology. The death of his wife Mary marks a turning point in his life. There had been no children and while Henry had a life interest in her substantial estate, there was no inheritance. His thoughts seem to have turned more and more to the nature of the personality and the immortality of the soul. In this he was much influenced by the teachings of the Swedish visionary Emmanuel Swedenborg concerning the spiritual universe in which the survival of any physical nature was irrelevant. In 1787 there was founded the Church of New Jerusalem with a congregation which held to Swedenborgian doctrines and Henry is found among its congregation.

In 1796, aged 62, Henry married for a second time. His new wife Sarah was much younger than her husband and bore him three children, Sarah in 1797, Sophia in 1799 and finally a son Henry in August 1801. All three children were baptised into the New Jerusalemite Church which flourished under its remarkable first Pastor, Manoah Sibly. Both of Henry’s daughters died in early childhood, leaving only his son to carry his name forward. Henry himself died on 17th January 1808. His will was read the following day and contained a remarkable clause –

“As to my mortal body, my Will is my Wife must please to admit a few of my religious Acquaintances to say any Service that they think proper in our Honor, and after the third Day deceased my Will is that it [his body] be delivered in a coffin, lapped in a Sheet or Blanket in a plain Hearse to the Anatomical Theatre in Windmill Street for the use of the younger Surgeons and Physicians and I hope it will be of use to living Generations and an example to medical Men that their Mortal parts may be of service to the living Generation”

This is the earliest example that I know of one’s body being left for medical research; this pre-Victorian “Donor Card” dates from the time of the dreaded “Resurrection Men” – the infamous case of Burke and Hare still twenty years away.

Henry left the bulk of his estate to his wife, in trust for his son. There are, though, certain items bequeathed outside the family. There is an old clock “Made by Jacob Zeck at Prague in 1525” which is to be presented to the Society of
Antiquaries. This is a famous clock which marks an important stage in the development of movements, being the first known example of a fusee movement. Among those present at the meeting of the Society at which Henry’s gift was officially received were Sir Joseph Banks, companion of Captain Cook on his voyage, and the celebrated astronomer Herschel. Henry’s letter to the Society concludes with his signature in Latin: Henricus PECKETT ex agro boreali Eboracensis Natus. – Henry PECKITT – North Yorkshireman!

A second bequest was of a book, the Liber Sancte Marie Rivall, a 12th century collection of manuscripts which was to be presented to “the Dean & Chapter of Saint Peter’s Cathedral, commonly called York Minster, to be deposited in their Library”

After some further notes on his bequest, Henry mentions his brother William’s work in stained glass in York Minster and elsewhere and notes that the arms of the PECKITTS are “Azure two bars Or and three bezants in Chief” – this coat of arms appears at the foot of the East window in Carlton Husthwaite church, presented there by the PECKITT family in the 1880s.

At this point Henry’s will branches off into reminiscence of Rievaulx Abbey ruins and Squire Duncombe’s terrace and banqueting house, the Hambleton race-course and a rhinoceros on show in the yard of a York inn. Picking up his testamentary duties, Henry sets up trusts in favour of his seven-year-old son, hoping “that he will be a good Boy and obedient to his mother”. With investments then valued at about £6000 and worth ten times that today, the young Henry was certainly assured of a very comfortable inheritance.

Henry Peckitt’s widow Sarah married again to a Charles Jenkins. She died in 1816 and Charles died five years later, leaving the young Henry Peckitt junior still a minor, his funds managed by Guardians. He had been put to school in Greenwich and went on to Trinity College, Cambridge, from which he emerged as a B.A. in 1824, and an M.A. in 1827.

In 1832 he married Sophia Abigail Turner who brought him further wealth and property and he returned to the land of his forebears, setting up home in Carlton Husthwaite in the house which he later extended and named Carlton Hall. He was a leading figure in the district and with a large family – five sons and three daughters – he seems to have led a happy, mid-Victorian life. One son had a distinguished Army career, a grandson became a notable railway engineer and built railways in Egypt and the Sudan.

Henry died in 1884 at the age of 83. His widow died some eight years later. They both lie buried in the churchyard at Birdforth, but there is nothing to mark their grave. This seems to reflect Henry’s early Swedenborgian upbringing and his father’s belief that the body once cast off was of no further significance to the spiritual personality. I am sure, though, that like his father before him he could sign himself “Henry PECKITT – North Yorkshireman!

J. Cooper Harding 2015
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Hair Today Gone Tomorrow!

That’s exactly how it was on Monday 13th July for our daughter Rebecca, as you can see from the before and after shots on the front cover!

Rebecca had planned to have her hair cut off in aid of children suffering from leukaemia. This was inspired by our niece, Amy, who contracted leukaemia at the age of 5. She initially went through a 52 week treatment in hospital losing her hair along the way. Thankfully she is now 24 and fully recovered as those who attended the Husthwaite market in June will vouch for.

Rebecca hired a stall at the market and ran a tombola as well as collecting donations for her epic haircut. Due to the generosity of villagers, visitors to the market and family and friends, she raised an amazing £395.50. Easingwold School students have donated an additional £243.83.

A huge thank you to everyone that supported Rebecca by having a go on the tombola or sponsoring her!

The money donated so far will go to Children’s Oncology Ward at The Queen’s Medical Centre for the children still suffering from this disease, hopefully making their time in the hospital a bit more comfortable.

Due to this success, Rebecca has now set up a giving page to raise money for the Little Princess Trust. She has donated her hair to the Trust, all 4 plaits each measuring 35cm! This will be made into 2 wigs and given, free of charge, to a child who has lost their hair. It normally costs £350 for each wig, so Rebecca is trying to raise a further £350 so that an additional wig can also be purchased.

To those of you who have already supported Rebecca’s efforts a great big THANK YOU! To those of you who would still like to donate, please go to the link below (a free fundraising service) or drop any donations to Lynn at Lists House.

https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/rebeccacolton1

Just one more person to mention! WELL DONE REBECCA! For thinking of doing this in the first place, for being so brave to have the chop and for supporting such a fantastic cause and one that is so close to our hearts!

The Colton Family

See “before and after” pictures on the front cover
Jazz on a summer’s evening

We didn’t really know what we were going to get. If you had been to the Comic Opera for Children which the trio did here, earlier in the year, you knew that they would be brilliant musicians. And that there would be surprises.

It turned out to be an extraordinary evening.

**Katie Foster** plays the violin, has just finished studies at the Royal Northern College of Music and was in two national youth orchestras as well as leading the Edinburgh one. She is an immensely talented classical violinist but also, as she showed, she’s equally happy with jazz and folk.

**Ben Newton** (on the piano) is a successful composer, was the BBC Young Composer of the Year in 2005 and now is a musical director in the theatre, including working with Hull Truck Theatre Company. We knew from the comic opera they did before that he is at home in any musical genre.

**Pietro Lusvardi**, the leader, was born in Lugano, the Italian-speaking bit of Switzerland, and has worked with orchestras in many parts of Europe and the USA. His main instrument is the double bass which he plays beautifully, in the conventional way, and sometimes like a percussion instrument. Every inch an Italian speaker, he told us not to be fooled and that he was really Peter Rush from Rotheram. He teaches now at Ampleforth College.

It’s difficult to give a flavour of the music they played. There were sonatas by Vivaldi and Corelli that made you want much more of the same. But they were followed by tangos by Piazzolla that created an atmosphere of a dance hall in Buenos Aires. Pietro is a composer and wrote a prize winning piece to accompany “Gold Rush” the 1930’s Charlie Chaplin silent film. They did that for us and it was stunning. There were standards too. My favourite was “Fly Me To The Moon”.

The surprise at the end was that Pietro invited two guests from the audience up onto the stage. First was Oliver Pickstone (who had organised the whole event) and who plays jazz on the saxophone brilliantly and joined in with the trio. Later they were joined by Elliot Stewart on the guitar, at the beginning of his musical career and obviously very talented.

We didn’t know what to expect but the outcome was an unforgettable evening of the best music; an extraordinary mix of styles from different periods and all played magically well. You could tell from how the audience reacted that they loved it, right to the end.

Congratulations to Oliver for thinking of the event and making it happen. Thanks again to Mike Wells for good sound and to everyone who helped to make it work.

There’s talk now that they may come back to do a programme of Gershwin and Cole Porter. That would be good.

*Andrew Coulthard*
Husthwaite Parish Council

Summary of main items of Draft Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday July 14th at Husthwaite Village Hall

Present: C. Fenwick, E. Smith, B. Smith, P. Escreet, J. Coulthard (Clerk), C. Colton

1. Apologies: A. Gambles (on holiday), P. Fox (ill).

2. The minutes of the May meeting and Annual meeting were both approved and signed as true records.

3. Craig Colton was the only applicant for the vacant seat on the council, and his co-option as parish councillor was welcomed and unanimously agreed.

4. The village defibrillator cabinet is now fixed to the outer wall of the village hall. Training in how to use it will be available for anyone in the village.

5. Cllr Patmore has requested that the parking warden attends at the start and end of the primary school day to assess the situation caused by unsafe parking.

6. The PC is seeking guidance from the Community Safety Partnership on rules for CCTV installation, possibly on private property.

7. Hambleton DC have assured Cllr Patmore they intend to prepare an enforcement notice regarding an unauthorised development in Husthwaite.

8. The PC are seeking advice from NYCC Commons Registration on registering common land in the village.

9. The PC decided not to take action at present on joining the Local Council Award Scheme because of the costs involved.

10. Husthwaite PC have sent in objections to the Bus Service Review planned by NYCC. and suggestions on improving the service.

11. The footway in Low Street is on the list for repairs by Hambleton DC.

12. Housing Development Section 106 monies for open spaces could be devolved elsewhere in the area, so Husthwaite PC is investigating possible new development of open spaces in the village.

13. Planning matters: details of these can be seen on the village website.

14. Finance report: details are available on the village website.

15. A request from Sutton-under-Whitestonecliff to support a ban of HGVs from Sutton Bank was not supported., because of the likelihood of simply sending the problem elsewhere, through other villages.

16. Repairs to Elphin Bridge are complete. Surface dressing for Malton Street and The Nookin are still awaited.
I live in Coxwold, where we’re doing our best to publicise NYCC’s current consultation on proposals to cuts to bus subsidies. Husthwaite village residents will be hit hard in the same way as we will be here in Coxwold. Time is of the essence as the consultation deadline is 14 August. Here’s the gist of what is being proposed.

“NYCC is asking people to have their say on plans to cut the bus subsidy budget to just £1.5 million a year from next April. There is a public consultation on-going, before final decisions are taken in December this year. The plans could see services across the county facing drastic cuts. For example, the proposals include reducing the 31X service, which currently runs between York and Helmsley/Kirkbymoorside via Easingwold, from 24 return journeys a week to just three return journeys per week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday). The 31X route would no longer start and terminate at Exhibition Square in York, but instead at Tesco on Clifton Moor, where passengers would have to pick up another bus to access city centre shops, the railway station and so on. The proposed cuts to the 31X service will have severe consequences for bus users/residents living in villages beyond Easingwold, including Husthwaite, Coxwold, Wass and Ampleforth,

Details of the consultation are online at northyorks.gov.uk/bussubsidy; the deadline for responses is Friday, August 14. Information is also available by ringing 01609 780780 or emailing passenger.transport@northyorks.gov.uk. Please help get the message across to NYCC about the importance of the rural bus services to help maintain residents’ independence and access to social activities - not to mention environmental and sustainability reasons for using public transport.”

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NEWS FROM HUSTHWAITHE SCHOOL

As I write this article the children are at Church for the Leavers’ Assembly – it hard to believe that yet another academic year is drawing to a close and we fondly say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils and wish them well in the next stage of their educational life. The summer holidays give us all a chance to recharge our batteries and prepare for the new academic year in September.

A major change for the school this year has been the joint headship with Sessay School. This has proved to be highly successful and a positive move for the continuation and viability of both schools. Collaboration between schools is a growing trend and we are pleased to be a part of the future for education.

Reflecting back on the summer term the children really have been very busy. Some of the highlights are listed below:

The half-term started with a whole school writing exercise – children had to write a newspaper report on the excitement of the world record breaking attempts by teachers - Miss Goodchild – disco dancing; Mrs Heward – non-stop talking; Mrs Fowler – building the highest tower and Mr Sims – trampolining. Some interesting articles!

The whole school topic was ‘differing locality – London’. Children researched how London compared to their own environment, what the main differences were as well as finding out facts about London’s famous landmarks which KS2 children did using Google Sketch-Up

Y4/5 have been working on a new computing programme 'Lego Digital Designer' – which is proving to be very popular (and enjoyable!)

Sports week was a great success and children were able to try some new sporting activities include Boccia and Inclusive Zone Basketball (IZB).

This year the week also included a sponsored fun run and family BBQ with a star appearance from Gemma Magnusson (Britain’s Strongest Woman) – to date this event has raised approx. £750 – a big thank you to everyone who attended.

The school was represented at the Cluster Kwik Cricket and Rounders competitions
finishing as runners up and won the Athletics event.

Class 3 hatched some chicks and quickly learned they do not stay small for long!

The Year 6 end of school treat was a visit to the Forbidden Corner

The KS2 production ‘School Daze’ was a great success and received rave reviews from parents.

Class 3 have been working on our Wildlife Garden as well as designing graffiti art for some outdoor fence panelling.

We have welcomed new faces to our Toddler drop-in sessions and look forward to seeing more new toddlers next year.

Once again we are very proud of our Year 2 and Year 6 pupils who have performed well in this year’s Key Stage Tests (SATS) In Year 2, 87.5% of children showed that they were working at National Expectations (Level 2) in all subject with 25% reading, 12.5% writing and 37.5 % maths working above this level (level 3) In Year 6, 88.9% of children showed that they were working at National Expectation (level 4) in reading and maths and 100 % in writing, with 55% reading, 33% writing and 44% maths working above this level (level 5) We are also pleased to say that once again a number of children worked hard at the Level 6 curriculum throughout the year with 1 pupil achieving this level in maths. - a fantastic achievement. Well done and congratulations to all the children for their efforts. It is something to be really proud of. More detailed results will appear on the school website in due course www.husthwaite.n-yorks.sch.uk

Looking ahead to next term, children in Years 2, 3 and 4 will once again have weekly swimming lessons and Year 6 will participate in bikeability.

We shall also be busy preparing for our Open Day on Saturday 26th September. Everyone is welcome to come along between 10 am and 12 noon and meet the staff, have a go at some of the activities on offer and just generally take a look around and see what we do. There will also be refreshments on offer and we look forward to welcoming everyone into our
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Alison Gambles

Defibrillator training

A new defibrillator cabinet has now been fitted to the exterior wall of the village hall. A FREE 90 minute training session giving instructions on its use will be available in the near future for anyone in the village interested in learning how to perform this potentially life saving treatment. Please contact Barney Smith on 666079 if you want to take part in this useful training.

Diary dates

7th Sept – staff training day
8th Sept – school opens for autumn term
18th Sept – drop-in toddler morning 9-11am
26th Sept – Open morning 10-12 noon – everyone welcome
29th Sept – 6.30pm Fashion Show - tickets available from School office
14th Oct - drop-in toddler morning 9-11am
23 Oct – school closes for half term

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A Fantastic Opportunity

I have just had a brilliant experience at Hovingham Primary School recently.

My son Lorenzo (aged 11) and I spent the first two weeks of July in Husthwaite, where my friends the Coulthards live. Their granddaughter attends a local primary school in a nearby village, Hovingham, and the Head Teacher there agreed to have Lorenzo attend the last two weeks of the school term too.

Being a teacher myself, I was invited to go to school and do some teaching as well. We did many “hands-on-learning” activities related to Italy and the area we come from. Among them, the children learnt about how Michaelangelo painted the Sistine Chapel. Then the teacher stuck drawing paper to the underside of the children’s desks, and the children lay on the floor painting upwards like him! We also had an Italian Day, where everyone had to dress in green, white and red, and the school cook enthusiastically prepared an Italian meal.

Lorenzo was invited to Filey with the other children for a day at the seaside too, and to the end of term barbecue.

It has been an extremely positive experience for both my son and me. Lorenzo spent most of the time playing and picking up the language at the same time. He had also the opportunity to compare the habits of kids of his own age in England with those in Italy.

For myself, I really found the experience inspiring and challenging at the same time. It challenged my ideas about teaching, forcing me to find new strategies of how to teach in a more creative and practical way.

I am happy Lorenzo and I had this fantastic opportunity. He has grown and become more conscious of what is around him. I am going home with more experience and new ideas I will surely use in my classes in Italy.

Valentina Via
The Gift Of Stones: North Country Theatre Company

"The fabulous North Country Theatre Company return with their latest production, Gift of Stones by Jim Crace. Adapted for the stage and directed by Nobby Dimon.

The village of flint knappers is safe, self satisfied, and inward looking, but a stray arrow, an amputation, and a wild woman from the salt sea marshes bring murder, mystery and cataclysmic change. Narrated by a one-armed story teller and his daughter, in a language as pared down and flinty as their tools and weapons, Jim Crace's award-winning historical novel is brought to the stage by the company whose brilliant adaptations have ranged from the hilarious 39 Steps to the scary The Rocking Horse Winner, and most recently the deeply moving A Month in the Country.

Look out for posters advertising this popular company appearing with this production at Husthwaite Village Hall and book your tickets as soon as you see the notices!

The performance will be on October 30th for one night only.
Strawberry Tea in Husthwaite

We watched with bated breath as the dark clouds and gusty wind came and went during the morning of June 28th, the day of the Strawberry Tea, in aid of Cancer Research UK and held in Audrey Raper’s lovely garden.

But by 3pm the sun had come out and shoals of visitors began to arrive.

Everyone enjoyed the luscious fruits along with tea and cake, and a stroll round the garden. The splendid sum of £1234 was raised for Cancer Research.

Many, many thanks to everyone who gave so generously of their time and skills to make this a thoroughly successful event.

Juliet McDougall

The Appletree Cafe and Book Exchange return on Monday 5th October from 12-2pm in the Village Hall.

Tea and coffee, delicious homemade soup, sandwiches and cakes. Come along for lunch and a chat. Bring unwanted paperbacks to the Book Exchange and borrow something else good to read!

Husthwaite and District Gardening Club

Thursday 10th September 2015

7:30 pm in Husthwaite Village Hall
“Plants That Earn Their Keep.”
A talk by Pat Inman, a member of the Hardy Plant Society.

This newsletter is published every 2 months for the villagers of Husthwaite. If you or a neighbour do not get your copy when you should, please check at the village shop, where there are spares, and telephone the editor on 868130 to let me know.

Jan Coulthard
Children from Husthwaite School taking part in end-of-term activities before the Summer break.