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# Osmotherley Area Messenger

## £2413.00 raised for Herriot Hospice Homecare!

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The residue of this money formed the basis of a fund-raising collection to go to Herriot Hospice Homecare, a local charity whose caring work helps families across Hambleton and Richmondshire coping with terminal illness and bereavement.

The fund was added to by generous donations from cake and scone lovers around the village who supported the Tea and Coffee Shop Cream Tea afternoons in May. Since then the sewing machines have been very active again and the sale of over 250 face masks in and around the village has substantially increased the total raised. Grants were given from the Osmotherley Community Group to purchase the necessary materials for these.

There are so many people to thank; those who donated fabric and money for materials, cut out patterns, made and ate cakes and all who bought, and continue to wear, facemasks.

Particular thanks are due to the Osmotherley Sewing and Knitting Group, inspired by Jo Nunn and Eileen Webb, whose amazing stitching effort raised a fantastic £2413 for Herriot

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We are interested in meeting with horse-owners and riders who enjoy hacking out around the Osmotherley area. We aim to collect together knowledge of the routes you ride and any access issues you may have encountered. Even if you do not currently ride or hack out, but have done in the past, your knowledge would be invaluable too, so please come along to an informal meeting in The Golden Lion garden (weather permitting) on Wednesday 16th September at 6.30 pm. Please contact Bethany (07511189681) or Carolyn (883451) for more information or to let us know you will be attending. With the 2026 deadline fast approaching it vitally important that we record and preserve our equestrian routes - please check The British Horse Society website for more details.

### Jazz on the Cross

Thank you to all those who donated at the Jazz on the Cross event with the Swale Valley Stompers on Saturday 22nd August. We will add this total to the money raised at the McMillan September coffee morning.





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# Parish Council Meeting–16th July

The latest meeting of the council took place on July 16th 2020 remotely via Zoom .

The council received a report from the newly appointed sub group to look at car parking and traffic issues in the village. This sub group, made up from representatives of the council and interested residents will liaise with NYCC, NY Moors NP and other parties to look into ways of improving the issues highlighted recently after the removal of lockdown. The group also fed into the Hambleton DC survey currently being acted upon regarding Housing Needs and Car Parking in the village.

The play area and public conveniences were reopened on the 4th July. Additional cleaning and facilities have been installed in the toilets to improve the visitor experience. The Clerk has been given approval to apply for planning permission to alter the existing layout to a more modern unisex style facility.

Many residents will appreciate that the grass growth this summer has been extreme and this has had a knock on effect on our Caretaker's ability to keep on top of issues. Please bear with us and accept that certain areas may not be up to the high standard of previous years. The Clerk presented a report, drawn up following concerns expressed from the Burials Officer, regarding the space in the Cemetery. It was reported that a tree survey would be required to determine which trees within the confines of the land and which overhanging shrubs and trees on the edge of the property would require trimming. The concrete driveways to the right of the centre were proposed to be removed to allow for more space for future incumbents. The Clerk was asked to ensure the public were made aware of the proposals and to feed back any comments.

Two planning applications were considered and supported and another, previously objected to by a lot of residents and the council, has had its decision deferred by NYM until a site visit can be arranged.

The Council Rep raised the issue of a local government reorganisation in North Yorkshire. There is a government instruction that one tier councils should be implemented, however, there is likely to be disagreement between NYCC and Hambleton DC as to the best solution, as it is unlikely that both organisations will continue going forward.

## St Peter's Osmotherley

### Church Opening Times in September

St Peter's will be open for private prayer and reflection every Wednesday in September and on Sunday September 6th and 20th between 2pm and 4pm.

There will be a service of Morning Worship at 1045 am on Sunday September 13th and 27th. There is a one way system in operation with hand sanitiser points at both entrance and exit. Seating arrangements have been organised to secure social distancing.

In line with government regulations, you are required to wear a face covering while you are in the church building. Everyone is welcome.

### Knit , Purl, Pray

We are indebted to the kind person who has most generously made 'prayer squares' which are available for collection in the church porch. Each square comes with short blessing or message of encouragement.

Supplies are regularly replenished and you are invited to collect for yourself or on behalf of a friend or neighbour.

The squares have already brought great comfort to many recipients.

THANK YOU

### POP UP COMMUNITY HARVEST - SUNDAY OCTOBER 4th

You are invited to pop up to St Peter's on Sunday October 4th and donate a food tin - due to strict hygiene and health and safety restrictions we regret that we are unable to receive fresh produce this year.

The tins can be placed on the sides of the steps up to the church entrance and around the outside of church, any time from 9am - 4pm on Sunday October 4th.

There will be a short service of thanksgiving in the churchyard at 4pm . The tins will subsequently be taken to Hambleton Foodshare.

**IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE COULD MAKE A LINE OF TINS RIGHT AROUND THE CHURCH**

# Osmotherley Community Group

## The World's Biggest Coffee Morning: Different this Year: September 25th - 27th

This year we are inviting everyone to support the World's Biggest Coffee Morning in a new way.

We are asking anyone who is willing to host their own socially distanced coffee morning in their own garden any time from Friday Sept 25th through to Sunday Sept 27th - this would allow flexibility to take account of any weather issues.

Each host would make their own refreshments and invitation arrangements - could be coffee and cake - or tea and scones or just tea and biscuits - they would need to adhere to whatever the guidance is at the time regarding numbers and combinations of people allowed in gardens.

Christine and Peter Edmonds are willing to receive the donations from each host directly into a Macmillan bucket held at their house in South End (883408) Peter will take donations to the central collection - Peter did this for the recent flowers in St Peter's porch which raised £171.15

Thank you in anticipation of your support

## Community Wall

Our Thanks to Jo Nunn and Bobby Terry who have been working hard to incorporate all the bricks into the Community Wall.

We are planning to hold three viewing afternoons in October. Details of these will be included in the next edition of The Messenger.

We have now received a thank you letter acknowledging the receipt of £580 raised for Zoe's Place.

## The Future?

In the current uncertain situation, and in order to comply with health and safety guidelines, it is not possible to hold our regular coffee mornings and soup lunches. However the work of our community goes on and we are actively consulting with other groups and organisations to consider alternative ways in which we can express our support for each other. We will keep you informed of progress.

## Farewell Alan

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Alan Dawson on August 1st. Alan was a founder member of our Community Group - a loyal supporter and a good friend and neighbour to all who met him.

When we won North Yorkshire Best Community Group of the Year, Alan came with us to receive the award. As a tribute to him and all he meant to many people in Osmotherley, we have commissioned a 'horseshoe memorial' which will be placed alongside the Community award in St Peter's.

If you would like to see the memorial please call into St Peter's during church opening times from September 6th onwards (see More Dates for Your Diary on back page)



## NEW SEASON NEWS

This is the month, by tradition, that we launch our new season and encourage you to join with us to enjoy it - a wealth of film; a kaleidoscope of cinematic wonder; the

promise of monthly film evenings from September through to June. It's always an exciting time with much anticipation for what's to come. With the uncertainties of the current Public Health backdrop, we know things have to be a little different this year. As a result, we have taken the decision that Osmotherley Film will not launch its new season this month. We very much hope that we will feel able to launch our new season before too long. To do so we know that the Public Health conditions as also our ability to operate a film evening suitably and safely, need to allow this.

In the absence of a crystal ball, we will keep the changing circumstances under review, month by month. At the time we feel able to launch the season, we will make an announcement. Our plans for the season will be adjusted accordingly, at that time. The Osmotherley Film website will, of course, be kept up to date with the latest news. Keep the faith! Osmotherley Film will be back!

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Articles for October issue by Friday 23rd October please.

## Village Hall

### Bookings

Please contact Clare Scott via [bookings@osmotherleyvh.org.uk](mailto:bookings@osmotherleyvh.org.uk)

## More Dates for your Diary

### September

Tues 1st - Garden Club meeting - cancelled - Updates to follow.

Wed 2nd - St Peter's open for private prayer and reflection 2pm - 4pm

Sun 6th - St Peter's open for private prayer and reflection 2pm - 4pm

Wed 9th - St Peter's open for private prayer and reflection 2pm - 4pm

Sun 13th - Morning Worship in St Peter's at 1045am

Wed 16th - St Peter's open for private prayer and reflection 2pm - 4pm

Sun 20th - St Peter's open for private prayer and reflection 2pm - 4pm

Wed 23rd - St Peter's open for private prayer and reflection 2pm - 4pm

Fri 25th - Sun 27th: Macmillan Biggest Coffee Mornings across the weekend

Sun 27th - Morning Worship in St Peter's at 1045am

Wed 30th - St Peter's open for private prayer and reflection 2pm - 4pm

### October

Sun 4th - St Peter's Pop up Community Harvest 9am-4pm

## Osmotherley and District Garden Club

It will come as no surprise that Garden Club visits and events have been cancelled so far this year and the talk planned for Tuesday 1st September on 'Unusual Hardy Perennials' is sadly no exception to that. Updates will follow on the two remaining talks for 2020. However, on a brighter note the programme for 2021 is looking very exciting with some fabulous visits planned and talks featuring topics which range from 'ponds' to 'composting' to mention just two! Further details will follow in later editions of Messenger.

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Healthwatch North Yorkshire is the independent public voice for people using local health and social care services across the county. We listen to what people like about services and what could be improved. We share your views with those with the power to make change happen. We can also signpost you to local services and support.

While NHS and social care services are doing everything that they can to support you and your loved ones, they need our help to know how they can improve.

Our new campaign aims to help services identify and, more importantly, address issues people are experiencing with their care. You can get involved with #BecauseWeAllCare by telling us your views about how health and social care support can be improved.

To take our survey and read what we've been hearing so far, visit [www.healthwatchnorthyorkshire.co.uk](http://www.healthwatchnorthyorkshire.co.uk) or call 01904 552687 (we're happy to ring you back).

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