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Osmotherley Area Messenger

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Remembrance Sunday this year falls on Sunday 9th November and will be marked by the usual Act of Remembrance at 11am at the village War Memorial. Those servicemen and women and veterans wishing to take part in the parade should gather at the War Memorial by 10.50am. The Act of Remembrance will be followed by an ecumenical service in St Peter's.

Villagers who normally park their cars adjacent to the War Memorial are requested to move them for the period of the Act of Remembrance.

A Field of Remembrance will be set up at the War Memorial to allow those who wish to commemorate family members or friends, who served in the Armed Forces and have since died, by placing a memorial cross there. Crosses will be available for a small donation where Poppy Appeal collection boxes are placed in the village.

Those who wish to take part in the national two minutes silence on Armistice Day should gather at the War Memorial at 11am on Tuesday 11th November."

Many thanks
David Black

Coffee Shop Holiday Closures:

Thursday 30th October - CLOSED

Friday 31st October - Open for drinks and cakes only.

Saturday 1st November - Open for drinks and cakes only.

Sunday 2nd November - Open for drinks and cakes only.

Monday 3rd November - Open for drinks and cakes only.

We will then be closed until we re-open on Thursday 27th November.



Owls: There will be a planning meeting in St Peter's Church at 2.30 on November 11th. Please come with suggestions for speakers and outings that you are prepared to organise for 2026!

If you intend to join us for Christmas Lunch at The Wellington Heifer, Ainderby Steeple on Tuesday December 9th please bring £10 deposit in a named envelope. There will be an opportunity to select your menu choices for the lunch. Two courses £29.00, Three courses £36.00, this includes tea/coffee and mince pies.

If you are unable to attend the meeting please write your suggestions down and pass them on to us or email me (Margaret). Also give your menu choices and deposit to us asap.

Osmotherley & District Garden Club

October is coming to a close and as it becomes colder the gardens seem quieter and perhaps less inviting. However, our final talk of the year is from Sarah Hopps who has talked to the club many times. The subject is 'Right-Plant-Right-Place.' We are sure she will inspire us to wrap up warm and venture into our gardens. She hopes to bring plants for sale. The Committee hope you can join us on Tuesday 11th November 2pm Village Hall. Guests are welcome.

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Osmotherley Area Parish Council-16th Oct 2025

The meeting was updated on the issues that had happened over the past month including the trees in the village and cemetery following approvals sought from NYMoors. These were trimmed to remove excess branch growth and untidiness of the trunk epi-growth.

The fly tipping was finally removed from the Drovers Road and remedies sought to repair and maintain the equipment in the play area. These repairs will ensure the safety of the children and help guarantee we have a play area in the village for many years to come.

The arrangements for a successful Remembrance Service have been put in place for the 9th November.

A reminder to residents and landowners that where hedges, trees or shrubs cause a public footpath to be difficult to pass safely, it is the responsibility of the landowner to remove any such growth.

The council had been asked by NYMoors to identify two popular footpaths in the village for regular maintenance by them moving forward (this has been asked of all parishes within the boundary of the National Park). It was decided to support the footpath to Mount Grace Priory in the village and the footpath from the corner of the YHA at Cote Ghyll into the woods to the west of Cod Beck.

We considered 4 planning applications and following a directive from the external auditor, moving forward, all councillors and the Clerk will have email addresses linked to the council website.

The next meeting will be on 20th November 2025.

Any queries or comment should be made to the Clerk at clerk.osmotherleyareapc@gmail.com

The council and village website is at www.osmotherley.org.uk

John Robinson

Clerk to the Parish Council

07801591566



OSMOTHERLEY VILLAGE
THEATRE



Hope you can all join us ladies (and gents too!)

Dr Frank'n' Furter, Osmotherley Film and Osmotherley Village Theatre, cordially invite you to an evening of fun and thrills.

50 Years after its release, it's time to don the red lipstick, pull on the fishnets, unearth the stilettos from the bottom of the wardrobe and brush up on the Time Warp as the Rocky Horror Picture Show is coming to the village.

Friday 21st November 2025, 8pm start but turn up from 7.30.

£5 on the door to include snacks and a glass of fizz.

Bring your own drinks, dress up if you want to and 'give yourself over to absolute pleasure'

Heather Rowe

NATURE NOTES - end of October

Autumn has arrived and with it the turning of the leaves – from pale yellow to orange, scarlet and crimson, making a beautiful carpet of different shapes and colours. Piles of leaves are important: a cosy place for a hedgehog to sleep through the Winter, somewhere for birds to turn over and find worms underneath, and those worms will draw leaves down into the earth to enrich the soil. Leaves also help to protect tender plants but where it is necessary to rake them up from paths and lawns, making a leaf-mould pile will mean leaf-mould for next year's gardening. It has been an extraordinarily fruitful season and the hedgerows (where they haven't been cut back) are full of hips, haws, elderberries, sloes, rowan berries, holly and yew and blackberries. There is an abundance of acorns, beechnuts, horse and sweet chestnut – a banquet for birds and small mammals. Jays love acorns and will bury some for later use, forgetting where they have put them, resulting in a new oak seedling in the Spring. Tawny owls have been calling at all hours to establish their territories and robins singing to protect their patch. Queen wasps will be looking for somewhere to overwinter and although wasps have a bad reputation, please leave them in peace - they are vital pollinators and predators. A word of caution if you are planning to have a bonfire – please check very carefully before you light up; there may be a sleeping hedgehog or a mouse's nest in there. Make sure they have a chance to escape or carefully re-locate them to a safe place.

Angela Thomsett

St Peter's Church News

Christmas Angel Trail

To be launched on Advent Sunday (Nov 30th), this new trail will tell the Christmas story. The trail will be accompanied by a Quiz which will be free to enter. All correct entries will be put into a draw and the prize-winning entry will be announced on Sunday Dec 21st as part of our 'Scratch Nativity', more about this in December Messenger. We hope families will enjoy the Angel Trail.

All Souls Sunday

November 2nd at St Peter's Church at **10 45 am**.

There will be a special Service to mark All Souls - the date in the Church Calendar when we remember those who have died. The names of a family member or neighbour included on the list (which has been at the back of church during October) will be included in the service.

Memorial candles will be available for collection, along with a special token of remembrance. This is an occasion for our communities to come together to remember and give thanks for those we love.

We do hope you will be able to join us.

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 9th November is Remembrance Sunday. There will be an act of Remembrance at the village war memorial beginning at **10.45 am**. There will be a 2-minute silence at 11 am at the memorial followed by a Remembrance Service in church, supported by the Osmotherley Brass Band. All are very welcome.

Advent Sunday

Sunday 30th November marks the 1st Sunday in Advent. Our Christmas celebrations will begin with an **Advent Service at 4pm** in St Peter's Church followed by mulled wine and mince pies. All are very welcome.

Osmotherley Community Group

Osmotherley Community Group will continue to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in St Peter's Church. Our next Coffee Morning will be on **November 18th from 10 – 11.30 am**. Please do come and join us for coffee, cake, and conversation! All Welcome!

Book Sale

We will be holding a sale of nearly new children's books as part of our Community Coffee Morning on Tuesday Nov 18th.

If you are a parent or carer or perhaps a grandparent or relative with occasional childcare responsibilities, you will find these books helpful. Reading together is always beneficial! Any donations received will be used to resource our Quiet Area in St Peter's Church.

Environment Group

The next meeting of the Environment Group is on Thursday 20th November, 7:30pm in the Golden Lion. Everybody welcome.

IT Buddies Needed

Could you support someone to take their first steps online and to learn new digital skills? Our IT buddies support people to access the online world and to learn new digital skills as well as helping people to access services. You don't need to be an expert – training will be provided and a friendly supportive attitude is the most important qualification.

To learn more, go to the North Yorkshire Council website or e-mail katy.lane-ryan@northyorks.gov.uk or speak to your friendly Mobile Library driver.

THE OLD HALL/CHAPEL 18 North End Osmotherley

The Support Group, many villagers and interested parties met Bishop Terry Draine and the Diocesan Trustees in Stokesley on October 22nd. The meeting was cordial. The plan by the support group to retain The Chapel/Old Hall was very well presented and appeared to be well received. The Trustees will meet in December to decide if they can support the plan to restore the building. We will report their decision.



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Dates for your Diary

November

Sun 2nd All Souls Service 1045am St Peter's.

Sun 9th Remembrance Sunday 1045am.

Tue 11th Armistice Day 11am.

Tue 11th Garden Club demonstration by Sarah Hopps "Right plant, right place, 2pm Village Hall.

Tue 11th OWLS meeting 2.30pm St Peter's

Tue 18th Community Group coffee morning and book sale 10-11.30am, St Peter's.

Thu 20th Parish Council Meeting. 7.30pm Village Hall, Supper Room.

Thu 20th Environment Group meeting 7.30pm Golden Lion.

Fri 21st Osmotherley Film/Osmotherley Village Theatre Rocky Horror Picture Show 7.30 for 8pm Village Hall.

Thu 27th Mobile library 10-12 entrance to Oswaldene.

Sun 30th Advent Sunday, launch of Angel Trail 10.45 St Peter's.

Sun 30th Advent Sunday, Advent service 4pm.

December

Tue 9th OWLS Christmas lunch Wellington Heifer, Ainderby Steeple.

Osmotherley Preschool

Recent Fundraising Events

Thank you to every who has supported our recent events. The pre-school really does appreciate the support from the village and we hope that everyone who has attended these events have enjoyed themselves.

The Race Night made £700, The Jumble Sale made £363

Thank you

50:50 Club Draw

Congratulations to our recent winners:

September Winner....Diane Bland

October Winner.....Ann Abbott

If you would like to enter the draw please contact Anna on 07816419101 or anaramshay@outlook.com. Forms are available from Pre-school if you would like one.

The cost is £1/ticket/month and you can either pay by cash or BACS transfer, speak to Anna for more details.

Mobile library:

Thursday 27th November.

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