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[www.micklefield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.micklefield-pc.gov.uk)

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# Micklefield Parish Council

## MICKLEFIELDER



QUEEN ELIZABETH II  
1926-2022

## AUTUMN 2022

**A quarterly newsletter, delivered free to all households in the Parish of Micklefield**

# **MICKLEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**



Micklefield Parish Council usually meets on the first Thursday of each month, at 7.15pm, at Churchville House, Churchville Drive, LS25 4AW. Every meeting begins with a public forum, at which members of the public can speak (members of the public may not speak during the meeting unless invited to by the Parish Council). The Parish Council also has a Finance and Corporate Management Committee, which meets on the third Monday of February, June and October, in the I.T. suite of Micklefield Youth and Adult Centre (The Old Fire Station), Great North Road, LS25 4AG, at 7.30pm. All meetings are open to the public and notices of meetings, with an agenda, are posted on the community noticeboards at least three days before a meeting. Notices of meetings and copies of agendas and minutes are also available on the Parish Council's website, [www.micklefield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.micklefield-pc.gov.uk).

## **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY**

Due to the resignation of Cllr D Backhouse, Micklefield Parish Council has a vacancy. The council will fill the vacancy by co-option, which is a process whereby the council considers applications from interested persons and then selects someone to fill the seat. If you are interested in becoming a parish councillor, please write to the Parish Council and include a few details of why you would like to become a councillor. If you need any information about qualifications for being a councillor or just want more information about the role, please contact the Clerk to the Council.

The Parish Council would like to thank Mrs Backhouse for the decades of service she has given as a member of Micklefield Parish Council, including serving as vice-chairman, and as a representative to external committees, boards and bodies. We wish her well.

## **ANNUAL AUDIT**

The External Auditor, PKF Littlejohn LLP, has completed the annual review of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) for the financial year ending 31 March. The auditor provided a report and certificate and there were no matters arising. Copies of the audited AGAR (sections 1, 2 and 3) will be posted on the public noticeboards and the Parish Council's website.

## **IN THE COMMUNITY**

After two initial community infrastructure levy grant funding consultation events, at which the Parish Council gathered people's ideas and suggestions for the use of the money, the Parish Council is now in the process of producing a more detailed questionnaire to



Dear friends and neighbours,

We welcomed children and staff to our new academic year at the beginning of September. It was lovely to see our families return for the new school year.

There have been lots of developments in school over the summer break. We have a brand, new entrance area in which to welcome visitors; we have started our painting program within school and most areas are now freshly painted with new carpets to match! This half term, we will be holding open days, evenings and weekends for prospective parents to come and visit our village school. Please look out for future dates.

We have also been very busy ordering new furniture (outside and inside), resources and books to support our school curriculum.

We still have school places available for this year. Please do make an appointment to come and look round if you would like your child to join us.

With Faith, Hope and Love,

Mrs. Emma Cook  
Headteacher  
Micklefield C of E Primary Academy  
Great North Road  
Micklefield  
LS25 4AQ



Latest edition to the local football teams!  
Thanks for the photo Kevin.

Good morning friends

**Selby & District Foodbank** has been busy these last few weeks although not as busy as some other FBs we are aware of. Unfortunately that is almost certainly going to change.

The main thing that has changed has been the reduction in donations in some areas. We are assuming that some people are tightening their belts and can no longer afford to support us and we understand that. We are, however, still well supported financially and are able to buy in food if needed.

We are very grateful to those who support us occasionally or in many instances regularly through direct giving or food.

At the moment we have these particular needs:

**Rice                      Canned tomatoes                      Canned fruit**  
**Canned meat                      Canned spaghetti in sauce**  
**Canned or packet custard**



We also need  
**deodorants, shower gel/soap**  
**tooth paste and tooth brushes.**



But not cereals! We have more than 6 months supply and they take up space!

Many thanks - we have incredible generosity in this area as well as many volunteers to help.

Nigel Currey

Chair of Trustees

(Donations can be put in the box in the church)



The last Liaison meeting was on 20th September with updates from the site, the Environment Agency and LCC planning department. There is still inert tipping to ensure contours are correct before final capping. There are new gas wells being drilled for further extraction. Restoration is ongoing depending on the weather conditions. Any queries or issues please get in touch with the site on 01132865784 or Environment Agency on 0800807060

Regards

The next Liaison meeting is planned for 10th January 2023

ascertain the needs and views of the community.

The Parish Council has agreed to nominate The Bland's Arms Public House as an asset of community value due to its status as the only pub in the parish and its use to further the social wellbeing and social interests of the local community. A successful nomination would mean that The Bland's Arms would be added to the list of Assets of Community Value and the local community will be notified should it be put up for sale, in order to consider a community right to bid.

Micklefield in Bloom has continued its work throughout the summer, providing displays in planters and flowerbeds around the village and arranging the supply of hanging baskets. Thank you to all those who volunteer as part of the Micklefield in Bloom team. The Parish Council has representatives to other bodies and committees. Its representatives to the Peckfield Landfill Site Liaison Committee are Cllr J L Auty, Cllr D Backhouse and Cllr R M Czwarno, with Cllr D Brown as deputy. They attend meetings to raise complaints and problems with the operator, Leeds City Council and the Environment Agency. Its representatives to the Hook Moor Wind Farm Liaison Committee are Cllr J A Crossley and Cllr R M Czwarno. The Parish Council also regularly responds to consultations and comments on planning applications submitted to the Local Planning Authority (Leeds City Council), copies of which are available on the Parish Council's website.

### **AMENITIES**

Unfortunately, the height restriction barrier at the access road from Great North Road to Micklefield Recreation Ground has been damaged, most likely by a collision. The Parish Council has already arranged the fabrication of the new parts that are required for a repair and contracted the civil works needed.

### **LIGHTING, ROADS, FOOTPATHS AND TRANSPORT**

Despite the complications caused by various housing development works, the summer public rights of way base cut was undertaken. The claimed footpath from Pit Lane to the Crescent, which now runs through Hornbeam Gardens, was recently made a definitive footpath, after the approval of a claim submitted nearly 20 years ago.

At the request of a Leeds City Council ward member, Micklefield Parish Council has agreed to support a project to create a cycleway and footpath on the old flyline that carried pit trains between Peckfield and Ledston Luck collieries. The Parish Council is also liaising with Leeds City Council's highways officers to improve vehicular access along the accommodation road to the rear of garden Village.

Please be aware that dog warden patrols in the village have begun again and that an individual walking a dog can be fined for not having

dog waste bags with them, regardless of whether or not the animal has left any waste. If you want to help prevent dog fouling, details of specific locations and times of fouling and, if known, persons responsible for leaving dog foul on the footpath would greatly help the Dog Warden Service to reduce the problem, so anyone with information should contact Leeds City Council via the online report form at [www.leeds.gov.uk](http://www.leeds.gov.uk) or on [0113 222 4407](tel:01132224407). Street lighting, roads and footpaths are all the responsibility of Leeds City Council. Problems with highways, including pot-holes, holes in, or damage to, footpaths and obstructions on roads and footpaths, from advertising signs to overgrown hedgerows, shrubbery or grass verges, should be reported to Leeds City Council on [0113 222 4407](tel:01132224407), or via its website [www.leeds.gov.uk](http://www.leeds.gov.uk). If you have any problems with streetlights in your area not working correctly, they can be reported to Leeds City Council on [0113 222 4407](tel:01132224407), or via the Leeds City Council website. Dumped rubbish can be reported to Leeds City Council on [0113 222 4406](tel:01132224406), or via the Leeds City Council website. Leeds City Council has 'Do it online' report forms on its website for all the above problems.

### **PARISH COUNCIL ACTIVITIES AND POWERS**

Whenever it makes a decision to do something, the Parish Council must be sure that there is a law that supports this. If there isn't, then the Parish Council hasn't acted legally. If the Parish Council is not undertaking work that you think it should be, it might be because it does not have the legal power to do so.

### **.....AND FINALLY**

Notices of all Parish Council meetings (ordinary and extraordinary), Committee meetings and meetings of the Trustee of Micklefield Recreation Ground Charity are posted in each village notice board and on the Parish Council website, at least three clear days before the meeting, as required by law. Though not a legal requirement, the Parish Council also posts an agenda of the business to be transacted at the meeting. Any other business of the Council, including legally required documents such as vacancy notices and audit notices, is posted in the Council's notice boards and on its website, so checking regularly can help you keep up with Parish Council activities.

Joanne Hebden  
 Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer  
 Micklefield Parish Council  
 (Sole Trustee of Micklefield Recreation Ground Charity)



### **Micklefield Community First Responders**

The Micklefield team has been active for 19 years responding to medical emergencies in your local community, providing vital support and reassurance before the ambulance arrives. Dedicated volunteers are urgently required to enable this team to continue to support the community, working alongside the ambulance services who provide training in patient care, life support skills and using equipment such as oxygen and Automated External Defibrillators. You will be supported by a designated co-ordinator.

For further information contact our YAS Co-coordinator  
 Sharron Stoyles, Community Defibrillation Trainer  
 Community Resilience Team  
 Yorkshire Ambulance Service  
 Mobile: 07789271072  
 E-mail: [sharron.stoyles@yas.nhs.uk](mailto:sharron.stoyles@yas.nhs.uk)

NEIGHBOURHOOD  
POLICING TEAMS

neighbourhood policing teams  
**npt**

**MICKLEFIELD  
NPT CONTACT POINT**

**WHERE: Churchville House, Churchville Drive, Micklefield. LS25 4AW**  
**WHEN: The first Saturday of the month at 9am.**

**Come and speak to your local Neighbourhood Policing Team.**  
[www.westyorkshire.police.uk](http://www.westyorkshire.police.uk)

### **Micklefield BT Cyberstation at The Youth and Adult Centre**

**Craft club;** Tuesday 1pm - 3pm term time only

**Youth Club ;** Tuesday 6:30pm - 8.30pm 11-17 year olds.

#### **1st Micklefield Scout Group;**

**Beavers** boys and girls aged 6-8 years [Wednesday 6pm]

**Cubs** boys and girls 8-10 1/2 years [Wednesday 6pm]

**Scouts** boys and girls aged 10 1/2-14 years [Monday 7pm]

New members welcome

Please check Facebook page 1st Micklefield Scout Group or email [gsl.micklefieldscouts@gmail.com](mailto:gsl.micklefieldscouts@gmail.com) for further information .

WANTED, We are looking for more adults to help with all groups, so we can run the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers separately , numbers of children attending have increased by 50%.

### **Churchville House Social Centre**

**Ward Councillors Surgery;** the first Saturday of the month 9am – 9:45am

**Lunch Club;** Neighbourhood Elders' Team (NET)

Wednesdays, 11.30-1.30pm. at Churchville House, Churchville Drive, Micklefield,

**Closed - 27th July for summer**

**Reopens - 7th September**

**Closed - 26th October**

For anyone age 60+

Hot meal and pudding, £4.50. Meals need to be pre ordered and can be cancelled by 9.30am

Bingo and raffle – chat with friends -old and new.

Door to door transport can be provided for a small charge.

We would love to welcome new people to join us.

VOLUNTERS REQUIRED please contact

**Jean or Lyndsey, on 0113 2874784.**

**Micklefield Tenants and Residents Association:** all four officers of the association have stepped down and a new Committee with officers will need to be formed. Anybody interested in getting involved with this active group needs to contact Melvyn Prior, Manager, at Retirement Life, (the relevant wing of Leeds City Council) for further information.

Email: [melvyn.prior@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:melvyn.prior@leeds.gov.uk)

#### **Editorial Team**

Cllrs. Joan Auty ([joanauty@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:joanauty@hotmail.co.uk)), Jon Crossley and Michael Czwarno.

Items/articles you wish to have published in the next issue please give to any member of the team or Parish Councillor.

Articles for next newsletter, closing date Friday 16th December for delivery in January

Thank you, Joan.

## **MICKLEFIELD RECREATION GROUND CHARITY**

Micklefield Recreation Ground is a registered Charity (registered with The Charity Commission) that is managed by Micklefield Parish Council as the Sole Trustee of the Charity. The Trustee of Micklefield Recreation Ground Charity meets on the third Monday of January, March, May, July, September and November, at 7.30pm, in the I.T suite of Micklefield Youth and Adult Centre, The Old Fire Station, Great North Road, LS25 4AG. Meetings are open to the public and notices and agendas of meetings are posted on the community notice boards at least three days before a meeting. Notices of meetings and copies of agendas and draft minutes are also available on the Parish Council's website, [www.micklefield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.micklefield-pc.gov.uk).

### **FACILITIES**

The zip-wire ramp is scheduled for another repair, as a damaged wooden step needs to be replaced. Unfortunately, the sustained period of dry, hot weather cut short the blooming season of the wildflower meadow but it's hoped that the flowers had a chance to set seed before dying off. The Trustee also plans to undertake maintenance work on the trees adjacent to the wildflower meadow to improve access to the site and increase the chances of the meadow surviving and thriving. In August, a maintenance inspection was undertaken on the play equipment in the recreation ground (Diamond Jubilee Play Area) with no major remedial work identified. The Trustee has agreed a plan to improve disabled access at its main car park entrance, which has been forwarded to the Parish Council for approval and action, due to the associated costs being much greater than the charity's funds.

### **DOG WALKING**

Dog walking is a recreational activity and is therefore not banned from the Recreation Ground. However, dog fouling is not permitted, due to the health risk caused by animal faeces and the Parish Council would urge all dog walkers to clear up after their dogs and thanks those who are already doing so. Please keep dogs out of the play areas, including the skate park and the football pitch; they are used extensively by children, who are at particular risk from the slightest amount of dog waste that will be left behind even if you do clear up after your dog. Dogs can also damage the surface of the football pitch, which causes a risk of injuries to players and increases maintenance costs.

### **.....AND FINALLY**

The Recreation Ground is for the benefit of the public and for the improvement of life through recreation, so please enjoy it.

Joanne Hebden

Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Micklefield Parish Council

(Sole Trustee of Micklefield Recreation Ground Charity)

# ST. MARY'S CHURCH



A very warm welcome awaits you at your local church, which aims to serve the whole community of Micklefield. We are a small and friendly congregation, meeting every week for worship.  
**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US.**

## SERVICES



✦ Sunday at 9:30am: Parish Eucharist, except: Second Sunday in the month: All Age Worship at 10:30am (followed by crafts for children)  
✦ Wednesday at 9:30am: Eucharist

### YOUR CHURCH IS OPEN!

Please come in to look around, find some quiet, rest a while, or say a prayer.  
Wednesday to Sunday, from 10am to 4pm.

A warm invitation to join us for

## ALL AGE WORSHIP

on the second Sunday  
of the month  
at 10:30am.



A service led by the congregation and especially suited to families with children.

Refreshments and children's activities until 12 noon.

**ALL WELCOME - JOIN US!**

### CHANGES TO SERVICE TIMES.

Recently the churches at Fairburn and Ledsham have joined the Benefice. On Sundays there often has to be travelling between churches so that each community can have the opportunity to worship locally. For this reason there has had to be some slight adjustments to the times of services. Micklefield will be affected in the following way:  
**Parish Eucharist (Sunday) will begin at 9.15am from November 27<sup>th</sup>.**

At the back of the Church there is a box for donations of food and toiletries to support the work of the Selby Food Bank (Trussell Trust). You can also support Martin House Children's Hospice by collecting used postage stamps.



## THE ASSISTANT CURATE WRITES...

September always seems to me to be a new start with the schools going back and various organisations starting their new programmes. We've just had a great Monday morning of children's activities at St Mary's before school starts and hopefully as a result bugs have new hotels in which to shelter, the birds will have plenty to eat from the bird feeders we have made and everybody has enjoyed making (and eating) chocolate cornflake cakes. We've had fun - do look at the posters the children have made on display in the porch. It's also time to celebrate as YOU have donated 76Kg of food and toiletries to Selby Food Bank (SFB) to help those who are already finding things hard. Thank you. Please keep giving so we can share our good fortune and/or support each other when times get hard.

There are a number of things to look forward to in the coming months. On Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup> we will celebrate Harvest Festival and at 3pm there will be a Songs of Praise. Do come along and have a good sing and afterwards have a cup of tea/coffee with a chance of a chat with friends. The school service will be on Wednesday October 19<sup>th</sup> at 1.45pm in St Mary's. Hopefully this time everyone will be able to join us - in the summer it was too hot for the children to walk up to church that forced us to change our plans. Our big appeal over Harvest will be for items for SFB.

The churchyard is looking great - thanks to volunteers in the village and Community Pay Back - and

shortly work will start to improve the path from the road that is so slippery when it is wet. We have received a grant that now makes this possible and it will also include an improved permanent ramp into church + a hand rail. As usual we will keep Remembrance Sunday with a short service of Remembrance in church at 10.15am followed by the keeping of the Silence at the War Memorial and the laying of wreaths by organisations and individuals. I hope that a lot of people will be able to take part.

For the past 2 years at Christmas we have used the windows to tell the Christmas Story. This year we are inviting organisations to put a 90cm Christmas Tree (traditional/real/modern you choose) and to decorate it with whatever the organisation feels best represents their group. Publicity will be sent round to all the groups in the village inviting them to take part. We ask that that the trees are put in church sometime in the week beginning November 27<sup>th</sup>. We will be again having the Memory Tree as well so you can place the name of your loved one in church over Christmas. There is no charge for this.

On Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> we will have a Christingle Eucharist at 10.30am when we will receive our Christingles and support the Children's Society. There will be a Carols by Candlelight at 6pm on Wednesday December 21<sup>st</sup> which is a service for all ages, a Crib Service at 4pm on Christmas Eve particularly for children followed by Midnight Mass at 11.15pm. We look forward to seeing a lot of you at these services

For Baptisms/Weddings/Funerals etc please contact me,  
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07803125389

## CONTACT US

**How can our church best serve our community?  
Please tell us your views!**

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