

# BEYTON VILLAGE NEWS



AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2023



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES – 2023

## Beyton Parish Council Meetings 2023

5th September 2023	6th February 2024
3rd October 2023	5th March 2024
7th November 2023	9th April 2024
5th December 2023	7th May 2024
9th January 2024	



If you would like to make written representation rather than attending in person, please send an email or write to the Parish Clerk to be received no later than 7 days from the date of the meeting. Meetings are open to the press and public and there is a section of the meeting where residents are invited to raise questions or make comments; although there is no requirement of the Council to answer any questions at the meeting, Councillors will take account of the balance of views expressed when they are deliberating matters during the remainder of the meeting.

## BVA Committee Meeting

Tuesday 8th August      7.30pm      The White Horse

## Open Mic Night

Friday 25th August      8pm – 11pm      The Green

## Village Fayre

Saturday 26th August      2pm – 5pm      The Green

## Village Walk

Friday 8th October      3pm      Old Bus Shelter

## Clean Up Beyton

Saturday 14th October      Old Bus Shelter

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## DEADLINE FOR NEXT EDITION

Please let us have any contributions by **Friday 15th September 2023 at the latest** for consideration for the next edition.

Please send to: **editor@beytonvillage.news** – Letters welcome

# EDITOR'S WELCOME

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Preparations are well underway for the Fayre, looking forward to seeing everyone on the Green over the August Bank Holiday weekend. Fingers crossed as always for some dry weather.

Remember if there is anything that you'd like to see in the magazine or any contributions that you'd like to make please send to [editor@beyonvillage.news](mailto:editor@beyonvillage.news)

Have a great summer

**Editor**

## BEYTON PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

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Personally, I would prefer to have the hot weather currently being experienced in the South of Europe rather than our more maritime conditions, a few degrees higher would be welcome and the wind could do with backing-off a bit.

The bottom line is, as always, what we get is what we get and let's enjoy it.

Talking of enjoyment, I have been pleased to see so many people enjoying our beautiful village green, especially the volleyball players who are there every Sunday.

On the subject of the acquisition of Green, the only thing I can report is that there is nothing to report! The owners, the "Ladies of the Manor", are not responding to our letters requesting to either continue with the purchase of the freehold or take out an official lease on the land. Trying to move things forward is becoming rather tedious but we shall not give up.

### **A14 road works:**

There has been some reduction in the volume of traffic passing through Beyton since the high numbers which were recorded in May. However, our Speed Watch team continues to record over 4000 vehicle movements per day into Beyton along Thurston Road, which is twice the norm.

The recent reduction is due to the efforts of Highways England to keep through traffic on the A14 using appropriate signage. Also, regular travellers have realised that there is little to gain from seeking alternative cross-country routes.

## **Clean-up Beyton:**

We have a provisional date of Saturday 14th October for our Autumn Litter Pick. Please keep an eye out for posters nearer to the date and consider joining in.

**Taxi/Bus to Bury:** The twice weekly service is proving to be quite popular and the Parish Council has agreed to extend the trial until the end of the year.

The bus runs are on a Wednesday and Saturday. If you are interested you can book your seat by calling 01359 244134.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Beyton Fayre on the 26th August and until then I wish you all a very happy summer.

Yours

**Graham Jones** Chairman, Beyton Parish Council

# BVN NEWS & EVENTS

Preparations for the Fayre are in full swing. We are looking forward to hosting our first full sized Fayre since Summer 2019.

Please keep your eyes open for our posters and for the flyers that will be posted through your door with details of our evening collections for donations.

The Fayre cannot run without your help and all donations no matter how small are very welcome.

## **Village Walk**

On Friday 7th July, for a change, we held an evening village walk which proved to be very popular. We will try to include more of these in the summer months in future.

We walked from Beyton via The Gardeners Arms in Tostock where everyone enjoyed a drink in the garden. There were a total of 20 humans and one dog and we all enjoyed a lovely summer's evening.

Our next walk will start at 3pm on Sunday October 8th at the Old Bus Shelter.

**Anselm Gurney** Chair, BVA





# THE WHITE HORSE

**10%** discount off all food with this magazine!

## SPECIAL MENU *Available Monday – Saturday*

Cheesy Garlic Bread  
Crispy Garlic Mushrooms  
Brussels Pate & Toast

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Toad In The Hole  
Ham Egg & Chips  
Scampi, Chips & Peas

Sherry Trifle  
Hot Chocolate Fudge Cake  
Ice Cream

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3 courses £15.00

2 courses £13.00

## SUNDAY LUNCH MENU

### Starters

Cheesy Garlic Bread £3.50  
Homemade Spicy Tomato Soup £5.75  
Crispy Garlic Mushrooms £5.50

### Mains

*Served with a selection of vegetables  
Add Cauliflower Cheese for £2.75 extra*

Roast Rib of Beef £14.75  
Roast Pork £13.75  
Roast Lamb £15.75  
Roast Breast of Chicken with  
Apricot Stuffing & Bread Sauce £13.75  
Toad in the Hole £13.75  
Vegetarian Toad £13.75 (v)  
Beef & Abbot Ale Pie £13.75  
Tipsy Lamb Casserole £14.75 (gf)  
Ham Egg & Chips £13.75  
Beef Lasagne Chips & Salad £13.75  
Vegetable Lasagne Chips & Salad £13.75  
Lamb Madras & Rice £13.75 (gf)  
Chicken Korma & Rice £13.75 (gf)  
Naan Bread £1.00  
Scampi Chips & Peas £13.75  
Haddock & Leek Fishcakes £13.75

**SALADS** with New Potatoes or Chips  
& Coleslaw Roast Beef, Homecooked  
Ham, or Cheese £14.75  
Prawn £15.75

### Puddings

Mixed Berry Crumble £5.75  
Spotted Dick £5.75  
Toffee & Honeycomb Cheesecake £6.75  
Baked Syrup Sponge £5.75  
Sherry Trifle £5.50  
Hot Chocolate Fudge Cake  
& Icecream £5.75  
Orange & Lemon Sorbet £5.25  
Ice Cream topped with Cream  
& Sauce £5.25  
Cheese & Biscuits £7.25

### Hot Drinks

Coffee:  
Espresso, Americano £2.75  
Latte, Cappuccino £3.50  
Pot of tea for 1 £2.50  
Hot Chocolate £3.50  
Cafetiere of Coffee for 1 £3.75

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If you have any concerns about allergies or have special dietary requirements,  
please speak to one of our members of staff who will be happy to help.

*Gluten Free options are available*

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# BEYTON ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP (BEG)

## No Mow May, Let it Bloom June, now what??

I was thinking of mowing the lawn the other day, the garden needed tidying up. Then I noticed two greenfinch feeding on wildflower seeds, blackbirds eating the insects living on the lawn and many many bees and overflies enjoying the nectar from the white clover. I decided I did not really need to mow the lawn at that time-so I didn't. Instead I did a bit of a BioBlitz of the garden – 42 species of wildflower (not ones I had planted), 7 species of butterfly (including a less common Brown Argus), 10 species of bird and many, many other insects. Marjoram is a great plant for pollinators.

Looking round the village and elsewhere, it seems many people are becoming more sympathetic to the concept of “No-Mow May” to give our wildflowers and our pollinators a chance. After that, it becomes more difficult because plants going to seed can look messy. Plantlife make some suggestions for supporting wildlife in gardens by not cutting all the grass at once.

- a. Where grass growth is not so lush, try a wildflower lawn and mow every 4-8 weeks. You can mow patches in rotation.
- b. Create a hay meadow of longer grasses and taller plants, mowing 2x per year outside April to July.
- c. Don't mow the boundaries and allow grass tussocks and tall herbs to grow. Just remove brambles and woody suckers. This provides added protection for toads and voles.

Any or all of these can help wildlife and add diversity to the garden landscape. Whatever you can cope with, please give it a go.


The Plantlife website also makes the point that you should check for wildlife before mowing and always mow from the centre of the lawn to the edges to give creatures a better chance of escaping. I tend to cut a narrow border round flowerbeds to give them more definition and to make wildlife patches look deliberate. I will have to check if this is OK.

If anyone decides to do a survey of garden wildlife, BEG would be really interested in the results. I am just about to start reading Dave Goulson's The Garden Jungle (or Gardening to Save the Planet) for further inspiration.

Please contact **Val Conaboy** 07557 989592 if you would like any further details.

**Val Conaboy**

(Chair Beyton Environmental Group)



# BEYTON FAYRE

on the village green

2pm-5pm



Saturday

**26<sup>th</sup>**

August 2023



# BEYTON FAYRE 2023

## Friday 25th August

8-11pm Open Mic night with bar and hot snacks

Thanks to The Larks for hosting and to The White Horse for providing the bar.

## Saturday 26th August – THE BEYTON FAYRE!

10am–12pm Competition entries for the produce tent to be delivered to the marquee – see back page.

2pm The Fayre begins with a large assortment of traditional stalls:

Tombolas  
Coconut shy  
Bowling  
Dog scurry  
Splat the Rat  
Hook the Duck  
Mini Golf  
Lucky Dip

2.40pm Bounce Fitness Demonstration

3pm Traditional Children's races including  
Egg & Spoon and Sack races

4pm Dog Show – Don't forget to bring a dog!

5pm Tug-O-War (weather permitting)

... Finishing with the traditional Beyton  
Egg Throwing Competition.

*Please bring cash  
and coins for stalls  
and games*

*Live Music and  
Bar and Barbecue  
Throughout The Day*

## Plus

- Cake Plant Bric-a-Brac & Book Stalls • Auction of Promises
- Classic Car Display

And **NEW** for this year: Birds and Beyond Falconry Stall, Petting Animals Area and Honey Stall.

## REQUEST FOR DONATIONS

THE FAYRE CAN'T RUN  
WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT

Someone will be calling soon to collect any donations you may have for the various stalls. We will be doing this in the evenings between Monday 14th – Thursday 17th August.

We would be very grateful if you can contribute any:

- Bottles
- Tombola & raffle prizes
- Promises for the Auction
- Toys
- Plants
- Books
- Bric a Brac

Cakes (no nuts please) and plants are always welcome on the day.

Thank you very much!

## AUCTION OF PROMISES

There will be an Auction of Promises containing treats, experiences and services for you to bid on from Friday evening onwards! A board will be located by the entrance to the marquee during the weekend where you can find out more and register your bid.

The BVA is a non-profit organisation.  
All proceeds from the fayre are used to cover the costs of the event and any surplus is used to fund future events and regular donations to local charities.



## BEYTON FAYRE 2023 – COMPETITION CLASSES

Entries are just 50p each and there will be certificates awarded for First, Second and Third places and Highly Commended.

### ADULT CLASSES

1. Best Homegrown Vegetable
2. Most Misshapen Vegetable
3. Best Cut Homegrown Garden Bloom
4. Best House Plant
5. A Flower Arrangement
6. Homemade Strawberry Jam
7. Homemade Chutney/Pickle
8. Homemade Drink (alcoholic)
9. Homemade Drink (non-alcoholic)
10. Victoria Sponge
11. A Handmade Loaf (any sort)
12. 6 Chocolate Chip Cookies
13. An Apple Tart
14. 6 Cheese Scones
15. A Sketch or a Painting.

**TIMINGS:**  
Entries 10-12pm  
Tent Closed for Judging 12-2pm  
Tent Open 2pm

Please do take part  
and join the fun,  
and encourage your  
friends to do so too!

**ENTRY FEE**  
50p PER ITEM

### PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

16. People
17. Places
18. Animals

### CHILDREN'S CLASSES (UNDER 12'S)

19. Something I Baked
20. Something I Drew
21. Something I Made
22. Something I Grew
23. 4 Decorated Cupcakes



# THE VILLAGE PUMP

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Many of you may not be aware, but back in ancient times (well the 1940's and 50's) not all houses had been connected to a supply of mains water. This issue was overcome by the use of either a well or a hand pump connected via a pipe down to the underground aquifer.

In my early childhood I lived in an asbestos bungalow situated on the site now occupied by Summer Mead in Quaker Lane. My parents and I lived there with my aunt and uncle, who occupied the bungalow as tied tenants, my uncle working for Ivan Rogers on the adjoining farm.

At that time there was a pump situated at the end of the drive, consisting of a tank in a brick "box" with a concrete slab on top and a hand pump connected to the tank (as far as I recall). Anyway, for us kids this was a natural assembly point, on top of the tank which was only maybe 3-4 feet high. In fact, such was the attraction, that one of my co-conspirators was given the nickname "Pumpy" – some of the older residents will know who I mean!

Going back to the pump, I'm not aware that it was still in use at this stage but had been built and located by the council to serve the council houses and ourselves in Quaker Lane, presumably at the time the council houses were built.

Similar pumps were located in Church Road, in the garden of No.4, again to serve the council houses built there, another was at the council estate in Thurston Road at number 7.

All of these pumps have now been removed without trace I believe BUT one pump still remains in a prominent position on the Green, this would have served the school and other houses in the vicinity.

I'm not sure when mains water was connected to the village. I cannot recall my father bringing water in buckets, so I guess that it was supplied to our house when built c 1952-3 but then only to the kitchen sink and the "washhouse", where it fed water to the sink and hence the coal fired copper, used for the Monday washday.

I have no idea how the other houses in the village fared. I suppose many had their own pump or well. I do know there is a well in the Oak Cottage at the bottom of the green and of course also at the White Horse.

## Disclaimer!

These are my recollections as a small child, I believe most are factually correct, but I am more than willing to hear from anyone with different opinions, or who can add more to the story!

**Roy Crosby**

# THURSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEWS

It is not uncommon to read articles in the press about 'negative behaviours and teenagers', with stories that focus on a singular action, an isolated incident, a very small number of individuals.

We are in a very privileged situation at the College as we see multiple situations where teenagers prove themselves over and over again to be exemplary, positive role models for the communities in which they mix and socialise. In this edition of the newsletter three students have written about the organisation to which they belong, highlighting how they spend their time away from the formal College day and lessons and the skills and qualities they have acquired from their continuous participation and experiences.



## ***The Duke of Edinburgh Scheme by Oliver***

"My experiences from my Duke of Edinburgh have been amazing and I've learnt so much from the volunteering section I do at St Elizabeth's Hospice and the Expedition section during the weekend residential stay at Thorpe Woodlands. Part of the skills I've learnt from the hospice is how to use the cash register and I have developed my people skills through my interactions with customers. With the expedition section of the Duke of Edinburgh programme, I've learnt to be resilient and self-sufficient. It was my job to plan the two routes that my group walked during the weekend stay at Thorpe Woodlands. As well as this, our group was able to build a strong connection through teamwork and working together to overcome our challenges."



## ***863 (Thurston) Squadron Air Training Corps (ATC) by Maria***

"Thurston Air Cadets provides students with a unique opportunity to develop life skills that are necessary for success not only in the military, but also in everyday life. Cadets learn valuable skills such as time management, discipline, communication, and problem solving. These skills are transferable and can be applied to academic and professional settings, allowing students to excel in their chosen careers. Moreover, the camaraderie and sense of belonging that ATC fosters can lead to lifelong friendships and a greater sense of community. ATC also has numerous opportunities to take to the skies and experience the thrill of flying. Flight trips and camps also provide exciting opportunities for cadets to fly in different locations and to experience different terrains. Overall, the Thurston air cadets program provides a fantastic platform for young people to pursue their passion for flying and master how to safely complete outdoor activities such as camping and hiking."

### *1st Thurston Scout Group by Charlie*

"I have been part of the 1st Thurston Scout Group for over seven years, at this point in time I am a young leader for the Scouts of Thurston and am also an explorer. The reason that I am still a part of Scouts to this day is the amazing opportunities that it offers, things such as rafting, camping, survival techniques and games, things that I would otherwise not do at all, or not as often as I do currently. Other than the fun of being in Scouts, it also gives me job and working experience via teamwork, leadership, problem solving and much else. I still find scouting fun to this day, and it has changed me for the better by instilling a sense of responsibility and respect for the things and people around me."

Every day at Thurston Community College we talk with teenagers who contribute so very much to our community and to the communities in which they live. What a privilege, what a delight to experience such positivity on a daily basis.

### *Dr Jean Wheeler*

Thurston Community College – Community Voice



## THURSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS 50 YEARS OLD!

Thurston Community College is excited to be celebrating its 50th anniversary in September. Thurston Upper School first opened its doors to staff and students in September 1973, since then it has thrived and grown in size. We now have 1600 students and two campuses; the Thurston Main School campus and Thurston Sixth, Beyton Campus.


To celebrate this milestone there will be numerous events and celebrations throughout the Autumn term. As part of the anniversary, Thurston Public Library will be supporting the College in displaying photographs from the past 50 years. To whet your appetite we have included some aerial photos from the past five decades which show how both the College and village have grown.

We are seeking help from ex students and staff and local residents. If you have any memories, any photographs you wish to share and that we can add to our display please either bring your photographs to the College and we will copy them or go on to our website [www.thurstoncollege.org/](http://www.thurstoncollege.org/) News and Events where you can upload them and share your stories. Your photographs and memories will be a lovely addition to the displays which everyone can view in the public library this coming autumn.



# THANK YOU!

Big thanks to the students from Beyton Sixth for their hard work and success in cleaning the telephone box and various signs along with litter picking The Green as part of their Volunteering Day.

The logo for Rougham Table Tennis Club features a stylized red and black tennis racket with a white ball, positioned above the letters 'RTTC' in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

**Rougham Table Tennis Club**


A great activity to take up at any age from 8 to 80, everyone welcome.


Table Tennis is the most accessible sport to girls and boys of any age or physical ability.  
Have fun with friends and make new ones.

**WARNING!**

🏓 Table tennis is highly addictive and can become a lifelong obsession.

**New Season** starts 13th September and every Wednesday during school term times.  
Juniors 6:30 - 7:45pm, Adults 7:45 - 9pm

To find out more visit our club website:  
[roughamttc.co.uk](http://roughamttc.co.uk)  [@roughamttc](https://www.facebook.com/roughamttc)  
email: [admin@roughamttc.co.uk](mailto:admin@roughamttc.co.uk)

The logo for Table Tennis England, featuring a stylized tennis ball with the words 'Table Tennis England' inside.



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### **Thurston – Co-Op**

Tel 230803 – Opening hrs: Every Day 7am-10pm

### **Thurston – Cracknells**

Tel 270256 – Opening hrs: Mon-Sat 7am-9pm, Sunday 8am-9pm

### **Thurston – PO Londis**

Tel 230450 – Opening hrs: Mon-Sat 6:30am-8:30pm, Sunday 8.00am-6pm

### **Rougham – Meg's Farm Shop Rougham Hall Nurseries**

Tel 270577 – Opening hrs: Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Sunday 10am-4pm

### **Rougham – PO**

Tel 270201 – Opening hrs: Mon-Fri 7.30am-6pm, Sat 9am-12.30, Sun 9am-12

## **Garages**

Beyton Garage Tel 01359 271166

Thurston Cracknells Tel 01359 270256

## **Pubs Restaurants**

The White Horse Tel 01359 270324



## ROUGHAM C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

### OPEN MORNING

Wednesday 27th September 2023  
9.30am - 11am (no booking required)

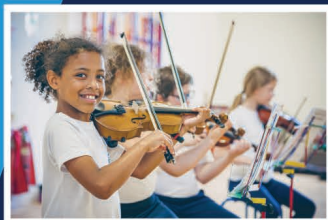
### DO YOU HAVE A CHILD DUE TO START PRIMARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024?

Then we invite you to attend our open morning

As well as having an opportunity to meet our staff and chat to some of our pupils, you will also get to see all the wonderful facilities we have to offer!

School tours will be run by the Year 6 pupils followed by a chance to have an informal chat with the headteacher and other staff whilst having a tea or coffee.

**September 2023**  
Brand new redesigned  
Early Years outdoor area  
for year round use



Contact us - 01359 270288  
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