

High Melton Parish Council



Newsletter June 2026

Melton Park Development

The planning application for the development of the Melton Park Estate is continuing through the City of Doncaster system. The application can be viewed, and comment made via the City of Doncaster Planning Portal. Planning application reference numbers are **26/00685/4FULM** and **26/00690/LBCM**.

The easiest ways to find the application: If this is an electronic copy of the newsletter follow this link ([planning](#)) if not google 'view city of Doncaster planning application'.

The application was discussed at length during the Parish Council meeting held on the 27th May with significant and important inputs being made by Parishioners attending the meeting.

The clear mood of the meeting was to support the application the only area of concern being the junction with Doncaster Road. Several ideas were considered and discussed, to reduce impact and improve safety. It was concluded that as non-experts we were ill placed to offer Road Traffic Engineering Solutions but could define our concerns. These were as follows:

- High speed of traffic through the centre of the village, particularly with respect to impact on Hangmanstone Lane entrance.
- Ability to turn safely into and out of Hangmanstone Lane – made more difficult by the proposed removal of the triangle on the entry to the Melton Park site.
- Ability of pedestrians to cross safely without introducing major infrastructure / flashing lights etc in the picturesque conservation area of the village.
- Need to control and slow traffic approaching from the Barnburgh direction (up the hill).

The plan is to discuss them in detail with the City of Doncaster Highways Department and the project Developers, Newsholme Developments to identify acceptable and practical solutions.

If you have thoughts on this very important issue and wish to make input then please contact a Parish Councillor, email clerk@highmeltonparishcouncil.gov.uk and/or attend our next Parish Council Meeting on the 1st July at The Stables .

Feedback on the City of Doncaster meeting will be provided in future copies of the Newsletter.

The Neighbourhood Watch

From lost chicks to alerting people of flooding and suspects being chased by the police the Neighbourhood Watch is now an effective force within our Parish. If you are not in it then help make it stronger by joining:



Cadeby Flower Festival



FLOWER FESTIVAL
Theme- Professions
Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th July
At St John's the Evangelist Church
Cadeby
10.30 – 4pm
Entry fee £3 per adult – children free
Coffee, tea, soft drinks, biscuits and cakes will be available -
Donations
More details available next month

Community Speed Watch

Following agreement to progress with the community speedwatch programme training of volunteers (online) is underway.

If you would like to join the team and receive training and help reduce speeding in our village then please email: clerk@highmeltonparishcouncil.gov.uk or robert.parkes@highmeltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Friends of St James' and High Melton

Following the submission of objections to the decision to close St James' Church the Friends Group is not being idle while it waits for a decision. It continues to work with the Church Authorities presenting them with a viable way forward for the Church to continue as a place of Christian Worship. It is also addressing key issues such as funding.





Fully restoring the Church will require significant sums of money that can only be raised via a major grant application to the Lottery Fund or similar. However, raising money to support the Diocese (who are financially responsible for the Church) and fund community development activities is within the immediate reach of the group.

The Group Chairwoman, Joan Herrero, has volunteered to carry a wooden cross of St James' on a 124 mile cycling pilgrimage to the shrine of the apostle St James the Great in the Santiago de Compostela Cathedral. The small cross is made from wood taken from a tree felled (for safety reasons) in our Church Yard.

The group are appealing for sponsorship and have set up an on-line 'just giving page'. They need your support so please visit the page and donate.

Joan is very much an amateur cyclist and is training hard on the roads around High Melton – if you see her then give her an encouraging wave.



Scan QR Code to access
Just Giving Page

What do You Think?

We have put a lot of effort into developing the High Melton Parish Council Newsletter. It is available and hand delivered in print form and is also available electronically (interestingly both have about the same environmental impact).

The cost to-date, of production and distribution has been borne by voluntary contribution. Content is focused on Parish Council issues but is expanding as seen in this issue. Publication dates have been driven by need to communicate rather than a fixed timetable.

Is it time for a change?

It would be great to get your views on the following. By email or directly by talking with a Councillor:

- Should the Parish Council fund production
- Should we include advertising
- Should we seek grant funding
- Should we have (semi)fixed publication dates

- How frequently would you like to receive a copy
- Paper, electronic or both – which do you prefer
- Would you like to contribute short articles?

Art in The Garden: Hootons Walled Nursery



Neighbourhood Plan

Work is continuing to develop a Neighbourhood Plan for our Parish. The Parish Council has maintained its commitment to deliver it without cost to the Parish and is grateful for the helpful and free of charge support it has received.

The plan is currently being reviewed by neighbouring Parish Councils who are also being very helpful. Once this is completed it will be re-submitted to the City of Doncaster.

If you would like to look at a draft copy of the Plan then please contact clerk@highmeltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Next meeting dates:

1 July 2026
9 September 2026
11 November 2026
13 January 2027
3 March 2027
19 May 2027

Annual Parish Meeting – 14 April 2027
Annual Parish Council Meeting – 19 May 2027

