

A circular logo with a yellow background and a brown border. Inside the circle, the text "Hemswell Parish Council" is written in a brown, sans-serif font, stacked in three lines.

Hemswell
Parish
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Annual Meeting of the Parish
Monday 19th May 2025

*Summary
Parish Council Report*

Parish Council Report March 2024 – March 2025

Summary of achievements and activities in the following areas of responsibility

- **Environment and Habitat** - The PC commissioned ecology and tree assessments with support from WLDC grants and is grateful to residents who volunteered for 'tidy-up' events. The PC continues to seek opportunities and grants to enhance its local green spaces and improve natural habitats. Residents are encouraged to contact FixMyStreet and/or the PC regarding matters relating to fly tipping, potholes, etc.
- **PC Assets and Heritage** – The PC continues to maintain, repair or replace assets through earmarked reserves, donations and grants. The PC relies on active members and the help of residents to implement its action plan and welcomes offers of support from local businesses and the community.
- **Community Events/Commemorations** - All village and community events rely on volunteers and support from residents and local businesses. The PC encourages more people to get involved to help celebrate the unique character of Hemswell. Suggestions for village events, displays or activities are always welcome.
- **Grants and Donations to Support the Community** - The annual Grant/Donation budget has been increased to £1200, and groups/organisations are encouraged to apply for grants/donations to benefit the community.
- **PC Governance and Accountability** – The PC continues to meet its legal obligations regarding transparency, financial management and budgetary control. Applications to become a Parish Councillor are welcome.
- **Planning Applications** - Planning applications are brought to the attention of residents who are encouraged to attend PC meetings or submit comments via to the WLDC planning portal.



'The Beck Tidy-Up'
31st August 2024



Hedge-cutting around
Hemswell Civil Cemetery.
September 2024

Environment & Habitat

**The Beck,
Hemswell**

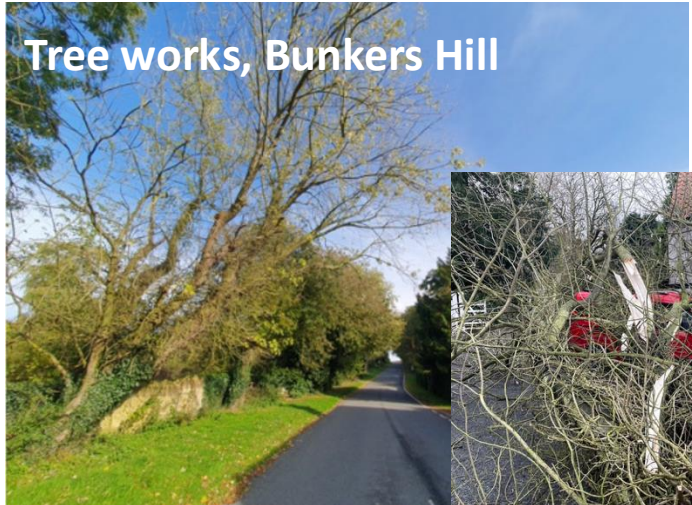
**CAUTION
TREE WORKS
IN PROGRESS**

**Mon 7th & Tues 8th
October 2024**

**PATHWAY
CLOSED**



New bench, Beck Lane



Tree works, Bunkers Hill



**Brook St.
Flooding**



**Working with WLDC
to update street
furniture April 2025**

Assets & Heritage



2 x new Maypole
'ribbon rings'
commissioned



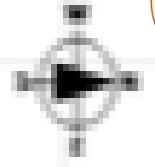
Generous donation from anonymous
resident for Pinfold sign. Improved
access & replacement noticeboard to
be considered.



Cemetery works agreed – gate &
bench refurbishment. Updated
cemetery map & digital database
nearing completion. Cemetery tidy-up
days planned.



Work to update the Cemetery Map and create Digital Burial Records



Community Events/Commemorations



May Day celebrations
6 May 2024 VH Committee

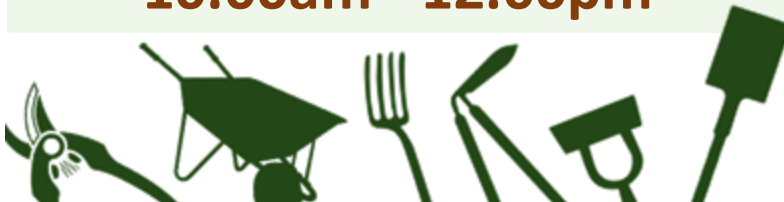


D Day 80
6 June 2024



Hemswell
Village
November
2024

The Beck 'Tidy-Up'
10.00am - 12.00pm



CPR and Defibrillator
Awareness Session

Cancelled due to lack of
support



December 2024

Grants & Donations

Support for Village Hall Committee & PCC with grass cutting (£1000). Village Christmas tree (£50.00)

Budget increased to £1200 – PC encourages groups to apply for projects that will benefit the community/parish.

PC received grants totalling circa £2k for ecology assessments & support for maintaining the Maypole.



PC Governance & Accountability



Internal audits successfully completed. Annual budgets continuously reviewed & managed. Transparency & accountability in all aspects of the PC duties & functions.



2 new Cllrs. co-opted to PC in 2024.
New members always welcome with training & support given.



Clerk achieved
two awards.

Planning Applications

PLANNING APPLICATIONS		
MARCH 2024	Application 147233. Land to rear of Church Street.	
	Application 146741. Revision to application for land adjacent to 7 Church Street.	
SEPT 2024	Application No. WL/2024/00654. 1 Brook Street, Hemswell. Two-storey rear extension.	Via Scheme of Delegation
NOV 2024 & JAN 2025	Application no. WL/2024/00881, Erection of detached garage and workshop. 18 Church St., Hemswell. DN21 5UQ.	
MARCH 2025	Application WL/2025/00206 to erect 1no. dwelling, Old Blacksmiths Forge, 17B Brook Street, Hemswell.	

The PC will continue to bring planning applications to the attention of residents and encourages residents to attend meetings or submit comments directly to the WLDC planning portal.

Residents interested in joining a committee to review the Neighbourhood Plan would be most welcome.

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*Thank you for your
continued support*

