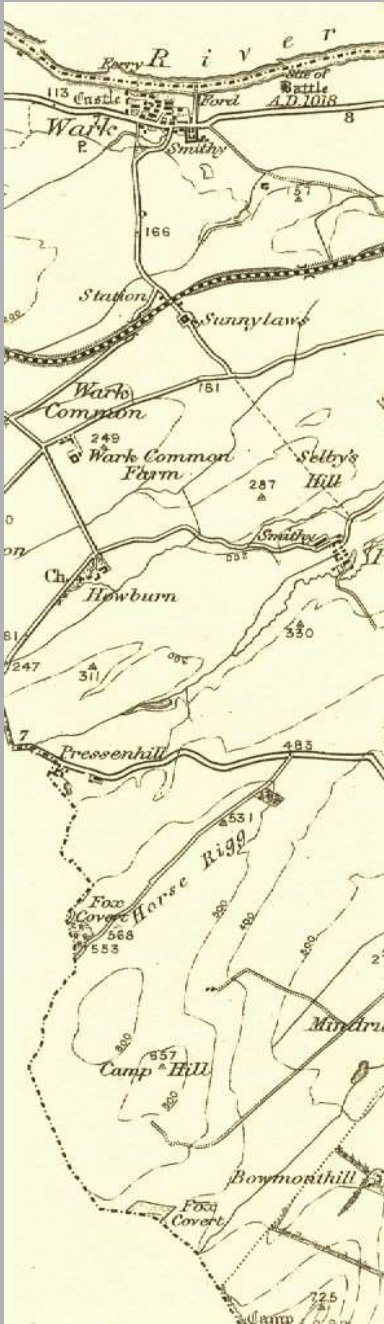


Carham Parish Council Newsletter

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The Parish Council's year ends in May, so this seems a good time for us to give a word of thanks to Northumberland County Council and to our local County Councillor, Mark Mather. Over the last year, their work on behalf of the parish has enabled us to sign off a number of outstanding projects, some of which were becoming frustrating because of the length of time they were taking to finish. Now another year begins, with the annual meetings on 9 May (see below) followed by the publication of our end of year accounts and other statutory paperwork, about a week later. But before then, there is a holiday weekend to mark the Coronation of His Majesty The King, Charles III. We hope that the weather holds fine, and that everyone is able to enjoy the extended bank holiday, whatever they are doing.

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Annual Meetings

The Annual Parish Assembly will be on Tuesday 9 May 2023 in St Cuthbert's church, **Carham**, at 6.30 pm. It will be followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting at 6.35 pm or when the Annual Parish Assembly ends. The agenda for both will be posted on the Parish Council noticeboard in **Wark** and on the website www.carhamparish.org, at least three days before the meetings. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please contact the Parish Clerk for more information.

Public Access Defibrillators

The defibrillator project got off to a good start just before Easter, with an open meeting in Cornhill village hall hosted by the Parish Council. Eight of the parish's communities were represented, and everyone who was there came up with useful ideas and suggestions for the project. Now, over the next few weeks, we will be visiting all the communities, one by one, to tell you about the project, hear your ideas and answer any questions you may have.

- ❖ The Travelling Tombola will be coming with us as we visit communities around the parish. This is our first fundraising activity, and all the proceeds will go towards the project. If you have anything you would like to donate to the tombola, please bring it along when we visit you, or drop it off at 2 Howburn Farm Cottages or at Mindrum Station House. We would be grateful to receive anything that is in-date, unused and in good condition that you think someone might enjoy winning as a small prize.

You can contact us at any time with your ideas for, or questions about, the project by sending an email to carhamparishdefibs@gmail.com

Open Gardens

The garden at **Mindrum** will be open under the National Garden Scheme on Sunday 18 June from 2 pm to 5 pm. Home-made teas will be sold in aid of North Northumberland HospiceCare. Kirky Cottage in Mindrum will be open under the National Garden Scheme on Saturday 1 July from 11 am to 5 pm and on Sunday 2 July from 11 am to 5 pm in aid of The British Red Cross.

Vehicle Activated Signs

We have not forgotten, but we are still waiting for, the new vehicle activated speed sign to be installed on the B6350 at **Carham**, and for the VAS at **Wark** to be mended. The two speed signs are owned by the Parish Council, but we are in the hands of others when it comes to their installation and maintenance.



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Footpaths Maintenance

The Footpaths Group continuously monitors and surveys the footpaths, bridleways and byways in the parish, and organises several walks a year to help keep them open and used. However, many of the paths become overgrown and impassable during the summer, so we need a core group of volunteers to help with maintaining and clearing our public rights of way, at least once a year. If you have a strimmer and are willing to help out, please get in touch with the walks organiser, Janet Chubb, on 01890 850 339 or 07757 211 564, or via email chubbj@hotmail.com

Tables, Chairs and a Marquee

Thanks to funding from Northumberland County Council, the Parish Council has two large folding tables, eight stackable chairs, and a small marquee, any or all of which can be borrowed for events in the parish during the Coronation weekend or beyond. Anyone living in the parish can borrow these items, provided they can collect and return them themselves and that they do their very best to bring them back in the same condition in which they collected them. Contact the Parish Clerk for more information.

Sign Up for Parish News and Information

Carham Parish Council publishes this newsletter twice a year, but if you have an email address you do not have to wait until the next issue to receive news and information from us.

- ❖ Go to the website www.carhamparish.org
- ❖ Find Follow News + Events on the right-hand side of the page
- ❖ Enter your email address in the box, and click Follow

You will receive an email from Carham Community Website with a link for you to confirm your subscription.

You will only receive information that is relevant to the parish that we think may be of interest or that you need to know. Visit the News + Events section of the website to get an idea of the kinds of items we post and how often we do so.

Carham Parish Council is an elected body in the first tier of local government. It is responsible for representing the interests of the whole community. Among other things, it is concerned with community safety, street lighting, common land, play areas, litter, tourism, traffic calming, seats and shelters, rights of way, and some aspects of planning and highways.

The Parish Council meets six times a year. Meetings are in alternate months beginning in May, on the second Tuesday of the month, in St Cuthbert's Church, Carham at 6.30pm. Anyone living or working in the parish can attend a meeting.

For the minutes of Carham Parish Council meetings, go to www.carhamparish.org