

HEDS

Sept 2026

Issue No. 456

Everton Village Show

Sunday 14th September

Everton Village Hall

Staging of Entries 10am - 11.30am

Open to All 2pm - 4pm

**For Information or a show schedule please contact
Ann 01777 818993**

*All entries welcome,
you don't have to live in Everton to enter*

HEDS Community Choir

HEDS choir begins on Tuesday 15th September at 8.00 pm in Everton Village hall. Anyone; young and old is very welcome to join us. The choir are a very engaging and sincere group of people, who just love singing.

Scientific experts have realised the benefits of singing, both physically and mentally. (correct breathing techniques are adhered to) and also the social aspect of gathering together, maintaining a strong emphasis on mental wellbeing.

Give an hour on Tuesday evening to feel the benefits of singing, you won't regret it.

If you require any further information ring Paul on 07852952217



LOST GARDEN

The hot weather has really taken its toll on the Lost Garden, which is incredibly dry, as is the rest of the village. We just hope some of the plants will seed and come back once the rains return.

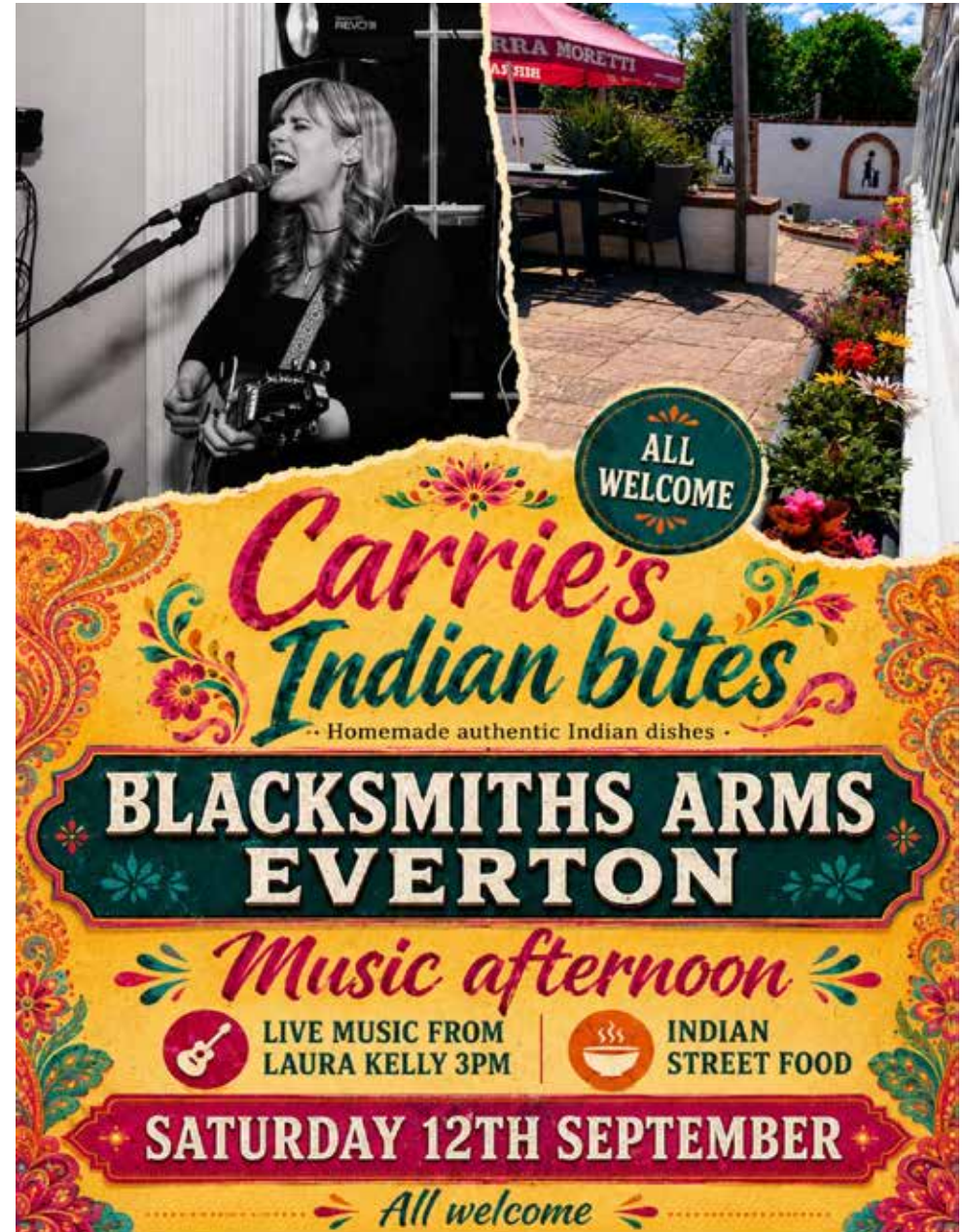
We were surprised to see a couple of cheeky young rabbits one night, and the hedgehogs are active nightly. They are very thirsty indeed, and can be seen on camera lapping up water for ages, so huge thanks to our volunteers who reliably feed and top up their water every night.

The pond is drying up daily, but there is still enough water to keep the frogs and other pond life viable. We will top it up if it becomes threatened, but so far we are monitoring the situation.

If any family would like a pond-dipping session, please get in touch with me, and it can be arranged for up to 4 school-age children plus an adult, for a donation of £5 towards hedgehog food, which is very expensive.

There are a couple of lovely shady spots to escape the heat if you pop in.

Sue





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Although we haven't been at school during August, we still managed to enjoy one last whole school trip at the beginning of the summer holidays to the Sheffield Arena to watch the BBC show: Gladiators.

As previously mentioned, Everton Primary School were personally invited by Steel (a Gladiator on the show) to attend a live recording of the show due to how well behaved, interested and engaged our children were during his visit to our school. During the visit he spoke to our children about mental and physical health and fitness, confidence and anxiety, as well as 'glimmers' (positive thoughts and affirmations).

During the day at Sheffield Arena, all children were impeccably behaved, supportive of all the events, Gladiators and competitors, and learnt a lot about how a huge TV show like Gladiators is organised and produced. Whilst there we also won the 'Best Poster' competition, and we were name-checked by Steel during his post-event interview. We are looking forward to watching our episode when it airs in January 2027!

As we look towards the new academic year, we currently have spaces in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 that need to be filled from September 2026 and the academic year 2026/27. If you, or anyone you know, would like to arrange a school visit or ask any questions about school admissions to Everton Primary School, then please feel free to call or email the school on 01777817350 or office@everton.notts.sch.uk

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Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Although Christmas is still 12 weeks away.....it is time to be thinking of children in need around the world and how we can help some of them receive a gift this Christmas.

COLLECTION WEEK this year is 9-16 NOVEMBER when I can deliver any shoeboxes to the Retford Collection Centre. Last year you were so generous I was able to take 35 boxes!! It's amazing what can be fitted into a standard size shoe box suitable for either boys or girls in 2-4; 5-9 or 10-14 age group.

BUT please NO SOAP, toothpaste, sweets, gum or any food items, no lotions or liquids; no used or damaged items, no seeds, no war-related, items, no religious or political literature, no medicines, aerosol cans, sharp or fragile items.

HOWEVER small fun toys, cuddly toys, skipping ropes, yo-yos, toothbrushes, combs, hairbrushes, sun glasses, school supplies, colouring or picture books, accessories eg socks, hats, hair slides, jewellery, torches (wind up or with extra batteries). Etc etc.

£5 pays for shipping and other project costs. Any donations with or without a shoebox would be most welcome.

I will put in November HEDS the actual date when I plan to take the boxes to Retford and look forward to beating last year's wonderful number.

Christine Dunn 818732



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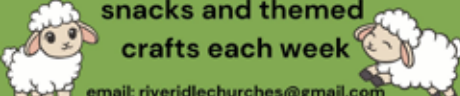
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Roads

The heated debate about the state of our roads rages on and on and.... Another issue that is an acknowledged problem, but one for which no solutions are ever offered by the Government. Is the extra weight of EVs responsible? Are the increasing number of HGVs pushing structural limitations? Is it the extra volume of traffic due to population increase?

Well, let's look at the section of the

North Road into Retford from the King and Miller to the Hallcroft Roundabout. It is worn out and deteriorating. None of the 3 causes outlined previously particularly apply to users of this stretch of road in Retford. EV ownership is low, HGVs are relatively few, and the volume of traffic is steady.

Road signage in the area advises that work will be commencing soon. In addition, the sign advises that the road surface will also be dressed. We all know what that means; a bodge of stone chips aplenty and tar residue splattered on sills and doors. Not a quality fix.

It has been estimated by the Asphalt Industry Alliance that the cost to bring local roads in England and Wales to a sound condition is £16.2 billion.

Total motoring taxes, including VED and fuel duty, raise roughly £49 billion annually. Ask any politician why our roads are not up to scratch. Where does the

money go? You will be treated to a deep sigh and a selection of lies of the day. We really are being messed about by professionals here.

Doncaster Roads

If you have visited Doncaster recently, you will have noticed scores of Veezu and Uber taxis rushing around the City. Veezu, alone, now has 500 self-employed partners in Doncaster alone. Uber are quoting around £11 for a 12-minute journey. Many of the vehicles are elderly

Toyotas. The second-hand market for a 3–10-year-old Japanese vehicle has gone into overdrive. It is a very lucrative market.

However, the real icing on the cake of this business model lies within the Public Sector contracts. City of Doncaster

states that it spends MILLIONS annually transporting over 1000 pupils with Special Educational Needs.

Oil Syndicate

Heating oil prices are still 85p plus. In addition, we are still paying 5% VAT. The decision everyone faces is stick or twist, wait for something to happen. Electricity certainly will not be any cheaper or plentiful this winter. So with those few thoughts in mind, the dates for ordering during the Autumn/winter season are as follows: 7 Sep, 5 Oct, 2 Nov, 1 Dec, 5 Jan, 1 Feb, 1 Mar.

As and when any good news surfaces, I will include it in future editions of HEDS.

Tony





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DINGBAT PUZZLE

from Bryan Atkinson

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Answers are elsewhere in the magazine

EVERTON GRAND POPPY DISPLAY

On 18 August the Everton Knitting Group hosted a Village Open Day to collect crafted poppies and collect completed ones. We had a very successful and fun day.

We made: 227 felted poppies; 23 poppies on plates (using felt scraps) and painted 433 plastic bottle bottoms. A massive 412 knitted/crochet ones were collected.

In total we have: 640 felt; 1095 yarn and 485 plastic.

Thank you to everyone that came, made cake, helped with refreshments and generally made it a very successful day.

We would also like to thank Everton Parish Council and The Metcalfe Recreation Committee for their financial contribution and general support.

Please don't stop now we need many more yarn poppies to make the display we are aiming for. The final date for dropping off completed poppies is 1 October.

Everton Knitting Group.



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Please visit our website for latest information and village news.

Everton & Harwell Speed Reduction – Twenty is Plenty!

The Parish Council has now submitted its Twenty is Plenty proposal to Nottinghamshire County Council.

Village Hall

The Village Hall refurbishment is almost complete. Those attending events there are requested to park their cars away from the Hall. The Metcalfe Car Park on the High Street is available for parking, just a minute's walk to the Hall.

Friends of Everton Cemetery

Friends of Everton Cemetery supports the parish council by helping maintain the cemetery on Mattersey Road through tidy-up sessions, minor repairs, signage, and safety checks. New members are welcome, with no special skills required. To get involved, please contact the parish clerk.

Everton Village Neighbourhood Plan

The updated Neighbourhood Plan is expected to be presented at a community open event in October. Full details will be published in HEDS, on the village website and through the village Facebook community.

Off-Road Vehicles on Bridleways and Byways

There continue to be reports of increased illegal and antisocial motorbike and quad bike use on local footpaths, bridleways and restricted byways. These routes are for restricted users only and any illegal use should be reported by calling 101 or by logging a report on the Notts Police website.

Rural Watch Scheme

To protect the safety, security and unique character of our rural landscape, Nottinghamshire Police, in partnership with local councils, runs the Rural Watch Scheme, and we need your help to make it a success. Members become the “eyes and ears” of the village and countryside, helping to deter theft from farms, outbuildings and homes, whilst reporting suspicious activity quickly. By working together, we not only safeguard property but also the peace of mind and safety that makes Everton so special. For more information contact gary.thomson@evertonparishcouncil.org.uk

Considerate Parking

Residents and visitors are reminded to park considerately around the village and ensure vehicles are parked legally and that pavements remain clear. Obstructed footways can be an offence and create difficulties for pedestrians, pushchairs, and those using mobility aids. Where available, parking should be fully utilised at the Metcalfe Recreation Ground.

Parish Planter

A planter has been purchased, and thanks to the Garden Holders Association, we should see the benefits later in the summer. The siting of the planter has been discussed and will be confirmed once in place.

Kissing Gate

The Kissing Gate has been repaired and will be reinstalled shortly.

Casual Vacancy

The parish council would like to thank outgoing Cllr. Gaynor Waddington for her hard work and commitment and would like to invite anyone interested in becoming a parish councillor to contact the clerk by email.

Honours Board

An “Honours Board” will be purchased and sited in the Village Hall to recognise and honour the recipients of the parish nomination for the Bassetlaw Achievers Award.

LGR Update

The Government announced in July that it intends to proceed with the proposal submitted by Nottingham City Council, creating two new unitary councils for Nottinghamshire and Nottingham. Bassetlaw will form part of the new unitary covering the north and east of the county. The changes are subject to Parliamentary approval, with the new councils expected to come into operation in 2028.

Bassetlaw Mobile Community Shop

The Everton Mobile Shop calls every Thursday between 12:15 and 13:15 and is located on the Metcalfe playing field car park. The shop is open to everyone.

District Councillor's Surgery

District Councillor Steven Pashley is now running a surgery. The surgeries are to take place on the 3rd Thursday in the month, between 10-12 at Misson Village Hall (drop-in)

Useful Contact Details

Speeding Issues/Inconsiderate Parking

These can be reported to the Police on telephone number 101

Highways Issues (for example potholes, road defects, overgrown hedges, damaged signs\ overgrown public footpaths).

These can be reported Nottinghamshire County Council via their website www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk or by using the 'MyNotts' App. Or by contacting your Councillor Mike Robertson: cllr.mike.robertson@nottsc.gov.uk

Environmental, planning and planning enforcement issues can be reported via the Bassetlaw District Council website www.bassetlaw.gov.uk or by contacting your District Council, Steven Pashley Email steven.pashley@cllr.bassetlaw.gov.uk

Upcoming Parish Council Meeting Dates

Monday September 7th 2026 at 7:15pm.

Monday October 5th 2026 at 7:15pm.

Contact Details for the Clerk, Callum Bryant:
Email: clerk@evertonparishcouncil.org.uk | Tel: 07362 287146

Parish Council documents including minutes, agendas and other local information can be found on the Parish Council's website: <https://evertonparishcouncil.org.uk>

Parish Council meetings are normally held in the village hall and usually start at 7.15pm. Members of the public are always welcome to attend. Meetings normally take place on the first Monday in the month except when there is a bank holiday when the date will be scheduled as soon as possible after that date.



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2 ND WEDNESDAY ? QUIZ NIGHT	18 TH FRIDAY GINGERBREAD MAKING 4.30PM - 6PM
3 RD THURSDAY XMAS MARKET NIGHT 5PM - 8PM	19 TH SATURDAY BREAKFAST WITH SANTA 9AM - 10.30AM (BOOKINGS ONLY) XMAS AFTERNOON TEA 12PM - 4PM (BOOKINGS ONLY)
7 TH MONDAY KIDS FILM NIGHT 4.30PM - ELF	20 TH SUNDAY LIVE MUSIC PIANO MAN 2PM - 4PM CHRISTMAS BINGO
8 TH TUESDAY KIDS FILM NIGHT 4.30PM - THE GRINCH	21 ST MONDAY COCKTAIL MAKING 7PM ONWARDS
9 TH WEDNESDAY ? QUIZ NIGHT	22 ND TUESDAY PIZZA MAKING WITH THE GRINCH 12PM - 2PM CHEESE & WINE TASTING 7PM ONWARDS
10 TH THURSDAY WREATH MAKING 7PM - GLASS OF FIZZ & NIBBLES	23 RD WEDNESDAY XMAS MUSIC QUIZ & BINGO WITH QUIZ MAN
11 TH FRIDAY LIVE MUSIC JESS BRETT 7PM - 9PM	24 TH THURSDAY KIDS FILM NIGHT 12PM - POLAR EXPRESS
12 TH SATURDAY BREAKFAST WITH SANTA 9AM - 10.30AM (BOOKINGS ONLY) KIDS CRAFT AFTERNOON 3PM - 5PM	25 TH FRIDAY XMAS DAY
13 TH SUNDAY KIDS FILM NIGHT 12.30PM - HOME ALONE	26 TH SATURDAY BOXING DAY
14 TH MONDAY KIDS FILM NIGHT 12.30PM - ARTHUR CHRISTMAS	31 ST THURSDAY NYE NEW YEAR'S EVE LIVE MUSIC DAN SAMMS
15 TH TUESDAY ANNUAL CHRISTMAS QUIZ	
16 TH WEDNESDAY	

WISHING YOU ALL A
Merry Christmas
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

See you at The Sun Inn!

CONGRATULATIONS

To Amelia Griffiths who has achieved amazing results in the Dance Promoters Association/Ballroom Dancers Federation UK National League.

DPA/BDF 2025/26

under 16 beginner and novice solo Ballroom - 1st place.

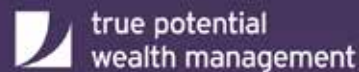
DPA/BDF 2025/26

under 16 beginner solo Latin - 1st place.

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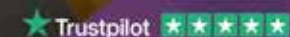
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IT'S SHOW TIME

Everton Garden Holders' Annual Village Show is on Sunday 13 September – all details are on the Show Schedule in this month's HEDS along with the entry form. We know it has been a difficult growing season, but we are sure there are some wonderful flowers, plants, veg and fruit for people to enter. There are also Domestic Classes. Flower arranging, Craft Classes and Children's classes – so something for all your family, so please come along and bring your entries; we look forward to seeing you there.

Our September meeting on Monday 14 September is a very welcome return visit from Dr Andrew Ward – it has taken Sid 3 years to book him. He will be talking about Umbellifers in the Garden, including Astrantias – so please come along as it is a chance to hear such a well-known speaker.

In August we all met at Sid's for wine and nibbles and to see her amazing collection of old farm and gardening tools; there was a quiz to identify what they were and it was not easy. Sadly, none of us got full marks, but we all learnt a lot and got a fascinating glance into the world of farming. Thanks, Sid, for an excellent evening.

Village Coffee Morning

The dates for September coffee mornings are TUESDAY 8th and TUESDAY 22nd in the Village Hall.

We look forward to seeing you all then. Times are 10.30 – noon, everyone welcome. See you there.

Ann 818993

OUTING TO BASSETLAW MUSEUM

Everton WI were out and about for their August meeting. We visited Bassetlaw Museum for a tour of the building and to hear the history of how the Museum came to be there. It was a fascinating insight into the history and a chance to also look at some of the many exhibits from Retford's past. A good outing.

Our September meeting on Monday 21 September is a welcome back to Maggie Watkins, who will be talking about the history of Clumber Gardens; an excellent evening in store – so hope to see you there.

So you can get the date in your diary, we will be having our Annual Quiz on Friday 9 October in the Village Hall. Tables of up to 6 people, £3.00 per person and a chance to win a cash prize. Please bring your own refreshments and enjoy an excellent evening as usual. Please let Ann know if you are coming.

Ann Hickman 07377 794790

Dingbats: SPOILT FOR CHOICE, JACK IN THE BOX

Long time since you played table tennis or snooker on full size table?

Why not give it a try at Everton village hall, Thursday evenings 7.30 to 9.00 pm..

Info available from Mick Boulby, "Northville", Church St. 817761.

October deadline

The deadline for the October 2026 issue will be 14 September..

Thank you to you all.

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September 2026

Weekly Meetings - All Village Hall unless otherwise notated

THURSDAY - TABLE TENNIS,
SNOOKER, VH - 7.30pm
- BASSETLAW MOBILE SHOP
12.15PM - 1.15pm
FRIDAY - LITTLE LAMBS
9.30-11am term time - VH

1st KNITTING GROUP
10.00 a.m. – noon VH
7th PARISH COUNCIL – 7.15 p.m. VH
OIL ORDERING DEADLINE
8th VILLAGE COFFEE 10.30 - Church
12th CRICKET v. Gainsborough 1st
12th HOLY TRINITY
11.15 a.m. Holy Communion
13th VILLAGE SHOW – SEE NOTICE
14th EVERTON GARDEN HOLDERS -
7.30 p.m. VH – see note
15th KNITTING GROUP 10.00am
VH, see note
20th HOLY TRINITY, 4.00 P.M. 'Informal'
Family Service
22nd VILLAGE COFFEE 10.30 - Church

October and on

OCT 9TH WI QUIZ
OCT 5TH PARISH COUNCIL
OCT 28TH LAUNCH OF POPPY DISPLAY
OIL ORDERING DATES, 5 Oct, 2 Nov, '1 Dec,
5 Jan, 1 Feb, 1 Mar

Church Register

Baptisms at Holy Trinity
28th July Maisie Grace King was baptised
9th August Philippa Elizabeth Wilson
was baptised
We welcome them both into our church family

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HEDS Together

Advertising Rates

Inside Pages

Full Page £18.00 per month

Half Page £10.00 per month

1/4 Page £8.00 per month

Front Cover

1/2 page £25.00 per month

(Front Cover advert limited to 2 months in any 12 month period)
As at present, advertisers paying annually in advance will only pay for 10 months advertising.

To advertise contact: **tel: 01777 472396**
hedstogether@gmail.com

Print quality of advertisements

Although we always try to ensure that our advertisements are well presented, unfortunately from time to time, some of our advertisements may be a little faint and lacking definition or clarity. This is because the printing process we have to use to produce HEDS Together works better where the original document is solely in black and white and with no background colouring.

It would greatly assist the editorial team if, when submitting advertisements for publication, advertisers are able to use black and white with limited use of background wherever possible.

May we thank you for continuing to support HEDS Together and should you need any assistance we will be only too pleased to help.

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