Kirk Ella & West Ella PARISH COUNCIL

2008

UNBELIEVABLE!

Last year we reported that there was to be **NO INCREASE** in your Parish Tax. **This year** we have gone one better. By careful budgeting and various fund-raising events we have actually managed to **REDUCE** our precept. **Are we the only Parish Council in the East Riding to do this?** We have still provided four new seats, donated to the Skateboard Park & the P.C.S.O.s cycle and paid for a new on-line information website for Kirk Ella and West Ella as well as putting on the Royal Diamond Wedding Exhibition.

Our Chairman & our M.P. admiring one of the outside exhibits at the Royal Diamond Wedding Exhibition.

LOST

After a vigorous campaign by your M.P., Ward Councillors and the local Parish Councillors headed by Cllr. Doreen Kaye, the whole community is devastated by the closure of the thriving Kirk Ella Post Office. It was a fact that the business was steadily increasing financially yet the authorities saw fit to deprive us of this vital facility at the heart of Kirk Ella village.

Below: Cllr. Doreen Kaye reading the list of facilities lost.

This photo shows the first of three village signs already erected by K.E.I.S. with Cllr. David Jordan, Treasurer, pointing to the plaque put up in memory of the first Chairman, the late George Daniels. K.E.I.S. is continuing to fund-raise for the further village signs needed.

cut off and keep

PARISH COUNCILLORS

Stuart Blanshard • Duncan Hemming-Tayler • Captain Frank Holmes (Chairman)
David Jordan (Treasurer) • Doreen Kaye • Margaret Raymond (Vice Chairman)
Stan Raymond (Chairman Planning Committee) • Elizabeth Robinson • Jean Wood

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The Queen's Diamond Wedding Exhibition Involving the Whole Community

Trevor Green with the West Ella Preservation Society display.

From left to right Cllrs. Duncan Hemming-Tayler, Elizabeth Robinson, Jean Wood, Stan Raymond, Margaret Raymond, David Davis M.P., Doreen Kaye and Frank Holmes Chairman of the Parish Council.

The Land Army ladies made a Diamond Wedding cake to include in their display of memorabilia from the 1940s & 50s.

The Women's Institutes in the area make an impressive display.

The Chairman of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Cllr. Barbara Jefferson J.P. supported the event and presented Mr. & Mrs. Southern with a bouquet of flowers as they, like the Queen, were also celebrating their Diamond Wedding.

The Guides, Brownies, Cubs & Scouts display.

Cllr. Jean Wood, with raffle prizes, busy fund-raising at the Diamond Wedding Coffee Morning.

Our M.P. admiring ancient historical artefacts displayed by Barry Freeman & Stan Raymond.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

to be held at the

West Ella Methodist Church, West Ella

on Wednesday 7th May at 7.30 p.m.

All residents of Kirk Ella and West Ella are invited. We promise to give your ideas full consideration.

Ongoing Activities of Your Parish Councillors for the Benefit of the Community

Cllr. Stan Raymond, the Planning Committee Chairman makes a site visit before making a planning recommendation.

Cllrs. Elizabeth Robinson and Duncan Hemming-Tayler, members of the Parish Council Flood Working Group, studying maps of the drainage system for Kirk Ella and West Ella. These have been provided by the Yorkshire Water Authority, the Environment Agency, and the East Riding Council. Checks are currently being made on the street drains.

NEW IDEAS

Plans are in hand for the Parish Council to have its own website. An expert has been contacted to create this and guidance sought on this new venture. You will be able to access the latest information on various aspects of the Parish Council activities from the beginning of April on

www.kirkella-westella-pc.info

We are indebted to Mandy Pickering, our most conscientious Parish Clerk, for her continued loyalty and dedication to her work

Cllr. Stuart Blanshard at the opening of the Skateboard Park which is available for our local teenagers. The Council supports this facility with an annual donation of upto £750 towards its upkeep.

This year's new position for the Parish Council Christmas tree was in the churchyard.

Cllr. Margaret Raymond working on the Annual Parish Report.

Written and compiled by Councillors Margaret Raymond and Doreen Kaye
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