

## Ashby Cum Fenby

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## News and Views - Spring 2026





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## St. Peter's Church Parochial Church Council

The year has started well for us with a hotly contested Quiz Evening in January followed by the ever popular Murder Mystery event in February. A 'sell out', there were more 'characters' than ever and a great night was had by all.



Forthcoming events include :

Beetle Drive - March 18th

Coffee Morning - April 5th - Crafts, raffle and yummy cakes!

Easter Egg Hunt - Easter Weekend and Church service

Bingo - April 15th

We hope to see lots of you at these events and THANK YOU for your continued and invaluable support. Our next project is complete refurbishment of the toilets in the Church Hall in March.

N.B. Change of date : Prosecco and strawberries event now **August 5th**

## Chairman's Report - Spring 2026

After a bleak, grey, wet and thoroughly miserable winter I feel a sense of optimism in the air. Now we look forward to longer days and hopefully more sunshine as spring starts to make its presence felt. The village seems to come alive with clusters of snowdrops and daffodils majestically lining our verges. Talking of verges, it is a great pity that visitors to our lovely village do not show more respect when parking their vehicles. The verges all around the village are a disgrace where unauthorised and selfish parking has created deep muddy ruts and in some instances flattened the daffodils. We have been invited to take part in the Best Kept Village competition but in view the above and other unsightly areas of the village the PC has decided not to proceed with an application this time round.

We are agreeing the final specification of the new noticeboard with the manufacturers (you will recall we have secured a grant to pay in full for the replacement to the existing noticeboard) and hopefully it will be installed before the summer.

We are all aware that fly tipping is an increasingly serious problem and we have been provided with a number of "Do Not Fly Tip" signs which members of the PC have erected at strategic points in and around the village. Let us hope they have an impact on the wilful criminals that ruin our countryside!!

Most residents will have fond memories of Royce and Jenny Hornby who invested a great deal of their lives to making Ashby cum Fenby a desirable place to live. Their daughters plan to purchase a memorial bench and install it in the vicinity of the church where their parents devoted so much time. The exact location is yet to be agreed due to the impact of flooding in the vicinity of the church.

I am pleased to report that members of the PC have secured additional advertising for News & Views and this helps the publication to continue to be self-financing.

Our thanks and appreciation goes to Carol Shaw who has taken on the responsibility for organising the layout and content of News & Views and preparing it for printing.

You all know where we are if you have a problem you would like to discuss with the PC and we would welcome your attendance at our monthly meetings even if you come just to sit in and listen to the proceedings.

John Shaw

Chair

Ashby cum Fenby Parish Council



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## SNOWDROPS

It's that time of year when beautiful snowdrops appear

For months they have been dormant in the ground

Hiding away nowhere to be found

Their white petals tell us that spring is on the way

They liven up even the coldest greyish day

When snowdrops appear you know it won't be long

Before the daffodils begin to sing their song

The white and yellow brighten our countryside

Enjoy them while you can before they slip away and hide

The days lengthen and the sun becomes stronger

Summer is round the corner and the days become longer

But don't waste a moment don't waste a single day

Enjoy every second and remember how quickly life passes away

Autumn and then winter will be here in nature's endless merry go round

Another year will pass and the snow drops will push themselves out of the ground.



**John Shaw, February 2026**

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## The Wray Almshouses

The Wray Almshouses, which are near to St Peter's Church, Ashby cum Fenby, were originally constructed in the 1640s. They are also known as Bede Cottages. The almshouses are managed by the trustees of the Almshouse Charity of Dame Francis Wray and Sir Christopher Wray, which is registered with the Charity Commission. There is an endowment through a rent charge on land at Barnoldby le Beck of £30 per annum. This was a significant amount of money in 1641 when it was set up but unfortunately the amount has not changed since then. The almshouses were modernised and reduced from six to four cottages in the 1960s when internal water supplies, bathroom and toilet facilities were provided. In 2014 the old toilet block was converted into a laundry. The four almshouses that are there now are not very big, but the accommodation must have felt really small when there were six of them occupying the same area.

The trustees are now carrying out further modernisation. The fireplaces, which occupied a significant part of the floor area and which could not be used safely, are being removed. New windows and improved wall insulation together with new kitchen and bathroom facilities are being installed. It is hoped that the appearance of the front of the cottages closest to the church can be improved by moving the clothes lines and some of the bins to the area furthest from the main entrance gate.

Roger Carter, Trustee, Wray Almshouses Trust



## Carol's Corner.....Just for fun....

**How does the man in the moon cut his hair?**

**Eclipse it.**

**I recently turned down a job because they said they'd only pay me in vegetables.**

**The celery was unacceptable.**

**I re-labelled all the jars in my husband's spice rack.**

**I'm not in trouble yet but the thyme is cumin.**

**Went to this costume party dressed up as a screwdriver.**

**Turned a few heads.**

**What do you call it when James Bond takes a bath?**

**Bubble 07.**

**I burnt my Hawaiian pizza last night.**

**Next time I've got to put it on aloha setting.**

**Why do cows have hooves instead of feet?**

**They lactose.**

**My wife said she's leaving me because of my Star Wars addiction.**

**May divorce be with you.**

**The UK Budgerigar Society are pleased to announce their new Chairman, Hugh Zapritti-Boyden.**

## Thank you!

My thanks go out to Val Shaw for her beautiful front cover photo of the snowdrops in our lovely village. Spring has well and truly sprung!

Val's photo ties in very well with John Shaw's well written poem about snowdrops. Thanks to John for sending this in.

Thanks also to Roger Carter for his very interesting article about the Almshouses situated near St. Peter's Church and to Nick Shaw for the photograph taken early one sunny morning!