



WELCOME TO OUR AUTUMN 2026 NEWSLETTER

As the leaves begin to turn and we move into autumn, we hope you have enjoyed the summer in Heworth Without Parish. It has been another busy few months for the Parish Council, with community activities, events and our Summer Garden Competition. We are delighted to share this year's competition results, celebrate the wonderful gardens across the parish and looked ahead to the events planned for the months ahead. For the latest news and updates, please visit www.heworthwithout.org.uk or our Facebook page. Your views and ideas are important to us, so please get in touch.

Looking Back: A Wonderful Summer of Community

We are absolutely delighted to see so many families taking part in our fantastic summer activities this year! Our **Summer Sports Days** at the Stray Road Playing Field, were an absolute triumph, featuring 16 free multi-sport sessions delivered to the community over 6 weeks delivered in partnership with **Ignite Sports Coaching and York Rugby League Foundation Club**. The event saw a wonderful turnout of kids of all age groups, with dedicated sessions for under 8s and those 8 years and over.

The momentum continued with our FREE **Yorkshire Day Fun** on Saturday 1st August 2026, where families came together to enjoy the Yorkshire Day picnic while children of all ages participated in the entertaining school sports day-style sessions hosted by **Ignite Sports Coaching**.

Shape The Future of Heworth Without: Following formal approval of the Neighbourhood Plan area by the City of York Council, we are bringing together a Panel to help shape the future of our parish. The Plan will consider housing, green spaces, biodiversity and future development across the whole parish, including valued local assets such as Stray Road Play Area, our playing fields, Jubilee Woods and community allotments.

Over the coming months, the Panel will gather local information, consult residents and develop planning policies to help ensure future development respects our community and local character, with a vision extending to 2038.

Would you like to get involved or share your views? Please contact our Parish Clerk via www.heworthwithout.org.uk. Your local knowledge matters – help us shape the future of Heworth Without!

Autumn & Winter – Dates for Your Diary

Friday 30 October 2026 | FREE Children's Halloween Discos

Bookings will go live 5th October 2026
Heworth Without Community Centre •
Early Years & Year 1: 4:00–5:00pm |
Years 2–3: 5:15–6:30pm |
Years 4–6: 6:45–8:00pm

Saturday 5 December 2026 | Christmas Festival

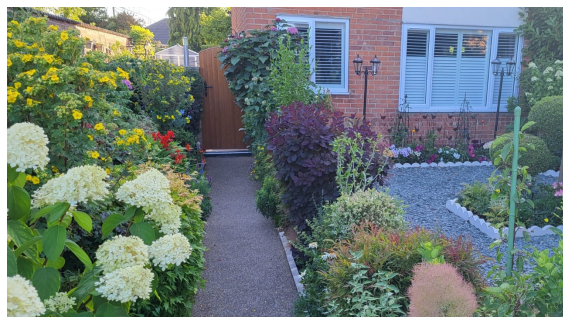
Bookings will go live 5th November 2026
Heworth Without Community Centre •
1:00–4:00pm • Open to all ages

Halloween Note:

If you would like to hand out treats to local trick-or-treaters on 31st October, please consider keeping a visible decoration or some Halloween themed light on to indicate that you are happy to welcome visitors. It would also be wonderful if you could keep a few non-dairy options on hand for any children who may have a lactose intolerance!



SUMMER GARDEN COMPETITION 2026: A huge congratulations to all our winners. **The gardens were judged by Councillor Asha Basu, Councillor David Gibbon and the team at Deans Garden Centre, York, part of Yorkshire Garden Centre.** Each winner received a £20 gift voucher, kindly donated by Deans Garden Centre. Thank you to everyone who took part and helped make Heworth Without's front gardens so colourful, welcoming and inspiring.



BEST FRONT GARDEN
Mrs Jacqueline Hopkins
20 Springfield Close



BEST FLORAL DISPLAY
Mr Richard E Knowles
1 Ash Close



BEST GARDEN ART DISPLAY
Keith & Linda Sykes
3 Applecroft Road



BEST CONTAINER FRONT GARDEN-
Mr Derek Hill,
14 Algarth Road



BEST BIODIVERSITY GARDEN
Mr Brent Fiddeman
34 Ashley Park Road

SPECIAL MENTIONS

A special mention also goes to the gardens at
23 Springfield Way and 75 Springfield Way.

Congratulations to everyone involved.

Looking Ahead To 2027 – Garden Competitions: *Our Spring and Summer Garden Competitions will return in 2027.* There is no need to enter – all parish properties are automatically included. Simply get your garden looking its best for judging in March and July.

Planned categories: Overall Best Front Garden; Best Front Garden inc Containers/Hanging Baskets/Window Boxes; Best Containers and Pots; Best Walled Garden; Best Wildlife/Biodiversity Garden.

We are looking for gardens that bring colour and character to our streets while demonstrating sustainable gardening and support for wildlife. Categories may change slightly to reflect seasonal and weather conditions. There is also a possibility that back gardens may be considered in 2027, with residents submitting photographs for consideration and judges potentially visiting. This remains work in progress and we welcome ideas. Yorkshire Garden Centre will continue to sponsor the competition and provide gift vouchers for the winners.

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL: Heworth Without Parish Council meets on the third Monday of each month at Heworth Without Community Centre, 38 Applecroft Road, York YO31 0HG. Meetings begin at 7:00pm. Whether you have a concern, an idea for the community, or simply want to find out what we are working on, we would love you to come along. Your input helps shape the future of our parish.

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