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Congratulations to Richard Marsland and Lesley Beech, who were married at All Saints Church on Saturday 24th January.

Richard and Lesley now live in Don-gara, Western Australia but Richard is originally from Holme. The pair met at Harper Adams Agricultural College and emigrated to Australia in 2008. They're bridesmaids were their daughters Jessica and Abigail, the best man was Richard's brother, David.



The ceremony was followed by a fantastic flyover. The aeroplanes in the display were Miles Magister flown by Les Clark, Ronaldson Condor flown by Andy Chadwick, Ryan PT 22 flown by Charles Sunter, Fokker Triplane flown Geoff Kline and Bucker Jungman flown by John Dixon.



What's on

Saturday, 21 March

Quiz with fish and chips in the Old School. Starting at 7pm.
Tickets are £8 and must be purchased before the day. Available from church members (see posters). In aid of church funds.

Saturday, 18 April

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Saturday 2nd May

Tour de Yorkshire

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Tour de Yorkshire

The Tour De Yorkshire will be riding through Holme on Spalding Moor on Saturday 2nd May around 11 am.

The road will be closed from about 10am. The tour will be coming from Selby, travelling down Selby road and along the High street heading out towards Market Weighton.

We shall be decorating the whole of Selby road and the High street with turquoise and yellow bunting. I'm hoping that all the households and businesses along the way will get involved.

Please feel free to fill your gardens with balloon's, banner's, flag's etc. to give an encouraging welcome to our cycling visitors.

There will be "things" going on in the village on the day, so please look out for posters which will be put up soon, you can also follow us on Facebook by liking our "Tour De Holme" page.

There will also be another great "tribute night" in the village hall on the Saturday evening, more details to follow.

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Hungry Hippo's Food Review

Cathy's Holme Village Café & Takeaway, Holme on Spalding Moor

Holme is where the heart is and we visited Holme on Spalding Moor to try a breakfast from the recently taken over Cathy's Café on the village green. A very pretty little café it is too, situated in the heart of the village which boasts the longest High Street in East Yorkshire! The café looks right onto the green with its attractive flower beds, bench and marvelous Information Board, displaying the history and interesting facts of the village. The café has outside seating and come the warmer weather, we can certainly see ourselves sat chatting and enjoying refreshments. Although it appeared the temperature was not putting anyone off when we visited, there was people sat outside doing just that, in February! The village was bustling and busy with Saturday morning shoppers.

Inside to the warmth we went, and a lovely warm welcome we got too, from Cathy herself as we sat ourselves down and perused the board. We

plumped for the Full English Breakfast £4.95 and the Veggie Breakfast also £4.95, Tea £1.50 and Latte £1.90 which came in lovely big mugs. Whilst we waited for the food to be cooked, Cathy brought us a plate of hot buttered toast and individual portions of jam and marmalade to be going on with, a nice touch. The food soon arrived, the Full English consisted of two sausages, two rashers of bacon, an egg, a slice of black pudding, 1 hash brown, mushrooms, beans and tomatoes whilst the Veggie consisted of 2 veggie sausages, 1 hash brown, 1 egg, beans, tomatoes, mushrooms and was all piping hot and delicious, although one Hippo would have preferred a grilled tomato instead of tinned. Cathy also brought extra toast and asked if we needed any drinks. There was Heinz ketchup and HP sauce on the table. Whilst eating we saw a steady stream of customers coming and going, some sat outside, some came in for takeaway food, others just had a cuppa and a chat, it was all very pleasant and friendly.

Cathy's is also very popular for lunch,

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on the specials board was Cottage Pie and Sausage Casserole, both £4.00 and Bacon Brie and Cranberry Panini £3. Cathy's also has a deli counter selling sandwiches, cream cakes, sausage rolls, fresh bread and milk amongst other things, although I believe this is being removed soon to make way for more tables which I believe will be filled easily.

The café itself is very clean and tidy with lovely café-themed decorations and a great view of the village High

Street where you can see all the comings and goings of village life. A recent improvement has been the altering of the access to the toilet, facilities were noted to be good.

We rate the Café to be very good value for money and our scores were an average of 9/10. A good score indeed!

Cathy's serves breakfast and lunch and is open Sunday 9.30am – 2pm, Closed Monday, Tuesday to Friday 8.30am – 2pm and Saturday 7.30am – 2pm.

Cathy's Holme Village Café & Takeaway

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Pig Diary

Finally, I have found time to make a contribution following a very hectic winter. Thankfully the weather has been very kind, although as I write this piece, the weather is very bleak; sun, wind, rain, sleet, hail and snow and all in one day and we have just officially entered spring. We have had a lot of pigs born over winter, especially on Christmas day morning when we had nearly 900 pigs born, that kept us busy and away from our Christmas dinners until tea time. Luckily it did not freeze, so at least we didn't have to water all the pigs as well. My seven year old son was desperate to come to the pigs on Christmas morning, as I pointed out that he wouldn't get his presents until late on Christmas day. He simply looked non plused and said "pigs have be done first Dad", a very proud moment for me and hopefully in another 10 years, I will be able to have Christmas day off and send my deputy instead.

My wife was very poorly over the Christmas period and ended up in hospital on Christmas day. This made getting to the pigs on Boxing Day impossible, so I'd like to say a big thank you to Steve and Phil, who volunteered to come in on their day off to tend to the pigs. Well done lads.

In late November, I received a frantic

phone call off someone asking if it was true that we were weaning our pigs (removing the piglets from their mothers) at 14 days of age. I thought this was a strange accusation because anyone with a small amount of pig knowledge would know that on a 3 week batch system, such as we operate, or anyone who has operated this system would know that this is unfeasible. As the pigs farrow every 21 days, it is almost impossible to wean them any sooner than 21 days, and as a member of the RSPCA Freedom Food scheme, we are forbidden from weaning anything under 21 days. So the next batch of pigs that we weaned I wrote out the exact age of every litter, all 170 of them, just to prove we are complying with the freedom foods guideline. The average age of the pigs we wean are 26.5 days of age and weigh on average 7.8kgs.

Ginger Update

Well Ginger has delivered 7 healthy ginger piglets, not the double figure I had hoped for but she's been a wonderful mum and as ever, is very proud of her brood. She reared them brilliantly, then had a rest and is hopefully pregnant again! She is due to have a pregnancy scan next week, fingers crossed!

We have a new part-time member of

staff, from up north, while we all think the weather is bitterly cold, he points out that in the north, these would be considered as warm spring days and we would be considered as southern softies.

Funny Stories

Joe, who works for me (nicknamed tripod) was cutting some scrap huts up with the mobile generator and the grinder one day when the phone rang, "I need the hut moving as I can't reach the last hut, baffled I asked "why not". Joe replied "my extension lead is not long enough", taken aback, I pointed out that he could move the mobile

generator nearer the hut, silence then "ah I never thought of that".

Ben, another lad who works for me, then went to help pack up the tools and put the generator in the back of the truck. He promptly shut the back window, but unfortunately he hadn't put the generator into the truck far enough and it went straight through the glass window. However, I have a feeling that Ben's luck is about to change, a couple of the other lads have registered him on some dating websites, so here's hoping Benji. I will keep you posted of any developments.

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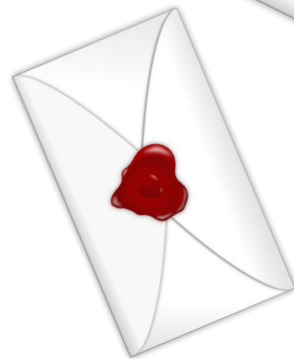
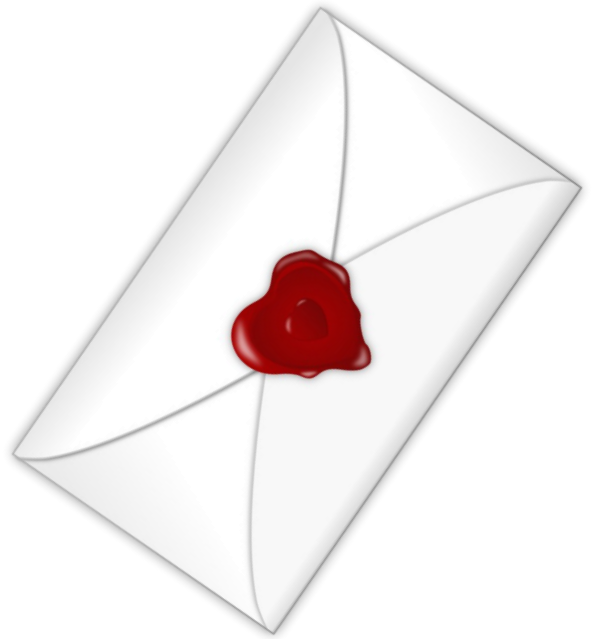
Be My Valentine

The sound of music was so good,
people dancing, some were stood.
Then with friends a pretty girl,
sends my thoughts all in a whirl.
When she turned our eyes did meet,
A secret smile that was so sweet.

Then with a sparkle in her eye.
A little blush, a breathless sigh.
As I approach that secret look.
And yes my heart, she took.

With gushing words I tried to speak,
what came out was like a squeak.
Then with words, not like mine.
Will she be my valentine ?

Farmer T.



Holme upon Spalding Moor Local History Society

Monday 19th January 2015	The Map and Sundial Maker, William Watson of Seaton Ross. Andrew Sefton
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Monday 15th June	Battle of Stamford Bridge Chris Rock

All meetings start at 7pm in the Social Club, all welcome, admission: £2.

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THE BICYCLE!

By local writer: Karl Sheridan

Garry spotted the bicycle straightaway and headed unwaveringly towards it. It was a beautiful bike - and stood out as being quality both in design and style. It was the sort of bike he had always wanted even as a lad.

Glancing round he realised no one was watching him and so he touched it, his hands gently stroking the bright red metal-flake paint of its lightweight frame. It was a smasher of a bike and he could see himself on it already, his legs pushing the light alloy pedals, his hands gripping the custom grips of the polished handlebars, the wind in his face as he rode.

It was a beautiful bike - he could see that: and expensive too. He gazed at it, his hand resting on the leather contoured saddle and saw it had eighteen gears - eighteen gears! You'd never be struggling with eighteen gears no matter what the terrain threw at you.

No, this was daft he thought to himself, glancing round yet again and finding there still wasn't anyone around. 'But it's something you've always wanted,' his inner voice pointed out, 'and it's just resting there unsecured almost as if it was meant for you.'

Garry shook his head wrestling with his conscience, after all at twenty-two he was old enough to know better than give in to an unwarranted impulse like this. But it was a beautiful bike all the same: a bike you would treasure, a bike that you

could be proud of.

He stepped back and regarded it from a distance, knowing full well he should walk away and forget all about it, but he couldn't, he just couldn't. He had fallen in love with it.

'How often does an opportunity like this come along,' his inner voice pointed out. 'It's a one in a million chance,' it cajoled. 'Its fate, kismet or whatever people call it that *you* and *it* are here at this moment in time . . .'

Garry's eyes eagerly roamed over the bike taking in the ornate name on the crossbar and recognising it to be one of the leading manufacturers: no wonder it looked so good. He noted that it had disc brakes too, not the old fashioned rubber-block brakes of yesteryear - this machine was designed as the ultimate in technology. No getting away from it, it was a beautiful bike - a dream bike.

He gazed into the distance almost feeling the breeze as he envisaged cycling through the country lanes near his home: he and the bike working as a team . . . as one. Garry shook his head fighting the inevitable - he had to have the bike, just had to.

Still unobserved he lifted the bike and almost drooled - it was so light, almost like a racing frame would be, probably a carbon-fibre frame most like. This bike would not require any additional effort up steep hills: this bike was designed to enjoy, designed to thrill, designed for speed,

designed for him. His mouth felt dry and his heart was racing – this was so wrong – he should walk away and resist the temptation: but he wanted it so badly, so very badly.

‘Go on . . .’ his inner voice goaded, ‘it’s almost as if it was made for you.’

No! Garry fought against it. It was wrong to give into things like this, he thought sensibly. It would lead on to other things in the future, and then where would he be? But it was a beautiful bike nevertheless and he really, *really* wanted it like nothing else – Aw, what the hell, do it, go for it!

Peddling down the street Garry’s heart soared. The bike was like a dream and so light that he felt he was floating across the tarmac. Guilt gnawed away him but he firmly shoved it to the far-

thest reaches of his mind: why shouldn’t HE have something that he couldn’t afford for once – what was the harm, and he’d look after it properly. The tyres almost sang as Garry peddled hard up the incline towards home, the wind in his face, the joy in his heart. So what if he had deprived someone else of the bike, he deserved it, and it was tough luck on them and anyway, he’d seen it first.

Okay, he had felt panic like never before and had felt the prickle of perspiration under his armpits as he had handed the salesman his Barclaycard, and okay he knew it would take forever to pay off, but then what was life if you couldn’t treat yourself to something you really, really wanted once in a while!

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History of Baldry's Coaches

To understand the origins of Baldry's Coaches we need to travel back to 1946, when Arthur (my granddad) and Sydney (my dad) acquired the nurseries on High Street in HOSM (where Meadowfield housing estate is now) and opposite what was Mr Burley's agricultural contractors and engineers. The nursery business was owned previously by Messers, Harebell and Garvie and consisted of greenhouses and a green grocers shop. They also supplied seed to farmers such as swede, turnip and carrot. Arthur and Sydney Baldry employed many local people over the years and expanded the business by acquiring Chapel Farm at Welham Bridge circa 1951. I remember the place well, for in 1953, when I was 3 years old, I fell down the front steps of the house and broke my leg, resulting in a 7 week stay in hospital. In 1958/59 Major Bridge farm at Water End was acquired and Welham Bridge was sold to Mr Gillard and his son

Trevor. In 1965 I left school and also moved to Major Bridge Farm. At this time the nurseries on High Street had been sold to the Council for building.

Major Bridge Nurseries, as it was now re-named, developed over the years and grew



Allan aged 3



many things including; carnations, chrysanthemums and autumn and Christmas flowering plant varieties. We also grew 25,000 cyclamen plants each year for the Christmas Markets and my dad also started a mail order service for small plants, however, he soon got fed up of wrapping six plants in a small box and posting them out!!! At Major Bridge Nurseries we also grew tomatoes, lettuce and cucumbers for the wholesale markets at Hull, Leeds, Barnsley and Newcastle. My job was delivering produce with the lorry after a full day's work in the greenhouses. Every night setting off at 6.00pm I took a loaded lorry to the wholesale market, usually returning around 10.00pm, or later from Newcastle. We employed many female workers over the years and one stands out from the rest as she is still here! This was Sandra. She became my wife in 1972.

In 1974 discussions took place as to whether I wanted to keep on with the greenhouses or sell up and buy a farm. We decided to carry on and modernise the business. So in 1975 a new greenhouse was ordered, which was in its day a large one, covering 1 acre of land and had state of the art heating pipes. We also ordered a new boiler, which could supply heating to four greenhouses in total. In hindsight, this decision was the wrong one! Around about 1980, things started to go wrong with the wholesale markets, produce just wasn't selling! Instead of the wholesalers ordering 300 plus boxes of lettuce a day, we were lucky to sell 50! Also, the price of fuel for heating the greenhouses hit an all-time high. So, myself, Sandra and my sister Christine approached my dad with the idea of starting

a garden centre as we already had a good trade from the public, however, he would not entertain this. Sandra and I could definitely see that there was something wrong as we were the ones going to the wholesale markets every night. We now know that the problem was the growth of super-

HOSM. So it was decided that we would buy a coach and run it alongside working in the greenhouses to see if it was viable at this time. Only one person advised us against running coaches, my uncle Herbert Baldry, of Baldry's



markets. They closed many a green grocers shop and florists, and ruined many other small retailers as well. Sandra and I thought very hard about the future and what we could do instead of market gardening. After coming up with many ideas and consequently rejecting them we came up with the idea of running coaches. In the late 1960's I was a member of HOSM Young Farmers and took on the role of 'Social secretary'. I was also one of the founder members of the East Yorkshire Branch of the 'National Vintage Tractor and Engine Club' so over the years I gained vast experience of ordering coaches for days out and in those days, the only firm to hire coaches from was (yes you guessed correctly) 'Waby's Tours' of

of Newbald. Because as it turns out he had bought a coach in 1947, an Albion, bought brand new. He tried to put me off running coaches and said that instead we should buy a lorry as the coach was busy in the summer, but stood idle in the winter. But my mind was made up so coaches it was. Mr and Mrs Waby no longer ran large coaches, just minibuses and taxi's and they gave us a lot of support and advice in starting in the passenger transport business. Indeed, we got a lot of support from many other operators, especially Mr Ingleby from Ingle-

by's Luxury Coaches of Fulford, York.

After two years it was decided that my dad would sell the greenhouse business and we would concentrate on running coaches. Oh dear, what had we done? No contracts and only summer work! Then a new school contract came up, but we thought there would be no chance of us winning it due to other established businesses in the area. But whilst working on a coach in the garage one day, in walked Mr Clive Phillips of Phillips Coaches of Shipthorpe. Of course I knew this man as he had taken me and many others to school. He encouraged me to apply for the contract, which I did and was subsequently awarded it. When the greenhouses were sold we erected a new shed at the east side of the Leylandi bungalow, (formerly my granddad Arthur's house). At that time you did not need planning permission for agricultural buildings and my dad had asked the Council what we would need planning wise to run the coaches from here. He was told that no extra planning was required, to just go ahead and run the coach as we had been doing from Major Bridge Nurseries. Not getting this in writing turned out to be a huge mistake! Within 3 days of the coach arriving at the new yard, problems arose. "Sorry" we were told, "you need planning permission, not for the shed, but for change of use from agriculture to a coach operating centre". This was the start of my animosity towards the East Riding Council and it is the way that I still feel towards them today. We went to meeting after meeting, including full planning meetings. These were a joke! Council members were actually asleep and then woke up to vote on subjects that they

had never heard anything about! I could go on and on about the Council but this is altogether another story. Needless to say, we did eventually get the go-ahead to run our coach company from the new premises. We quickly added another coach and soon needed another. This came by way of a 45 seater, ex West Yorkshire fire brigade band coach, with only 45,000 miles on the clock. This is the coach that Sandra learned to drive in and when she passed her PSV test she said she would only do it to be a spare driver..... it just so happens that I needed this 'spare' driver every day on school runs. Sandra drove coaches just about every day up until 2012 when she gave up driving. We purchased Waby's Taxi's and Minicoach Company when it came up for sale on their retirement and continued to run the taxi's for around 10 years. This was until one New Years Eve, when it was extremely icy and Sandra was due in with a minibus at 3.00am but there was no sign of her. This was before mobile phones so we had no way of making contact. An hour later she pulled in to the yard and the decision was taken that night to cease all taxi operations.

My policy of buying older coaches, putting them in our own workshops, rebuilding the body work and refitting the interiors served us very well over the years, but the Council, again, in their wisdom, decided that all buses and coaches over 20 years old could not be used on any Council contracts. This, in my opin-

ion, has cost all of us as rate payers, thousands of pounds for no reason. It has also implemented the needless scrapping of many perfectly good vehicles. Two of our older coaches (a Bedford YMPS and an AEC Reliance) were in such good condition that they both found new homes in transport museums and are still being used to run heritage tours. We have retained two of our older vehicles, one of which was the second coach we ever acquired in 1984 from Ingleby's Luxury Coach-

21st century by introducing a new livery, e-mail and a website amongst other things. Who knows what the next 30 years will bring? This is only a brief history of our business and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who have been involved with us from the very first days of the greenhouse business right up to the present day of A & S Baldry Coaches. I would also like to thank you the passengers, who continue to support us



es, a Ford Plaxton Supreme that we have completely re-built, but unfortunately have not been able to use since because of the Council's silly ruling on age. The other is one of the last Bedford Plaxtons ever built, this we still use on private contracts, heritage tours and weddings. Our son Phillip and his wife Bev have now taken on the role of running A & S Baldry Coaches and have brought it in to the

hopefully for many more years yet. Thank you all very much.

Allan and Sandra Baldry (February 2015)

Foul play

May I firstly say a big thank you to all the dog walkers who pick up after their dogs.

However, may I register my disgust at all the irresponsible dog owners who walk their dogs on Sands Lane and let THEIR dogs foul the pathway. As a frequent visitor to Sands lane for the past couple of years, the problem has gone from bad to worse. The lane pathway is littered with the stuff. You cannot walk the pathway at night as you can guarantee standing in it. Those irresponsible owners know who they are, they're the ones that do not carry plastic bags with them. The stupid part is that the council provide them free of

charge. I am going to install a camera at the property I visit and will point it at the entrance to the drive where it meets the pathway. At night it will have infra red lights. If i see anyone letting their dogs foul the pathway I will report them and let the council have a copy of the recording. These offenders want naming and shaming. I'm sure they wouldn't like it outside their properties splattered all over the pavement. That's why they walk their dogs at night down Sands Lane. I will be watching for them.

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Growing your own food is becoming more and more popular these days. Not only do you get to provide yourself with some great chemical free vegetables, but you also get some exercise in the process, as well as an opportunity to save money! Supermarket vegetables are sometimes ok, but they all look and taste the same! Home grown vegetables beat supermarket vegetables for taste every day of the week!

It's easy to get started and there are lots of places you can grow plants, even if you don't have a garden.

Why grow your own?

More people are getting interested in growing their own fruit and vegetables, for many different reasons:

- it could save you money on expensive items like salad leaves
- gardening is a cheap form of exercise and a great way to burn calories and get some fresh air in the process
- it helps children understand where food comes from, how it is grown and the benefits of eating home grown:

- growing your own can help you get your five-a-day portions of fruit and vegetables
- you'll become more aware of what's in season, so you may find it easier to choose seasonal food when you go shopping
- gardening can be a sociable activity which involves you in your local community
- it can help to reduce stress

Growing plants at home

You may only have an area of decking, a small balcony, or even just a little space on the windowsill, but it needn't stop you taking your first steps to growing your own!. You can grow herbs indoors or salad leaves and some vegetables outside in a pot.

If you have a garden but no space for a dedicated food plot, you can try planting fruit or vegetables amongst your flowers!

Don't be afraid to ask a neighbour with a large garden if you could cultivate a patch of ground, and maybe offer some of your produce in return.

Whatever or however you do it, if you've never grown your own give it a go this year. Roughly 80% of people who try it never go back! In fact most people get a little addicted! There's no greater feeling than sharing a meal with family and friends that has partly (or all) been grown and tendered for by your own two hands.

Visit Londesborough!

'The jewel in the crown of the Yorkshire Wolds'. Londesborough is truly a hidden treasure, saturated in history, with an abundance of wildlife and its only a stones throw from Holme! So, if you ever fancy a free day out, why not pay a visit to the timeless village of Londesborough. If you look towards the hills from Holme to the chalk quarry, move your eyes slightly right and there lies the famous Londesborough Country estate.

History

The village is steeped in history and has hardly changed in appearance for centuries. You won't find

conservatories, artificial infrastructure or any extensions here. The village is almost as it was hundreds of years ago.

In the 16th and early 17th century, the Londesborough estate belonged to the Clifford family, the Earls of Cumberland. The original house was built by the Earl of Cumberland in 1589.

In 1643 the last Earl, Henry Clifford, 5th Earl of Cumberland died. His only child Elizabeth had married Richard Burlington, 2nd Earl of Cork and thus the property passed to the Boyle family. In 1664 Richard Boyle was also created 1st Earl of Burlington. Robert Hooke was engaged to en-



large the house and the lay out of the formal gardens between 1679 and 1683. The 3rd Earl of Burlington, the principal patron of the Palladian movement in England and himself a noted architect, had alterations made to Londesborough by William Kent in the 1720s.



Snowdrops in the woods at Londesborough

In 1753, the 3rd earl died without a male heir.

Consequently, Londesborough passed to the Dukes of Devonshire, along with all many other properties, as his daughter Charlotte Cavendish, Marchioness of Hartington had married William Cavendish, soon to be the 4th Duke of Devonshire. In 1819, the 6th Duke of Devonshire, who had a superfluity of grand homes, a large running debt inherited from his father, and many other expensive interests to pay for, including his reconstruction of Chatsworth House, had Londesborough demolished. He transported much of the demolished hall to build the famous Chatsworth hall. He is said to have regretted this, and in 1839 he had a hunting box built on the estate, but in 1845, under mounting financial strain, he sold the whole Londesborough estate to the "Railway King" George Hudson.

Hudson's questionable financial practices soon brought about his ruin, and in 1849 he sold Londesborough to the banker Alfred Denison, who was created Baron Londesborough in 1850. Londesborough enlarged the hunting box to create a country house in the Elizabethan style. Hudson's son later became the Earl of Londesborough.

The Victorian house now survives in the ownership of the Ashwin's, who also manage the Londesborough estate.

For centuries the village had been popular with the Royal family, who often visited for holidays or sporting days. Cricket, bowls and hunting appeared to be the most popular. Edward VII who stayed numerous times

called the estate 'a true paradise on earth'.

Today there are lots of walks from the village centre, catering for both the strollers and the harden walkers. Wherever you walk you can take in the spooky history, the rich wildlife and the truly beautiful architecture of the chocolate box houses. Why drive for hours to somewhere, when you have such an enchanting place waiting to be explored, right on your doorstep! Last week alone, the village saw over 2000 visitors come to the village to experience the annual snowdrop Sunday!

The wildlife in Londesborough is second to none. The village is surrounded by both woodland, water and open pasture, meaning the wildlife is extremely diverse. It's not uncommon to catch a glimpse of a circling Red Kite or a deer strolling through the grave-yard!

Nature and people live peacefully side by side in Londesborough, a result of centuries of living in very close proximity to each other.

So give it a go this weekend. Park up in the village centre and set off walking in any direction. Why not bring a picnic and have a walk down to the lake, park, secret garden or the cricket pitch where you'll find the resident Alpaca's and miniature Donkey's! History, fresh air, amazing architecture, exercise, rich wildlife and much more, only 10 minutes up the road from Holme. It's a no brainer!

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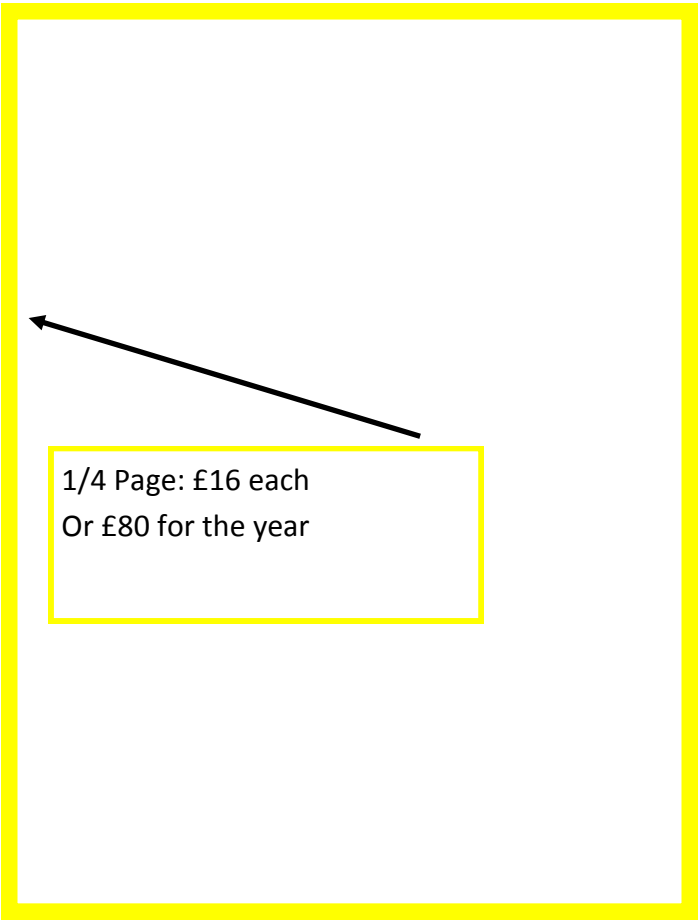
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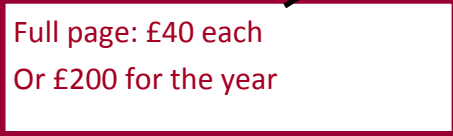
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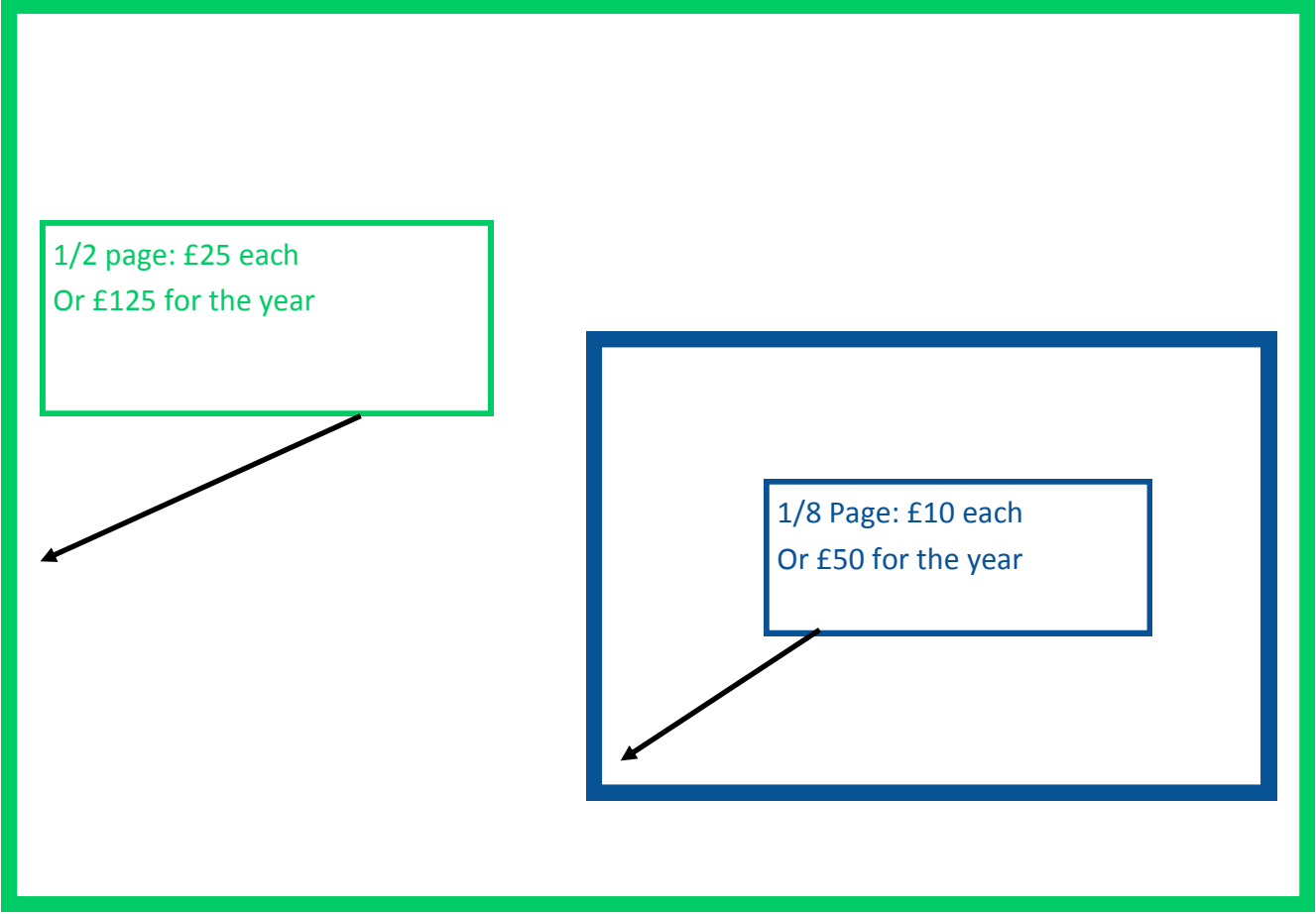
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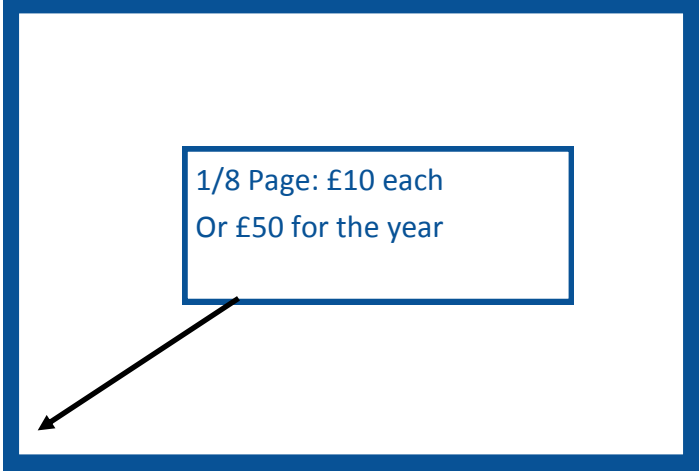
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