

Dear Loversall Resident,

At the Parish Council Meeting on 20th November 2025 serious issues and complaints were raised by a large number of residents. These issues were related to increased visitor numbers linked to Annabel's Café and the Church.

Residents expressed both anger and frustration with the effects of this increase in visitors to the village which included:

1. Increased traffic, congestion caused by inconsiderate parking and obstruction of residential access
2. A substantial increase in footfall, particularly on Bubup Hill and Rakes Lane with the bridlepath under increasing strain and significant erosion
3. A rise in noise levels, littering, anti-social behaviour, trespass, dog fouling and dogs being walked off their lead
4. Rising tensions between residents and visitors

It is our understanding that the same issues are also being reported by residents of both the nearby Plantation and Dominion estates.

These issues and the resulting discussions were witnessed by and included contributions from, two City of Doncaster Councillors and a senior council officer. They gave a commitment to find a solution. Since then, representations have also continued to be made by residents at the Parish Council meetings in both January and March.

Although, recent social media posts have suggested that no progress is being made, this could not be further from the truth. Since November, we have been working tirelessly with the Council to find a solution and in the meantime, to attempt to alleviate the traffic issues. To this end, Council and Police Officers have been in the village on several occasions to observe the issues first hand and to make interventions when called upon to do so. The Council has also been canvassing views from residents and if you have not already done so, we would urge you to respond to their recent questionnaire.

On Wednesday 6th May at 7pm the AGM of the Parish Council will take place, and a full public meeting will be held at which, City Council representatives will provide an update and take any questions. Again, we would urge you to attend, but should you be unable to do so or are unwilling to speak in public then, please submit your questions and comments to Joanne, the Parish Council Clerk, by email (clerk@loversallparishcouncil.gov.uk). Your views matter and are important to us. Rest assured that the Parish Council will continue to represent your interests and do their level best to secure a satisfactory solution to these issues for all residents.

We look forward to seeing you on 6th May or hearing from you by email.