

Hovingham Action Group

Status Report – September 2015

Hovingham Village Website - contact [Caroline Davis, Janice Wood, Phil Chapman or David Richardson](#).

- The website sponsored by the Action Group is in the process of major revision and updating. It is intended all local businesses and services will be added to provide a comprehensive source for local people and visitors to the area. Funding for the next 3 years has been secured.

Environment and Wildlife - contact [Ann Chapman or David Richardson](#)

- Further planting of bulbs is planned.
- Pruning of bushes on footpath adjacent to Malt Shovel has been completed.

Market - contact [Peter Stark](#)

- The market continues to be financially sound and ever more successful and there have been record turnouts. Credit goes to everyone who helps every month with the all the arrangements, putting the stalls up, taking them down and all the work that goes on behind the scenes. The Market Group should be congratulated for their efforts.
- Prior to the July market overnight thunderstorms flooded the car park and this caused problems trying to remove the water. Eventually a pump was supplied and the market continued without incident. The problem has hopefully been rectified
- New volunteers to help with the running of the market are always very welcome; any Community Group wanting to run a Community Stall should contact the Market Group.

Playground - contact [Ann Chapman, Carol Battersby, Rosemary Stewart or David Richardson](#)

- The playground was recently infected with two wasps nest. The Ryedale Council Pest Control officer attended and resolved the problem.
- The playground has also been subjected to wilful damage and we ask all residents when in the vicinity of the playground to keep a watchful eye and report anything untoward
- A recent inspection by an independent inspection company highlighted a number of minor issues which are being rectified.
- The playground is very popular and people come from far and wide, this does cause problems with car parking, but a solution is not easily found.
- It is important to note the Playground is self funded and issues such as the wasp's nests, damage and regular maintenance of equipment, grass & hedge cutting all cost money and are ongoing requirements. Donations, however small would be greatly appreciated.
- Contact us if you would like to be involved in various initiatives.

Neighbourhood Watch - contact [Phil Chapman](#)

- Regular emails and information on criminal activity from the police continue to be sent out. Villagers should be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the police.
- The playground (see above) has been subjected to damage and all residents when in the vicinity of the playground are asked to keep a watchful eye and report anything untoward

Snow clearing and Gritting - contact [Phil Chapman](#)

- A survey of grit bin locations in the village has been completed. NYCC will be asked to take care of filling the most important bins and the Action Group will look after the remainder.

Please contact any of the groups directly or via emails to action@hovingham.org.uk

David Richardson, 27 April 2017