Hovingham Action Group

Status Report – March 2016

Hovingham Village Website - contact Caroline Davis, Janice Wood, Phil Chapman or David Richardson.

• The current website is nearing the end of a major revision and updating with funding for the next 3 years secured. We are working on documents to go into the website and hope to have it up and running by April. The intention has always been to provide a comprehensive source of information for local people and visitors to the area.

Environment and Wildlife - contact Ann Chapman or David Richardson

- Winter is still with us, although spring is just round the corner. No serious snowfalls to report so far, however the chances are we may still get some snow before spring really arrives. If this occurs anyone willing to give an hour to shift snow from designated footpaths in the village will be made very welcome.
- Grit bins containing salt grit are strategically located in the village and will be kept topped up.

Market - contact Peter Stark or Caroline Davis

- At the February market we had heavy rain all day but yet again visitor numbers held up very well. The café in the hands of the Playground Group did exceedingly well.
- New volunteers to help with the running of the market are always very welcome and 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

- A quiet period although the playground and football pitch are still being used.
- The Playground is self funded and although funds were welcomed by running the café at the February market many issues such as damage, regular maintenance of equipment, grass & hedge cutting all have a cost 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

- A number of reported incidents in the village since the last report and certain items stolen. The police have attended and investigated but no action has been possible. The Parish Council are investigating what can be done to make the village more secure.
- Regular emails and information on criminal activity in Ryedale is received from the police and all residents should be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the police.

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

David Richardson, 05 July 2016