

The Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter

June 2016



Welcome to the Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter

February of this year marked the eighth anniversary of the initial publication of a community Newsletter in Hovingham and Scackleton, and this would seem to be as good time as any to take stock. Initially under the editorship of Gwyn Green (with invaluable support from Rob Thompson) it was produced monthly under the name of "HandS", an abbreviation of the names of the two villages. However, after three very successful years Gwyn handed over the reins to a small committee of four or five editors who continued the newsletter under the name of "The Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter" This is the 29th issue of the new editorial committee. The Newsletter, printed in York, is distributed free of charge by a loyal band of volunteers to every household in Hovingham and Scackleton. In addition, it is distributed by email to approaching 50 email addresses and is available on the villages' website, which has the advantage of it being in colour. It is financed very largely by its advertisers.

One of the frustrations of the editors is that they receive very little feedback. We don't know how many of the 250 or so copies are read avidly and how many are discarded unopened. Also, we are very aware of the fact that that we need fresh ideas. The work involved is not particularly onerous. We have a bi-monthly meeting, lasting about an hour, take our share of writing the editorial, proof reading, collecting the finished product from the printers and writing articles which interest us and which we think would interest the inhabitants of Hovingham and Scackleton. So, if you are a budding or aspiring journalist and can spare an hour or two each month, why not be in touch and bring new ideas to our Newsletter? *Eddie Lucas*

Thanksgiving Service for Monica Van Zeller - 7th June

There will be a short service of thanksgiving for Monica Van Zeller (née Trollope) who died on 29th April 2016, aged 94.

The service will be held on 7th June at 11.30 at Hovingham Church and afterwards at The Worsley Arms.

All are extremely welcome.

Pasture Lane Road Surface

The latest news is that Ryedale District Council's Legal Team have now served a notice on both Stirling Mortimer and Trilandium about the completion of the outstanding works. This includes completing the road surface. Residents are very much looking forward to completion of the road and footpath surface.

Graham Mason

Fracking Decision from NYCC Planning Committee

On 23rd May, the North Yorkshire County Council Planning Committee voted to **approve** the planning application to conduct a frack and produce unconventional shale gas at Kirby Misperton for 9 years. The votes were 7 for and 4 against. The Council received 4,375 letters of objection referencing material planning considerations eg setting a planning precedent; precautionary principle where there is uncertainty etc). There were 36 letters in support of the application. All of the Councillors on the Planning Committee represent areas outside of Ryedale. Here's how the Councillors voted:

Voted For:

- 1. Proposer Robert **Heseltine** (independent unaffiliated) Skipton East division
- 2. Seconder David Blades (Conservative) Romanby and Broomfield division
- 3. Andrew Lee (Conservative) Cawood and Saxton division
- 4. Clifford Lunn (Conservative) Selby Brayton division
- 5. Peter **Sowray** (Conservative) Easingwold division (Chair)
- 6. Cliff **Trotter** (Conservative) Pannal and Lower Wharfedale
- 7. Robert Windass (Conservative) Boroughbridge division.

Voted Against:

- 8. Proposer: John Blackie (NY Independent) Upper Dales division
- 9. Bill Hoult (Liberal Democrat) Knaresborough division
- 10. David Ireton (Conservative) North Craven division
- 11. Robert Packham (Labour) Sherburn in Elmet division

Caroline Davis

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The Church Roof Needs You

The Church of All Saints is a focal point in our beautiful village and is an essential part of village life. It is a Grade 2 listed building with Saxon origins and the Church community has to fund the maintenance and it running costs. Sir William generously pays for ongoing small general repairs, but it falls to the very small Church congregation to raise all other funds. We try to get support from all sources and did apply for grant aid last year that was unsuccessful and we are trying again this year. For the last two years we have been fundraising to pay for essential repairs to the Church roof. The last estimate was for over £25000 and we have raised £13000 towards this amount.

To continue to raise funds the following events are planned for this year: -



Coffee in the Garden - 10.30 - 12.30

18th June - Barn Court, Mossburn Drive 25th June - Garden Cottage, Cawton 9th July - Northfield House, Hovingham

Car Boot Sale

August Bank Holiday Monday 29th August

Safari Supper

Planned for later in the year and if you would be interested in joining us please telephone 01653 628386

The PCC would welcome you at these events and be grateful and appreciative of your support. Graham and Jackie Mason



Hovingham Cricket Club

Hovingham Cricket Club



You might not know but Hovingham has 3 cricket teams. Two teams in the York Senior Cricket league who play on a Saturday and an evening League team who play on a Thursday night in the Ryedale Becket League.

Hovingham cricket club are looking for cricketers!

Getting three teams together every week is not always easy so If you a fancy a game on a Saturday or a Thursday night get in touch, any ability welcome!

We are also on the lookout for scorers and umpires (fee negotiable).

Do call *Jon Rooke* 07932065146 if you are interested in getting involved with our small, friendly village club.

Hovingham Cricket Club Fixtures can be found online:

Hovingham 1st XI Saturday fixtures

http://www.cricketresultscentre.com/ydscl/fixtures.php?Division ID=

Hovingham 2nd XI Saturday fixtures

http://www.cricketresultscentre.com/ydscl/fixtures.php?Division ID=31

Hovingham evening League fixtures

http://ryedalebeckettlge.play-cricket.com/website/web_pages/6690

Hovingham Tennis Club Update

Junior Coaching for children between 5 & 10 years old - with Mark Franklin, our LTA Level 4 coach Following the recent success of coaching 35 juniors, we are holding two more sessions.

Firstly at the Hovingham Village Market on Saturday 2nd July - to coincide with Wimbledon Fortnight - In one hour slots from 10.30 to 13.30 (sponsored by the Market and Tennis Club and FREE to children). You can come on the day but it is best to book with the secretary fiona.bennett@gmail.com

Coaching for over 35's - beginning in September

Secondly from Monday 22nd August to Friday 26th from 2.30pm until 3.30pm at £4 per hour.

With a grant from the LTA for coaching we will offer 6 sessions for beginners and 6 rusty racket sessions.

We have an A and B team in our league and have had contrasting results. The A team being at the top of the division and the B team at the bottom! The B team have just been promoted to Division 2 and are still finding their feet.

Anyone who would like to join the club, please contact the secretary; our annual fees are very reasonable and I think the cheapest in the region!

Murray Stewart, Chairman

The Royal British Legion has called for nation-wide recognition of this July 1st, being the first day of the battle of the Somme which is bloodiest day in the history of the British Army and they believe, has come to symbolise the tragic futility of war.

Its 100th anniversary will commemorate the service and sacrifice of those who lost their lives in the battle, and to reflect upon the human cost of conflict and to have hope for a more peaceful world.

Hovingham Branch of the Royal British Legion will be marking the anniversary on July 1st with two events.

At 7.30am, the church bell will toll out across the village for two minutes, followed by a silence then four single tolls.

At 6.00pm, there will be a 15 minute, simple, ecumenical service at the War Memorial. Please assemble by 5.55pm (inside the church if wet). It will include a poem, a prayer, Last Post and Reveille. Central to the commemoration will be the laying of four ceramic poppies from the Tower of London by local young people, one for each Hovingham man killed, while a summary of their home and service life is read out. Anyone wishing to commemorate a relative who has died in any war will be offered a Poppy Cross on which to write a message before placing it on the wall in front of the memorial.

FOUR HOVINGHAM MEN DIED ON THE SOMME IN 1916

Arnold Coultas (22) + Reginald Dawson (22) Robert Watt (44) + Arthur Wray (22)

The 141-day Battle of the Somme began on July 1st 1916. With 1,500,000 casualties on all sides this battle symbolises the tragic futility of the First World War.

At 7.30am, the time the attack began, the church bell will toll for two minutes, followed by four strikes.

Hovingham Branch, The Royal British Legion invite you to reflect on their sacrifice at a brief, simple service at

the War Memorial 6.00pm, Friday 1st July



For more information, please contact RBL branch secretaryRob Thompson on 628640 or e-mail to ardnamurchan75@btinternet.com

Market News - Here comes the Sun

After months of battling with the wind and rain on Market day, our May Market was blessed with glorious weather. We had many "early bird" visitors resulting in one of our stallholders selling out within half an hour of our official start time.

Attractions included the return of the wood fired pizza oven; local Blacksmith artist David Stephenson and new guest stalls selling hand made crochet items, cut flowers and natural skincare products. The Hovingham War Memorial Restoration Project attracted much interest as did the Rare Breed Sheep Open Day taking place the following day.





Our next market is on Saturday 4th June. We hope that many of our Market visitors will make the most of the opportunity to visit Hovingham Hall either on Market day or during June.

Looking ahead to July, we're jointly sponsoring professional tennis coaching for children aged 5-10 years old. You can pick up an application at the June Market or contact Murray, the Hovingham Tennis Club Chairman at murray@murraystewart.co.uk or Tel 01653 628741. *Caroline Davis*

If you'd like to be added to our monthly mailing, contact: themarket@hovingham.org.uk

Archbishop Sentamu's Visit

It's not every day we welcome an Archbishop to one's church but we had that privilege on Friday 13th May. Archbishop Sentamu spent the day in the benefice as part of his 6-month Pilgrimage of Prayer, Witness & Blessing across the Diocese of York which started on 1st December 2015 and ended on 22nd May this year.

The Archbishop walked from Slingsby, where he had spent the afternoon at the village school before arriving in Hovingham accompanied by parishioners to lead an evening prayer at All Saints' Church. This consisted of a meditation on the Lord's Prayer.

Originally it was planned for him to remain in Hovingham for an evening meal where he could have met informally with villagers, both church members and anyone else interested in meeting him, but unfortunately his schedule was changed for him to return to Malton. *Eddie Lucas*

The Archbishop with the Rector, Martin Allwood, with the 2 Churchwardens, Jane Richardson and Sir William Worsley



Spring Bank Holiday Car Boot - A Joint Effort

In view of the fact that the members Social Committee are not planning to hold a Senior Citizen's Christmas lunch after this year, they no longer needed to hold their Spring Bank Holiday Car Boot Sale. At such short notice, neither the Church nor the Chapel were very keen to organise the whole event. However, the Chapel was prepared to run the café if some other organisation would organise the cars on the green. Similarly, the Church felt able to organise the cars but didn't feel it could run the café at such short notice.

So there will be a car boot sale this Spring Bank Holiday as usual. By the time you read this the event should have taken place, hopefully successfully – a good example of inter-denominational co-operation!

Scackleton lights the flame for the Queen's birthday



New trees in Village Hall Carpark

Just in case you have not noticed, two new trees have been planted in the village hall carpark, where the bowls pavilion used to be. They are White Beam, or to give them their official name 'Sorbus Aria Majestica' and have been generously provided by Hovingham Village Market. Many thanks to Mark Wilson and Ann Chapman for their muscle and expertise in planting them.

Murray Stewart

The Whitebeam is a slow growing hardy **native tree**. The bark is smooth and grey, darkening as the tree ages. The tree may grow to 15 metres with upward sloping branches. The leaf is 'oval' with a distinctive white-green appearance and it has a serrated edge (margin). When the leaves first appear, the under surface is silvery green, but as they age they become greener and darker though in Autumn they can assume a golden / russet colour. In the Spring, clusters of white / cream-coloured, scented flowers form which when fertilised, turn into green and then red berry-like fruits.

On a beautifully warm sunny afternoon over seventy people and a good number of children visited Airyholm Farm for the open farm day. Anne and Robin Lacy had kindly opened their farm to let us see their rare breed sheep and their lambs.

It was wonderful to see so many people listening to Robin explaining about the history of all the breeds and then taking everyone on a farm walk lasting about an hour and a half, with our vicar Martin Allwood bringing up the rear to make sure

no one got lost!



The tea barn was full of wonderful cakes and cups of tea and coffee seemed to go down very well, especially after the walk.

Anne and Robin's love and infectious enthusiasm for their work and their sheep was obvious, and to let us all share that with them was truly wonderful.

Robin had invented a very different and interesting tombola and when all the takings and donations were added up the Church roof fund is some £866 better off.



Our thanks must go to all those from our community who made and donated cakes and Anne and her friend spent virtually all Friday and Saturday cooking and preparing. To all those who gave their time to help us from manning the gate, car parking and helping in the tea barn we thank you so much. It would not have been possible without all your help.

But finally a very big thank you to Anne and Robin. Over the previous week we had made a number of trips to the farm and the work Anne and Robin put in was extraordinary, clearing barns, moving bales, putting up pens and organizing the tombola and not to leave out the sheep. They now deserve a well-earned rest.

Jackie and Graham Mason

The Hovingham Litter Pick - What a load of old rubbish!

We would like to express our gratitude to everyone who gave their time to pick litter and clean signs throughout Hovingham village on Saturday. 15 bags were collected throughout the village and beyond. This is just one reason the village remains one of the best places to live in Britain. Long may this continue.

Those who unfortunately weren't there for the photograph, but also did a sterling job on the day were Murray & Rosemary Stewart, Graham & Jackie Mason, Paul Hobkinson and Mark Wilson. Special thanks must also go to Sally & Tony Finn who provided welcome refreshments for everyone at the Worsley Arms Hotel. **David Richardson - Hovingham Action Group**





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Residential property - The Estate has residential property to rent, ranging from 2 bedrooms to 5 bedrooms, all situated within the village. **Contact:** The Estate Office on 01653 628771

Logs for sale - The Estate sell logs in varying load sizes which can be delivered within 1 mile of Hovingham Village. **Contact:** David Teasdale on 01653 628037

Please note due to harvest logs cannot be delivered during the months of August and September.

Holiday Cottage – Spa Cottage; is an attractive 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom cottage that sleeps 6 in comfort. For bookings please contact Rural Retreats at www.ruralretreats.co.uk or telephone 01386 701177

Flooding remedial work in Hovingham - a lesson in self help

We coped fairly well with the Boxing day floods so we felt it was a good time to asses how we could improve things. When the beck rises we see a familiar pattern with how the water behaves and which areas are the first that need sandbags. The stretch between the humpback bridge and bakery bridge is the first place to need sandbags in the low points of the banks. Along with that, the road drains start to back up and water then runs down the road which then need pumps to send it back into the beck.

It is crucial that any work done that involves altering the banks or the way the beck behaves is done in conjunction with the Environment Agency. Not only is it a legal requirement but it is extremely important to know that any improvement on one part of the beck doesn't then send more water further down and flood someone else. With that in mind, a site meeting was held with the EA, Hovingham Estate and the Parish Council to come up with a plan of action.

We looked at the low bank near the bakery along with the drains, and looked into the possibility of building the bank up between the ford and the bridge at Harwood Cottage and improving the angle of the drain on the road in front of John and Maria Anderson's house. The drain needed to run at 45° so it didn't back up when the beck rose but would continue to allow water to flow. It is also very important to keep the relief channel clear and maintained because there is no doubt that without that working well things in the village would be much worse.

We felt that it was important not to do too many alterations at once because that would create too many unknowns about how the beck would behave in a flood. It was decided not to do raise the bank between the ford and Harwood Cottage at the moment but do the other things. The EA came back, took levels along the bank and put pegs in the ground so we knew where to put the soil. You will see that the soil is now in place and has been seeded. NYCC have told me they will be fitting non return valves to the road drains very soon. If/when the next flood takes place we hope that stretch of the beck will be OK and our efforts can be targeted elsewhere. John Anderson has very kindly altered the pipe outside his house to 45° which will help should water flow in front of those houses.

This could not have been done without the help of so many volunteers in the village. Hovingham Estate provided soil to put down as a base on the bank and the top soil was provided by the Parish Council and a very kind donation from John Davies' business. It is not possible to name everyone who came along to help put the soil down and do the seeding but a very big thank you. Monica Gripaios has collected names of residents who are prepared to be called upon in the event of a flood. So thank you to those who have volunteered; I hope you are not needed for quite some time!

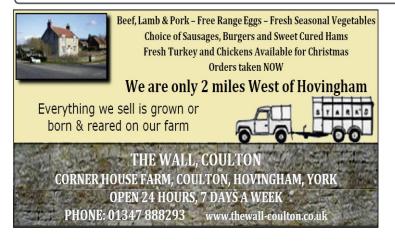
Hovingham can be proud of the self help it has done over the years and continues to do. This is certainly acknowledged by the EA and is a big reason why they want to work with us.

Mark Wilson

Rainfall at Hall Farm, Hovingham (in mm)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2011	43	68	6	2	41	52	48	112	25	67	28	66	558
2012	49	16	20	148	48	102	110	76	113	97	137	122	1038
2013	57	24	52	14	83	48	26	55	57	90	55	57	620
2014	127	58	38	23	35	54	52	94	29	72	108	48	838
2015	26	20	36	21	89	15	79	67	72	71	110	151	757
2016	87	54	93	82									
Avg	61	44	38	48	57	63	57	68	57	76	72	68	706

^{*} So more rain than usual in March and April and now in May it's sunshine, sunshine, sunshine - a little bit of rain





I will start by updating a couple of things from my last article. I said that I had a 10 acre field that had been sprayed off ready to be ploughed before being drilled with spring barley. Well, I got it ploughed despite it being a little wet, which then helped to dry it out; however a few days later an inch of rain fell! The weather after that was pretty awful with another ¾ inch of rain in a day and it was cold as well. Five weeks after ploughing I tried to sow the field as it was almost the end of April and getting a bit late in the season. Although dry on top, it was still pretty wet underneath and the sowing conditions were not good at all, so I abandoned it after about an hour. There was no point spending a lot of time, and especially money trying to sow it in those conditions then get a poor yield-not with the prices at such a low level. I hope to sow it with wheat in early September.

The other item was my single farm payment, or more accurately the lack of it. Because of the debacle of the system, the Rural Payments Agency agreed to send "bridging payments" by the end of April to those who had received nothing. I have now got half of what I am owed. I made a phone call to their helpline to see why there seemed to be a problem with my application to be told "there is nothing showing up on the computer to say there is a problem, but that doesn't mean to say there isn't one!" I wonder how much he was being paid to sit and talk such nonsense?

Despite the wet winter hanging on, the weather eventually dried up and it was warm enough to get over the other fields to do some work. All the wheat and oats have had their required amount of Nitrogen fertiliser - the beans don't need it as they are a Nitrogen fixing crop. All fields are soil tested on a 3 year rotation for their nutrient analysis and fertiliser is applied accordingly. The fertiliser is applied in small amounts over 4 passes to give the crops enough to keep them going and so not to waste it by putting on more than the crop can cope with. Phosphate and Potash has also been applied to everything in various quantities, including the beans. The crops now seem to be making up some of the lost ground.

Disease is a constant threat in the wheat at this time of year so fungicides are applied at 3 to 4 week intervals to keep it at bay and usually 4 applications are done. I will have done 2 by the time you read this. Beans and Oats will each get 2 fungicides.

Now with the standing water gone from the fields it has been a chance to check drains and gutters. They were certainly tested to the limit since Christmas and problems with the drains showed up very well. A lot of the standing water was due to it simply not being able to soak away due to low lying areas, but keeping the drainage system working properly is crucial.

There is still no sign of commodity prices improving which is not good news. Despite this and having the crops sown and established, you still have to invest in the crops to be able to get the best yields possible. It may take a crop disaster in another part of the world to make our prices go up.

Mark Wilson

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Niece of WW1 hero comes to Hovingham Market

Driffield resident Margaret Chappell (nee Judson) got a pleasant surprise at the end of April when she came to Hovingham cemetery to lay a wreath on the grave of her Uncle Cyril Judson. Cyril was the Hovingham man who joined up twice in WW1 but whose name is missing from our War Memorial and Memorial Book. At lunch in the Malt Shovel, landlady Vanessa showed Margaret the article on Cyril appealing for his relatives to come forward and tell us more about him.

So Margaret returned at the May Market, bringing more information about her uncle for the new Memorial Book. She also met - for the first time - Caroline Beilby, another of Cyril's relatives. Cyril will now be recorded, alongside his brother Harold, on the new War Memorial Plaque and in the revised Memorial Book available in the church.

The "Reviving Their Memory" project seeks to tell us more about the men who died, those who served, their families and our community in two World Wars. Upgrading the faded War Memorial and revising the Memorial Book will help us to see them as real people and as our neighbours. It is hoped that as many residents as possible will participate in this important community project which such a focus of our annual Remembrance.

Memorial Project passes half way mark

The Hovingham Market kindly offered their monthly charity stall as an information exchange and fund-raising point to "Reviving their Memory". Donations at the stall and via the village shop raised £177. Fund raising for the £1,650 cost has now passed the £1,000 mark with various events being planned for later in the year.

For more information on this project please contact Royal British Legion branch secretary

Rob Thompson on 628640 or e-mail to ardnamurchan75@btinternet.com.

Pet Couture - new business for Hovingham

Pet Couture was founded around 2 years ago when we first moved to Hovingham from West Yorkshire.

We have always been a family of pet lovers and if it was up to my son Jake, we would literally have a house full.

As a police officer, working for Bradford CID, however, this was not possible as I spent long hours away from home, meaning our own dog, Freya also spent a lot of time with Grandma.

Shortly after moving to Hovingham, I suffered with a neck injury which meant I was unable to carry out front line duties. This in turn lead to many months off work before eventually returning with restricted abilities.

During this time, I decided to embark on a new venture for me and my family and registered with the council to board dogs from my home whilst their owners went away.

In addition to this, I also qualified as a Dog Groomer and slowly built up a very enjoyable and successful business based in this beautiful village.

As a result, we now offer professional grooming, from simple baths to complete re style, daycare, overnight boarding and dog walking facilities all at very competitive prices.

We have experience with the young and old, anxious, fidgety, boisterous and excited and issues such as separation anxiety, loss of senses and medication administration.

I am delighted to have received some fantastic feedback from customers since opening and seeing those gorgeous dogs returning month after month for regular grooms or boarding gives me great confidence in the future of Pet Couture.

Stacey Atkinson



Tour de Yorkshire passes by

So near(Helmsley) and yet so far, perhaps next year the Tour will come through the Wolds. For those that ventured out to watch the race well done, and sympathy to the riders that endured Sutton Bank (see the picture), Sleights Hill and all points in between. What an effort they made. And after all that there was still the final bone crunching, muscle torturing sprint to the line. Never mind the wind and rain, what a turn out of spectators. What a display of bunting, flags and good will. Well done Yorkshire



Ann Chapman

Hovingham Action Group Report

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

• We are nearing the end of a major revision with a web designer making sure the site promotes a professional image of the village and provides a comprehensive source of information. The new Market website (www.hovingham-market.org.uk) was up and running using the new style and standards at the end of March.

Environment and Wildlife - contact Ann Chapman or David Richardson

- Plants kindly donated by Richard Wood have been put into barrels and troughs within the village and show a lovely dash of colour.
- The Action Group assisted with raising the banking alongside Beckside. Although the banking hasn't been raised significantly, the Environment Agency believes this will help to enhance the villages flood defences.
- Litter picking and sign cleaning took place on 23 April. Thanks to everyone who gave their time and effort to pick litter and clean signs throughout Hovingham. See Page 5 for more details.

Market - contact Peter Stark or Caroline Davis

- At the April market we again had rain throughout the day but visitor numbers held up very well. The café in the hands of the Cricket Club 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

- All the playground equipment has been cleaned and repaired, where necessary, in advance of the summer period where it tends to get more patronage.
- The Playground is run by volunteers and requires regular funding for repairs, 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 that take place.

Neighbourhood Watch - contact Phil Chapman

- Because of a number of incidents in the village the Parish Council, supported by the Action Group are proceeding with an initiative to prevent cold calling within the village. Letters to all residents went out with the last newsletter advising what was planned and it is hoped to implement a cold calling zone throughout the village.
- Regular emails and information detailing criminal activity in Ryedale are received from the police. 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 May 2016



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Parish Council - Chairman's Report

Since my last report we have continued to maintain the high standards established by our predecessors and we all now have the opportunity to see how we can invest in some projects for the future.

The Village Market continues to exceed expectations; having now raised over £60,000 for Community Groups at 76 Markets, now averaging a steady 45 stalls and at least 600 visitors to every Market. Peter Stark and the team of volunteers have to be thanked, especially for their efforts those wet and windy days ensuring a monthly Market can safely take place. Thank you also to residents, local businesses and visitors for supporting it.

The Playground also continues to attract many children, parents, grand-parents and great-grand parents; the equipment is well used and unfortunately leads to its own traffic congestion and parking problems. Thank you to David Richardson, Carol Battersby, Rosemary Stewart, Ann Chapman and the team of volunteers who continue to make this the success we can be proud of. It must be remembered that the efforts and support of Sir Marcus and Lady Bridgette, and now of Sir William and Lady Marie Noelle, make this achievable.

The high rain falls at Christmas are unusually some cause for celebration; the efforts of the volunteer team led by Mark Wilson our Flood Warden, together with the efforts of David Richardson's Emergency Plan, the Diversion Channel designed by Richard O'B, Sir William and the Estate, the Environment Agency, and the efforts of many others, resulted in much serious damage being avoided; an achievement we can all celebrate.

The Village Newsletter Team ensures all residents receive 6 copies of the high quality publication each year to both villages. This remains free to all households and the hard work from the Team and many other Contributors around the village continue to provide excellent news, publicity for events and useful information to all. Thank you to Caroline Davis, Eddie Lucas, Ann Chapman, Margaret Bell, the team of distributors, plus those Contributors all of whom make it possible.

All the other efforts of the Hovingham and Scackleton Action Groups still continue to complement those that the Parish Council can offer. The efforts of the Sign Cleaning and Litter Pick teams, demonstrate their pride in the Village and are something again we can all be proud of. Scackleton Action Group grow from strength to strength; enhancing their unique village and focusing the efforts of their volunteers. The Parish Council delivered a new supply of grit last year; it was fortunately not needed however, I am confident they are ready in case we have a late fall of snow.

Financially we have achieved a significant surplus of just over £4,000. This is again due to the generosity of Sue, our hardworking Parish Clerk, who kindly forgo her annual allowance, this together with measures we took several years ago to ensure we could continue to provide a high standard of services to Hovingham and Scackleton. The grant from NYCC for cutting the grass continues to decline significantly; despite this we have managed to increase the number of cuts of the main greens and the Market Green now receives the same quality of attention. Our initial budget for this year breaks even however, this year we will be able to invest in maintenance of the post and railings, plus the flooding in the car park needs our, and the Village Hall's attention again.

We have unfortunately experienced the intrusion of Home and Farm crimes in Hovingham; thank you to North Yorkshire Police and in particular our PCSO Nicki Pounder for their support. We will shortly have a "No Cold Calling Zone" in Hovingham, hopefully this will give residents confidence they can say "No" and deter some of this crime.

Fracking is unfortunately a contentious, stressful and divisive issue; the Parish Council continues its opposition to this imposition that without adequate and comprehensive regulation could damage the area we are here to protect.

The Hovingham bus service is a great disappointment; we have now totally lost our Helmsley service and the Malton service is barely adequate. Although NYCC must be thanked for providing some grants, it is very frustrating that they continue to pay for empty buses running when they not needed, and leave residents waiting for buses that never turn up or run so late they are next to useless.

Thank you to the Council; Monica has joined the team and contributed on so many issues; thank you to Sue our hardworking Parish Clerk; and everyone who continues doing their very best for the future of Hovingham and Scackleton.

Phil Chapman - Chairman Hovingham with Scackleton Parish Council - 4th May 2016

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Annual Parish Meeting - 4th May 2016

- Councillors were reminded to update their Declaration of Interests if changed.
- The Chairman gave his report for the year.
- Annual Accounts to March 31st March 2016 were presented and accepted..
 - o Income £8,321 (last year £8,433)
 - Expenditure £4,217 (last year £7,034)
 - Surplus of £4,105 was achieved, mainly due to the Parish Clerk waiving her allowance, saving costs and deferring some expenditure.
- Councillors Phil Chapman and Ian Battersby were unanimously re-elected as Chair and Vice-Chair of the Parish Council respectively.

GENERAL - Hovingham & Scackleton

- Bus Services The new service is unsatisfactory with tight timetables making no allowance for frequent traffic delays. There appears no accountability or Quality Control on the new 2 hourly service.
- Flower Tubs Hovingham and Scackleton Action Groups have taken care of the tubs.
- Grass Cutting NYCC grant now reduced to £546.

HOVINGHAM

- Action Group A report was submitted.
- Car Park Resurfacing Estimated cost is £30,000.
 Other solutions to drain puddles being investigated and plans to replace drain gravel may also help. This is a joint responsibility with the Village Hall and is too large for the Parish Council on its own.
- Car Park Trees and Flagpole The Market Group have purchased 3 trees for site of old bowls pavilion.
 The Parish Council will consider flagpole proposal once more urgent car park and wall work complete.
- Cemetery Maintenance and Path Resurfacing Wall is still being repaired and path is not a priority.
- **Clock Winders** Urgently required to help the team.
- Flooding Soil has been used to increase bank level along beck in village; thanks to the Estate and Mr. J. Davies for donating soil
- Return valves knocked off drains, NYCC to replace.
- Discussions with Sir William taken place regarding flood diversion channel. A "Slow the Flow" upstream may help in consultation with Environment Agency.
- No Cold Calling Zone Approved for Hovingham and leaflets will shortly be delivered to all households.
- Rail Painting and Maintenance Painting of new posts has now taken place and proposal to add metal strimmer guards to all posts has been approved.
- Website Project Thanks to David Richardson, Caroline Davis and rest of the team; the website is almost up and running. The market website is already live: www.hovingham-market.org.uk.

RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL

from Councillor Robert Wainwright (Hovingham)

- Slingsby have recently completed their Design Statement, which is available on their or the RDC website. We should consider writing one.
- An enforcement notice has been drawn up for Trilandium and Stirling Mortimer, regarding completion of road and pavement work. Failure to comply within two months may lead to a maximum fine of £20,000 being imposed.
- £38,274 of the £43,500 in the Open Spaces Fund has been spent. The Playground (£704) and Tennis Club (£1,794) have money left to spend.
- Most RDC Councillors voted against Fracking.
- The latest iteration of the Ryedale Local Plan should be published by late Summer.

SCACKLETON

- Action Group Report The Group are proposing to purchase a defibrillator which would be in the phone box and charged by solar power.
- **Superfast Broadband** Investigating how this can be delivered to Scackleton.
- **Safari Supper** Planned for September.
- Slow Down Signs Having desired effect.

FINANCE

- Accounts for 2015/16 have been thoroughly inspected by Mrs J. Vowles and approved.
- A register of fixed assets is being produced following recommendation from auditors.
- Following reviewed and agreed:
 - Zurich Insurance renewal £580
 - Paint new railings £75
 - Strimmer guards for posts, up to £600
 - Contribution to website development £100
 - Soil for raising Beckside bank £90
 - Distribute No Cold Calling Packs £30

Any Other Business

- **Flood Volunteers** Councillor Ms M. Gripaios reported she has recruited 10 new residents to help.
- Hidden Village Program Shown interest in village.
- May Car Boot Sale Social Committee no longer want to run. This year Church will organise and the Chapel will run the Café. Any village group wanting to run future fairs should contact the Parish Clerk.

FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2015 - start at 7pm

13th July - Scackleton Church

14th September and 9th November - Hovingham

Hovingham and Scackleton Village Diary

June 2016

1 st - 28 th	Hovingham Hall OPEN - Guided Tours from 12:30pm to 3:30pm				
2 nd Thur	Hovingham Simple Said Eucharist Service - 9:30am Hovingham Church				
4 th Sat	Hovingham Village Market - 10:30am to 1:30pm - Hovingham Village Hall				
	Please come along and support the Market;				
	Scackleton and Terrington Over 60's will be running the Community Café.				
5 th Sun	Hovingham Matins Service - 10:30am Hovingham Church				
	Methodist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Chapel - J. Lakin				
6 th Mon	Recycling Collection – Recycling Bins with Garden Waste Collection				
	Service of Thanksgiving for Monica Van Zeller - 11:30am - Hovingham Church				
	A short service of thanksgiving at 11.30 and afterwards at The Worsley Arms. All welcome.				
7th Tue	Scrumptious Fish & Chip Van - 5:35pm Hall Green, opposite Village Hall				
) Tue	Hovingham Women's Fellowship - 7pm - Hovingham Village Hall				
	Guest Speaker: Jane Ashby talking to the Rev. George Piercy, father of the Chinese Methodist				
	Church, who was born in Levisham and his wife came from Nunnington.				
9th Thur	Hovingham Morning Prayer - 9:30am Hovingham Church				
11 th Sat	Hog Roast and Bonfire at Scackleton - There will be a hog roast and bonfire at				
	Scackleton in the evening for church funds etc. For tickets please phone (01653)-628403				
12 th Sun	Joint Methodist Anniversary Service - 10:30am Hovingham Chapel				
13th Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – Green Bin				
	Supermobile Library in Hovingham - 5pm until 7pm - Location Hall Green				
14 th Tue	Scrumptious Fish & Chip Van - 5:35pm Hall Green, opposite Village Hall				
16th Thur	Hovingham Eucharist Service - 9:30am Hovingham Church				
18 th Sat	Coffee in the Garden - Barn Court, Mossburn Drive. In aid of Church Roof Appeal				
19 th Sun	Morning Praise Service - 10:30am - Hovingham Church				
	Methodist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Chapel				
20 th Mon	Recycling Collection – Recycling Bins with Garden Waste Collection				
21 st Tue	Scrumptious Fish & Chip Van - 5:35pm Hall Green, opposite Village Hall				
23 rd Thu	EU Referendum - voting from 7am until 10am - At your normal polling stations				
	Hovingham Morning Prayer - 9:30am Hovingham Church				
25 th Sat	Coffee in the Garden - Garden Cottage, Cawton. In aid of Church Roof Appeal				
26 th Sun	Benefice Eucharist Service - 10:30am Barton Church				
	Methodist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Chapel				
27 th Mon	Landfill Waste Collection - Green Bin				
	Supermobile Library in Hovingham - 5pm until 7pm - Location Hall Green				
28 th Tue	Scrumptious Fish & Chip Van - 5:35pm Hall Green, opposite Village Hall				
30th Thur	Hovingham Eucharist Service - 9:30am Hovingham Church				
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July 2016

1 st Fri	Remembrance at War Memorial - 6pm Hovingham Branch of The Royal British Legion				
	invite you to reflect on their sacrifice at a brief, simple service at the War Memorial.				
2 nd Sat	Hovingham Village Market - 10:30am to 1:30pm - Hovingham Village Hall				
	Please come along and support the Market;				
	Hovingham Tennis Club will be running the Community Café.				
3rd Sun	Hovingham BCP Eucharist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Church				
	Methodist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Chapel				
4 th Mon	Recycling Collection - Recycling Bins with Garden Waste Collection				
5 th Tue	Scrumptious Fish & Chip Van - 5:35pm Hall Green, opposite Village Hall				
7 th Thur	Hovingham Morning Prayer - 9:30am Hovingham Church				
9 th Sat	Coffee in the Garden - Northfield House, Hovingham. In aid of Church Roof Appeal				
10 th Sun	Eucharist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Church				
10 Sun	Methodist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Chapel				
11 th Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – Green Bin .				
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19 th Tue	Scrumptious Fish & Chip Van - 5:35pm Hall Green, opposite Village Hall				
21st Thur	Hovingham Morning Prayer - 9:30am Hovingham Church				
24 th Sun	Benefice Eucharist Service - 10:30am Amotherby Church				
	Methodist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Chapel				
25 th Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – Green Bin				
	Supermobile Library in Hovingham - 5pm until 7pm - Location Hall Green				
26 th Tue	Scrumptious Fish & Chip Van - 5:35pm Hall Green, opposite Village Hall				
28th Thur	Hovingham Eucharist Service - 9:30am Hovingham Church				
31st Sun	Methodist Service - 10:30am Hovingham Chapel				
	Ryedale Festival Closing Service - 5:30pm Hovingham Church				