Hovingham Action Group Status Report – November 2017

Market - contact Peter Stark or Caroline Davis

- The October market again had good visitor numbers, around 750, but rain started to fall later in the morning and this possibly put off late arrivals. Thanks to everyone who gave time and effort in setting up and running the market.
- Community Groups wanting to run a Community Stall should contact the Market Group.
- Market News is published prior to every Market; subscribe via the website to receive a copy by email.
- We welcome regular or occasional volunteers to help with the many tasks involved in making this such a successful enterprise.

Playground - contact Ann Chapman, Carol Battersby, Rosemary Stewart or David Richardson

- A working party carried out the annual hedge cutting. Many thanks to the volunteers who turned out.
- Hedge cutting is an arduous task so the main part is carried out by a contractor, but this depletes funds; add this to
 the many other costs annual inspections, repairs, maintenance and grass cutting, all reduce funds. The Playground
 requires regular attention and weekly checks to keep standards high and we rely on volunteers to help out, so many
 thanks to those who contribute valuable time in making the playground a pleasant place for children and
 accompanying adults to use.
- Please contact us if you would like to be involved in the various initiatives that take place. Donations, however small, are always greatly appreciated.

Environment & Wildlife – contact Ann Chapman or David Richardson

• Winter is almost upon us and although the last 3 winters have been mild and without any significant snowfalls we are planning for all eventualities. We would like to appeal for volunteers to help shift the snow on priority footpaths, if it does fall. **Please get in touch if you can help.**

Neighbourhood Watch - contact Phil Chapman or David Richardson

- Please keep eyes and ears open for any suspicious activity within the village.
- You can subscribe to regular Neighbourhood Watch email alerts by subscribing on the Village Website.

Newsletter - contact Ann Chapman, Caroline Davis or newsletter@hovingham.org.uk

- The newsletter is an excellent source of local information, news and comment and is delivered to every house in the village. The editorial team welcome all articles sent in.
- Colour copies are available on the Village Website and you can subscribe to also receive copies by email.
- Please contact us if you would like to help write, edit or distribute the Village Newsletter.

Website - www.hovingham.org.uk contact action@hovingham.org.uk

- To receive the Weekly Village Diary by email, subscribe via the village website.
- Details of events of interest to residents are welcomed for inclusion in the Village Diary and the website. Email <u>events@hovingham.org.uk</u> with details.

Project Purple - contact: purple@hovingham.org.uk

 In response to the recent article in the Hovingham & Scackleton Newsletter, Ann & Phil Chapman, Caroline Davis, Kim and Frank Colenso came forward to set up and scope a community project (Project Purple) to explore the opportunities around renewable energy, recycling and energy efficiency. A survey of residents and local businesses is planned to engage, inform and shape this project. If you would like to be involved or want to contact the group please email: purple@hovingham.org.uk

Volunteering - contact Ann Chapman, Caroline Davis or David Richardson

• The Action Group welcomes new volunteers. If you would like to help, just for an hour or so, to enable Hovingham to remain a special place to live please get in touch. Contact any of the groups directly or via an email to action@hovingham.org.uk

If you would like to be involved in the restoration of the village telephone box contact action@hovingham.org.uk

David Richardson, 03 November 2017