

Hovingham Action Group

Status Report – January 2017

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

- The possibility of electrifying the church clock is being assessed and a paper is being produced to set out the implications. **If you would like to join the present winders of the clock please get in touch.**
- Whenever we get significant snowfalls in the village the Action Group snow shifting team will spring into action and clear snow from priority footpaths. **Please get in touch if you can help, as and when snow arrives.**

Market - contact [Peter Stark or Caroline Davis](#)

- There have been 3 markets since the last report; the November market had approximately 680 visitors, the early December market had 780, but the final market of the year had around 880 visitors to round off another successful year of markets. Also an encouraging number of volunteers turned out to help setup/take down stalls and record visitor numbers. Especially at the two December markets everyone seemed to be drawn into the wonderful atmosphere and build up to Christmas. **Regular or occasional volunteers are always made very welcome.**
- Any Community Group wanting to run a Community Stall should contact the Market Group.
- You may have seen the excellent article in the Yorkshire Post about the Hovingham Market. If you haven't put the following into your internet browser <http://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/news/hovingham-shows-there-is-life-in-farmers-markets-yet-1-8271910>

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

- The Playground is run by volunteers and requires regular attention and checks so that standards remain high. We rely on volunteers to help out, so please **contact us if you would like to be involved in the various initiatives that take place.**
- Funding for inspections, repairs, regular maintenance of equipment, grass & hedge cutting all diminish funds. **Donations however small are greatly appreciated.**

Website – contact [Caroline Davis, Janice Wood, Phil Chapman or David Richardson](#)

- The new Village Website continues to attract web visits from far and near.

Neighbourhood Watch - contact [Phil Chapman](#)

- Regular information detailing criminal activity in Ryedale is received from the police and passed on by email to residents. Everyone is encouraged to report to the police anything they see which is in anyway suspicious.

Volunteering - contact [Ann Chapman, Caroline Davis or David Richardson](#)

As can be seen from the various headings above the Action Group always welcomes more 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 emails to action@hovingham.org.uk

David Richardson, 16 January 2017