

Hovingham Action Group Status Report – March 2018

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

- The February Market was the 100th held in Hovingham and celebrated in style with many visitors supporting the event on what weatherwise was a difficult day. A lot of planning went into this market and it was rewarded by record numbers. Thanks to everyone who made this a day to remember, setting up and running the market.
- Unfortunately the March market had to be cancelled due to adverse weather conditions. Many messages of support from stallholders, visitors, volunteers and local partners were received.
- 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.
- Thanks to everyone who help out at each market, **we welcome new volunteers to help with the many tasks involved in making this such a successful enterprise.**

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

- The “Snow” team were activated during January, February and early March due to heavy snowfalls. Village paths were cleared of snow on one side of priority roads. A fine achievement considering how difficult it is to shift the snow after it has been compressed by footfall into ice, making it much more difficult to remove. Special thanks to Mark Wilson, who with his tractor is out at dawn clearing roads with his low loader and is a key member of the snow team
- Whenever we get significant snowfalls in the village the Action Group snow shifting team aim to clear snow from priority footpaths. **Please get in touch if you can help.**
- Our annual litter picking event is planned for the 24 March, all are welcome to help remove litter from the village and the approach roads.

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

- Although it's the quieter winter period the Playground continues to require regular attention. Weekly checks continue throughout the year so standards remain high. We rely on volunteers for this, so many thanks to those who contribute their valuable time.
- **Please contact us if you would like to be involved in the various initiatives that take place throughout the year. Donations, however small, are greatly appreciated.**

Neighbourhood Watch - contact [Phil Chapman](#) or [David Richardson](#)

- Speedwatch training has taken place and it is scheduled to carry out roadside speed checks in early March. Results will be reported here. **If you would like to take part please contact action@hovingham.org.uk**
- 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

- A special colour edition of the newsletter was issued in January, sponsored by the market group celebrating the 100th village market. 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 always available on the Village Website and you can subscribe to 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 events@hovingham.org.uk with details.

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

- Ann & Phil Chapman, Caroline Davis, Monica Gripaios, Kim & Frank Colenso are taking forward this community project to explore 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 always 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