

Hovingham Action Group Status Report – March 2019

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

- February, the first market of the year and the day started with a little dusting of snow on setting up. However Hovingham escaped the worst of the weather but some local areas didn't and this did appear to reduce visitor numbers and some stallholders experienced difficulty driving to Hovingham.
- The March market was the opposite, good weather and over 900 visitors made this a bumper market. Parking wasn't easy but the market was a great success, with the church doing very well with café receipts.
- Thanks to everyone who helped before, during and after both markets. New volunteers are always welcome.
- 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.

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

- The annual village litter pick is scheduled for April. Always a popular event, there is nothing as satisfying as a good spring clean! Last year over 30 litter hunters turned out and collected 63 sacks of rubbish.
- If you are interested taking part in the Annual Street Sign Clean, by taking responsibility for signs within an area of the village, then please contact Phil at action@hovingham.org.uk. The objective will be to clean the signs in each area before Easter.
- If you would like to be involved in the restoration of the village telephone box contact action@hovingham.org.uk

Playground - contact [Ann Chapman or email playground@hovingham.org.uk](#)

- The playground is solely run by volunteers and a new group to take over management will assemble at a meeting in spring. Thank you to those who have offered their help to keep our lovely Playground open. However several more volunteers would be very welcome, please contact us if you would like to be involved or can help occasionally with maintenance or inspection duties.

Neighbourhood Watch & Speedwatch - contact [Ann Chapman or Rob Tulloch](#)

- Hovingham Speedwatch team are part of a national campaign to curb speed through villages and towns. There are 53 teams operating in North Yorkshire alone. Sessions locally were curtailed somewhat due to winter weather but the 2019 campaign is now in force and continues to clock speeding vehicles in the village. The main aim, to reduce speeds of vehicles through the village, is being achieved. 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 or newsletter@hovingham.org.uk](#)

- The newsletter is an excellent source of local information, news and comment. Colour copies are available on the Village Website and you can subscribe to receive copies by email.
- The editorial team need further additions to the team please contact us if you can help

Village Website (www.hovingham.org.uk) contact action@hovingham.org.uk

- Details of events of interest to residents are welcome for inclusion in the Village Diary and the website - email events@hovingham.org.uk.
- To receive the Weekly Village Diary by email, subscribe via the village website.

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

- A long term evaluation of opportunities around renewable energy, recycling and energy efficiency. It is hoped to encourage residents and businesses to reduce the impact on the environment. The 2018 village survey results are being analysed and a report with recommendations will be produced and shared with the community shortly. If you would like to be involved or want to contact the group please email purple@hovingham.org.uk

Volunteering - contact action@hovingham.org.uk

- The Action Group welcomes new volunteers. If you would like to help, just for an hour or so please get in touch. You can contact any of the groups directly or via an email to action@hovingham.org.uk