

# Hovingham Action Group – September 2019

**Clock Winding** - The team take care of winding the clock every week. Funds are being raised so that the clock can be wound automatically. Following the stall at the Market on 6<sup>th</sup> July the fund now has raised £3,595.80.

**Email Diary** - This is published weekly to all those registered and also on the website. Please contact the [diary@hovingham.org.uk](mailto:diary@hovingham.org.uk) if you have details of any event you would like included or you would like to receive your own copy.

**Market** - Market is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> birthday in October. Over 10,000 have visited the Market in the last year and over £125,000 has been raised for Community Groups since October 2009. If you are interested in helping then please contact the market at [themarket@hovingham.org.uk](mailto:themarket@hovingham.org.uk).

**Neighbourhood Watch** - Enables you to help your neighbours and yourself. You can receive email alerts by registering on the website or by email at [nhw@hovingham.org.uk](mailto:nhw@hovingham.org.uk).

**Newsletter** - Anyone interested in writing articles and/or help editing please contact the team

**Playground** - The new organising group had a very successful Community Café and are now planning their annual working bee on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Issues with inconsiderate parking and unauthorised events at the Playground are being addressed with council and others. Anyone who wants to help should contact the group.

**Project Purple** - The Electric Vehicle Charger (EVC), for the Village Hall, has received the go ahead. Projects are currently being planned to improve recycling, use of renewable energy, improving home insulation and ways to reduce amount of carbon being created.

**Recycling** - The survey demonstrated significant support for improving recycling and the recycling area. Ryedale District Council is planning to refurbish the Hovingham area and details are still being awaited.

**Snow Clearing** - fortunately this was not required this winter (2018-19) and preparations are being made to ensure we are ready for 2019-20.

**Speedwatch** - More volunteers are welcome to increase the number of sessions and reduce the speed of vehicles in the village.

**Village Survey** - We are now receiving feedback and actions from many of those organisations contacted following the survey. Discussions are taking place on how others can be achieved.

**Websites** - The revamped Village Hall website ([www.hovingham-village-hall.org.uk](http://www.hovingham-village-hall.org.uk)) is now linked to the Village website ([www.hovingham.org.uk](http://www.hovingham.org.uk)). These, together with the Market website, continue to receive increasing number of visitors and interest. Contact the Action Group if you have anything you would like included.

## **Volunteering - there is something for everyone**

Over 100 volunteers make these activities possible.

There are many different ways you can help depending on your experience, age, interests and time available.

It is a great opportunity to get involved and benefit the whole Community.

Please contact [action@hovingham.org.uk](mailto:action@hovingham.org.uk), or Ann or Phil Chapman, for more details and to get involved.

*Thank You*

# Hovingham Action Plans – September 2019

Following the results from the survey of Hovingham Residents:

## **Action – Village Design Statement - (Need to determine the effectiveness of a statement)**

- Protect local views, peace and quiet, wildlife and walks and community spirit
- Sympathetically manage limited housing and other developments to maintain the village aesthetic
- Oppose some inappropriate housing and “industrial” developments, such as fracking
- Value Local Businesses; Bakery, Hotel, Pub, The Park, Village Shop and Farmers
- Value Churches, Village Hall and Market
- Value Mobile Services, Library and Post Office
- Newsletters, Noticeboards, Word of Mouth and Websites keep residents informed
- Volunteers are valued and appreciated
- GP Surgery; more local appointments and more medicines available in Hovingham (contacted Doctors)
- Encourage use of Public Transport; more services would be welcome
- Improve mobile phone coverage

## **Action – Concerns about traffic and policing**

- Limit speed of vehicles everywhere in village by:
  - Speed signs
  - Active matrix signs
  - High viz signs
  - Better sign placement
  - 20mph near school and in Church Street
  - Community Speedwatch (Action: encourage volunteers)
  - Active Policing and Speed Enforcement (Action: Police Commissioner)
- Safer Crossing Places Needed – near school, shop, Park St, elsewhere ? (Action ?)
- Reduce noise, vibration and intrusion of HGVs, enforcing hours of operation (Action ?)
- Dissuade inconsiderate drivers re parking, avoiding pavements and damaging verges (Action ?)
- A more visible Police presence and enforcement would be welcomed (Action: Police Commissioner)
- Fixing highway, pavement and other faults (Action – encourage reporting on websites)

## **Action – Environment and Climate Change**

There was significant 68% concern, with 22% not sure and 3% strongly not concerned about Climate Change in the survey. The Purple Group are developing projects to:

- Encouraging more recycling, reduce waste and improve reuse of materials
- Improve home insulation and encourage better energy efficiency
- Reduce use of high-carbon generating energy and develop renewable energy