

Hovingham Action Group Report –November 2019

Website www.hovingham.org.uk/actiongroup Email action@hovingham.org.uk

Clock Winding – The team take care of winding the clock every week. Funds are being raised so that the clock can be wound automatically. The fund now has raised £3,595.

Email Diary – This is published weekly to all those subscribed and is also available on the website. To add your event to the diary please contact the diary@hovingham.org.uk or if you would like to subscribe.

Market – The Market celebrated its 10th birthday in October amid balloons and a celebration cake. There were many happy smiling faces and the weather was kind. The market continues to provide a social and shopping hub for the village and our new volunteers give the market a bright future.

This December the market will again be supporting the Village **Christmas Tree** which always adds a little brightness to the Christmas month.

The Market has purchased Recycling Bags for Paper, Glass and Plastic for use in the Café and Bins for Market Visitors. It also chose a ‘green recyclable’ balloon arch for its birthday celebrations and has found second uses for its superseded banners. Many superseded boards have been recycled into backing material. The market will continue its emphasis on being a ‘green’ market.



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.

Newsletter – Anyone interested in writing articles and/or help editing etc contact us: newsletter@hovingham.org.uk We are delighted with our new sections of articles from Scackleton so thank you to Nicole and her team.

Playground –The annual working bee was supported by 13 wonderful volunteers who managed to finish a good list of minor repairs and maintenance – a very big thank you to those hard workers.

We are shortly putting up No Parking signs and other notices, as the playground continues to be misused and our residents abused by out of town Playground visitors. It is sad that visitors cannot support our simple needs for no dogs, no inconsiderate parking and no unapproved events.

Project Purple – The Electric Vehicle Charger (EVC), for the Village Hall, has received the go ahead. The initial supplier is no longer the preferred option and a more suitable partner is now in the final stages of selection.

Further projects are underway to support the reduction of our carbon footprint

- Wider Recycling (including working with RDC to upgrade the Recycling Centre) and other opportunities to reduce, reuse and repair. This includes the repeat of last winter’s very successful **Christmas Tree Recycling** – please bring your old “Christmas Trees, less decorations, to the Village Hall Seating Area by Saturday 11th January 2020 please.
- Investigate community and individual renewable energy opportunities
- Investigate ways to improve home energy efficiency
- A website with more information will shortly be launched giving information and details of Purple events.



Snow Clearing – Preparations are being made to ensure we are ready for this winter

Speedwatch –The team have been operating now for some 18 months and in that time have reported 767 drivers for speeding (out of 32,937 vehicles passing). In order to support the team a small wearable camera has been purchased so that incidents and abuse can be better reported to the Police for their action.

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 realistically achieved.

Websites – The revamped Village Hall website (www.hovingham-village-hall.org.uk) is now linked to the Village website (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 in volunteering

– something to suit your experience, age, interests and time available, with regular or ad hoc activities for everyone - Get involved and benefit your Community - it’s often surprisingly good fun.

Please contact action@hovingham.org.uk, or Ann or Phil Chapman on 627171 to get involved.

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