

# Hovingham Action Group Report – November 2021

**NEW – Hovingham Village Playgroup** A team, led by Catherine Dainty, is forming a Mother, Toddlers and Baby Playgroup in Hovingham. They plan meeting each Wednesday morning in the village hall and have successfully applied for funding to get themselves going from a “Grow and Learn” small grant from CAVCA and NYCC.

## Community Speedwatch

- Community Speed Watch has now stopped until Spring 2022. Since the last meeting we have had 7 sessions with 66 offenders averaging 9 per session. Traffic flow has varied between 220 and 391.
- There was an incident on Park Street where a speeding driver nearly caused a severe accident involving 2 children.
- Members of the Speed Watch group would like to discuss the issue of speeding in the village at this meeting.

**Defibrillator** Pads replaced, thanks to Market and Action Group. The batteries will need replacing in 2+ years.

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## Market

- After 19 months Hovingham market was active again on the first Saturday in November.
- 960 people came through the market and the stall holders were pleased to be back.
- Our thanks to all the volunteers and for the use of the village hall car park to our new team and to Phil Chapman for his help and guidance.
- Next Markets are on 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December.

**Newsletter** Difficulty finding team to collate, edit and format newsletter. Will restart when complete.

## Playground

- Working bee took place at the beginning of October and thanks to a few additional helpers who came along we managed to get all the necessary jobs out of the way - thanks to everyone who helped.
- We are coming to the colder months and Mark W has kindly removed the benches to be stored for the winter and they are safely put away now - thanks Mark.
- We have decided to hold off replacing the train until the winter months are behind us - it is ordered and ready but we felt it would be prudent to wait until after the worst of the weather to have it installed.
- We heard from Graham M that we had secured a place to run the community cafe at the market in December 2022 and with that in mind we felt we needed to source some additional revenue before then and applied to have a table at the first market to run a tombola. We were delighted with the response to our plea for prizes and had over 120 prizes available for the table - which was fantastic. We ended up raising £311.
- The finances (thanks Phil) are now showing a balance of £3141.41.
- The group will look to have their next meeting at the start of the new year.

## Project Purple

### Project 1. Reduce, Reuse, Repair More - 1 The Repair Café and Community Hub

- Was held on 23rd October 2021, In total we had 51 people who came along to the Repair and Community Hub. We fixed 8 out of 10 items and made 3 Moorsbags. The fixed items included: cycle brakes, lawn mower, jacket alteration, a draw fixed, a pepper grinder back to work! a wireless speaker, an amplifier and a garden chair!
- In the Community Hub, 12 out 15 recycle bin lids and nets were taken by grateful residents.
- We had great interest in understanding carbon foot print, electric cars, heat pumps, how to reduce your energy bills and the share shed. 18 people entered the carbon foot quiz and 17 shared their tips to reduce the impact on the environment. Winners will be announced next week.
- And finally we had £91.08 in donations.

The dates for the next year are planned for the 2nd Saturday in each quarter: 12<sup>th</sup> Mar, 11<sup>th</sup> June, 10<sup>th</sup> Sep & 10<sup>th</sup> Dec

**2. Recycling:** RDC have still not been able to provide a timeline to refurbish the recycling centre.

**Project 2. Reduced Energy Usage - Electric Vehicle Charger:** We propose to add EV signage on the street.

## 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](mailto:action@hovingham.org.uk), or Ann or Phil Chapman on 627171 to get involved.

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(Thank you to all those who contributed to this report, consolidated by Phil Chapman – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021)