

Scackleton Action Group Report – March 2025

Last Action Group Meeting 14th January, 2025 in Scackleton Church. Next meeting is 15th April, 2025.

Promoting a cleaner & healthier village

- Grass verge at pinfold to be sorted out – piles of grit and other debris.
- Replacement sign at the pinfold is now in place.
- Dog fouling is still occurring.
- Nicole has ordered new “Neighbourhood watch” signs via Parish Clerk for the village to update old signs & put up new signs on Grange Lane & Low Moor Lane.
- Wild Scackleton - Steve Britland is liaising with Nick Burrows re coming to the village to give a talk to residents. Awaiting dates & times. Manor Farm & Highfield House are restoring / creating shallow ponds.
- Woodlands around Hovingham Lodge & Twaites Cottage - Apparently, according to a Hovingham Lodge resident, planting is to start soon. Initially the land nearest Hovingham Lodge and the triangle of land between Hovingham Lodge & Thwaites Cottage. They have not seen a detailed plan
- Grain lorries have been going through village to Blackdale Mill between 6-7am. Details have been passed to Parish Clerk for discussion with Mosey’s.

Defibrillator & kiosk

- The kiosk awaiting the repair to the glass when the weather is better. Currently taped up to avoid more glass falling out.

Communication within the village

- Circulating the weekly Hovingham & Scackleton Village Diary by email primarily. Occasionally on the notice board.
- Neighbourhood watch emails are being emailed out & shared on the village WhatsApp Group.
- Share & update key Parish Council issues at the Action Group Meeting.

Community Events & Fund Raising.

- Roland is planning on holding an 80th Anniversary VE Day event in May. He has written to Sir William to extend the invitation to Hovingham. Bell ringing, flag, beacon/bonfire, etc

Hovingham Market & Cafes

- 1st February 2025 market cafe made £728.18 for the Scackleton Action Group which we were very pleased with. Low footfall and a few stallholders didn’t turn up. Closed early. We were part of the assessment for the King’s Award for Volunteers and Nicole had a good chat with the Deputy Lieutenant Venetia Wrigley. She seemed really impressed with what she had seen outside & inside. She came back later to have a soup & roll. She was also pleased to hear that we had restarted Hovingham WI.

Scackleton Community Support Group

- The Scackleton Community Support Group is still in situ for the village, with volunteers from the village still happy to be part of it. Shopping and prescription collection is still being undertaken for a few residents until such time as they feel able to go back to “normal”. Many thanks again to the Scackleton volunteers.