

Last Action Group Meeting 30th June, 2026 in Scackleton Church. Next meeting is 13th October, 2026.

Promoting a cleaner & healthier village

- Grass cuts – 4 cuts have happened. Grass didn't need cutting in July as it hadn't grown. End of August was a semi-cut in the certain areas of the village.
- Chris Coverdale has cut the grass down Scackleton Lane again.
- Dog fouling is still occasionally occurring on all lanes.
- Wild Scackleton – Manor Farm dew pond & Highfield House pond have both had leaks which have been repaired and are filling up again. Highfield House pond is due to have wild flower seeds scattered on its banks.
- The Wild Scackleton talk which mentioned several other initiatives which residents at the meeting expressed an interest in – Dark Skies project (night biodiversity & lights), Bird feeders project & Village Green / Verges project. Still no reply from another email sent to Ellie Hook & Nick Burrows. Parish Clerk had written in response to the National Landscapes recent initiative sent to the Parish Council, but no response from this either.
- Bleed Control Kit
Purchased for Scackleton. Not yet in situ as need to be able to hang it up in the telephone box which is being looked at. Held off putting it in the telephone box due to the high temperatures over summer. Will be installed later this month.
- Phil Richardson has also cut back the ivy on the trees by the pinfold. The ivy is starting to die off.
- The hedges on Scackleton Bank still need cutting back. Need to follow up with the resident who reported the issue to NY council.
- The village marquee which is no longer used is on offer to anyone who would like it eg Scouting group, etc. It does need repairing, but also needs to be used more regularly. Nicole needs to obtain photos of the marquee from residents who have previously used it for Giles Naish to look at.

Defibrillator & kiosk

- The telephone kiosk is to be cleaned by Steve Britland. Requested volunteers to paint it and our Victorian post box.
- The management of the defibrillator has been handed over to Jim Louttit from Adam Blacklin.

Communication within the village

- Circulating the weekly Hovingham & Scackleton Village Diary by email & WhatsApp. 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.

- Safari Supper in August has had to be postponed. Unlikely to happen this year as best held during the summer months as easier for people to move around houses in the daylight.
- The Scackleton Harvest Festival will take place on Sunday 18th November at 3pm in St George's Church.
- Date for the carol service in December is to be confirmed.

Hovingham Market & Cafes

- November café is for St George's Church.