

EAST RIDING PARISH NEWS

Keeping you up-to-date with news about your area

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Pulling together in Wilberfoss

A project, which used funds from the Local Grant Fund, has made a huge impact in Wilberfoss. The parish council, Playing Fields Association and Wilberfoss in Bloom got together to plan a project to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and London 2012 Olympics and Paralympics. They raised funds through the Local Grant Fund and the National Lottery's Awards to install a table tennis table, wildlife garden, community mural and seating in the play area.

The project relied heavily on volunteers, including three schoolchildren who had joined the 2013 Humberside Lifestyle Project. The 'Lucky Lot' Lifestyle team of Rebecca, Evie and Latisha painted the community mural to include a number of themes, including the new parish logo, Jubilee, Olympics and the East Riding flag.

They got donations for their project from a wide range of people, including:

- Graffiti Magic in Kent, who provided over £200 worth of anti-graffiti paint
- £100 worth of acrylic paints provided by Sainsbury's of Pocklington
- Community Re-paint, Hull provided brushes, rollers, and recycled paint.

The 'Lucky Lot' girls also raised funds for the project and spoke with the parish council and agreed to buy table tennis bats and balls with some of the money. They are looking at installing a secure locker, with deposit facility, with the remaining funds.

The 'Lucky Lot' also worked on the wildlife garden, and raised support for:

- a free trellis panel from York Saw Mill
- moving the earth for the wildlife garden by Elvington Plant Hire
- plants for the wildlife garden from David Smith
- butterfly and insect houses from Dean Garden Centre
- a ladybird house from Langlands Garden Centre
- transport of plants from the garden centre by Grimstone Landscapes.

Sarah Wills, PFA secretary, said: "It really has been an opportunity for the community to come together and work as one. I am amazed at the results. The Lifestylers have brought the area to life. The generosity of those supporting the project freed up some of the funds we raised and allowed us buy a better quality table tennis table. Everyone involved has been amazed at what we have all achieved."

Community Partnerships

The dates of the next meetings are:

Beverley and Rural area
Monday, 14 October at 2pm
– Bishop Burton Village Hall

Bridlington and Driffield
Tuesday, 22 October at 1pm
– Bridlington Resource Centre

Goole and Howdenshire
Wednesday, 16 October at 10am
– Holme on Spalding Moor Village Hall

Haltemprice and Hunsley area
Wednesday, 16 October at 10am – North Ferriby Village Hall (NB changed from 25 October)

Holderness area
Monday, 7 October at 10pm
– Seaton Community Hall

Market Weighton and Pocklington area
Wednesday, 6 November at 2pm – Seaton Ross Village Hall

You can see agendas and notes of previous meetings at www.eastriding.gov.uk

From the Home Page, type "**Community Partnership**" in the **Search** box, and then choose from the results page.



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Homing In

A new credit union office has opened at The Shores Centre, Withernsea, on Wednesdays from 10-12 noon.

The Council is working with local Credit Unions to develop new ways to help residents manage their money and make sure important bills, like rent and council tax, are paid.

The council can help set up accounts so residents can manage their money, and will pay the membership fee.

Credit Unions already issue affordable loans, avoiding the high interest rates charged by doorstep and high street lenders. They also offer safe and handy ways to save up for Christmas, children's futures or just a rainy day.

Hull and East Yorkshire Credit Union has branches in Bridlington, Goole, Driffield, Beverley, Withernsea and Hull. To find out more, call (01482) 778753 or visit www.hullandeycu.co.uk

Mortgage Rescue team

Do you know someone who is in arrears and struggling with their mortgage payments? The mortgage rescue team may be able to help.

Contact Amy Dean or Pat Newsam to see if they can help, on (01482) 396259 or email them at either of: amy.dean@eastriding.gov.uk pat.newsam@eastriding.gov.uk



Reaching Communities

The Big Lottery Fund has announced changes to its Reaching Communities Programme for England, which town and parish councils can apply for. Funding from £10,000 upwards is now available for up to five years. Grants can fund salaries, running costs, a contribution to core costs and equipment.

Funding can also be made available for land, buildings or refurbishment capital costs of up to £100,000. A separate strand, Reaching Communities Buildings, provides funding for buildings projects costing more than £100,000.

Big Lottery have also removed the upper grant limit of £500,000 – organisations looking for more than £500,000 must first contact BIG to discuss why a larger project is appropriate.

The programme supports projects lasting up to five years that help people and communities most in need. Projects must achieve one or more of the following outcomes:

- people having better chances in life, with better access to training and development to improve their life skills.
- stronger communities, with more active citizens working together to tackle their problems.
- improved rural and urban environments, which communities are better able to access and enjoy.
- healthier and more active people and communities.

You can submit applications at any time and more information is available at: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_reaching_communities

Comic Relief Grants

The new UK main grants programme is now live and looks significantly different to the previous programme, with five broad themes rather than specialised programmes. These set out the kinds of people they want to reach and the issues they want to address. There are also five priorities, setting out the sort of work and ways of working that they want to fund.

Comic Relief has moved to continuous grant-making: there are no deadlines and groups can apply at any time. There is a two-stage application process with a short, first-stage application and a detailed, second-stage for proposals that are shortlisted. Grants can start from £10,000 and there is no upper limit although they expect most grants to be between £20,000 to £40,000 per annum.

There are more details at: <http://2013.comicrelief.com/apply-for-a-grant>





Winter Preparations

While many people have been enjoying the summer sun, the winter services team has been preparing for winter by filling salt barns, maintaining gritters, and ensuring staff are familiar with routes and trained in new procedures. The Council maintains nearly 3,500km of highway - and salting routes cover almost 50 per cent of them.

During more extended periods of bad weather, the Council also clears the snow from footways in the busiest urban areas. In recent years, the East Riding has borne the brunt of much of the severe winter weather, so the Council has bought 26 pedestrian-controlled snow-blowers to treat the busiest footways.

To make sure the Council is prepared to respond to bad weather and reduce the chance of disruption, it uses the summer months to maintain systems and equipment, service gritters and carry out practice runs of the treated routes. Town and parish councils that have bought equipment in recent years to 'self-help' their local community are advised to make similar preparations to ensure they are able to help during the worst of the winter weather.

What is the 'Local Offer'?

All councils have to publish a 'Local Offer,' which explains the services available to children and young people aged 0-25 who have special educational needs. The East Riding's will be a website with information for all children and young people, parents, carers and other adults. It will act as a 'one-stop shop' for information on services, clubs and activities.

The Council is developing our ideas and would like children and young people's views to make sure that it is done right. It would be a great help if town and parish councils could encourage young people in their area to take part, using the online questionnaire at:

www.eastriding.gov.uk/corp-survey/snapform/P01553/yplocaloffer1.htm

Positive Activities Grant 2014/15

These grants are available for organisations to deliver positive activities to groups of 8-19 year-olds, or up to age 25 for young people with additional needs. Grants are in two bands – up to £5,000 for organisations which support voluntary groups delivering positive activities, and up to £2,000 for registered East Riding voluntary youth organisations.

For more information, please contact Phil Jackson, positive activities theme manager, on (01482) 392804 or by email to: philip.jackson@eastriding.gov.uk

Carers' Newsletter

The Autumn edition of the newsletter for carers in the East Riding has just been sent to carers registered with the Carers Support Service.

This newsletter is sent free-of-charge to everyone who is registered with the service. To register, or find out more about the service, call Freephone 0800 917 6844, or (01482) 396500.

Or you can email: ercarers@eastriding.gov.uk

Or write to East Riding Carers Support Service, 18 Wednesday Market, Beverley HU17 0DJ

Best Christmas present

Michael Morpurgo, author of 'War Horse', will be at Bridlington Spa on Wednesday, 18 December. He and Virginia McKenna will read from his book 'Best Christmas Present in the World', which tells the story of a soldier's letter found a century after the famous 1914 Christmas Truce.

They will be accompanied by a cappella-singing, six-piece 'Voices at the Door'. They will sing Christmas carols from Britain, France and Flanders.

More information about tickets is available from:

www.beverleyfestival.com



Beverley Food Festival

The eighth Beverley Food Festival held on Sunday, 6 October was a real family day out, featuring food, festivities and fun.

Over 100 stalls sold the finest quality local food and drinks and offered mouth-watering treats to taste and buy.

Throughout the day, a Michelin star-studded line-up of local chefs gave cookery demonstrations, showing how to use local produce in everyday meals.

For more information, visit:

www.beverley.gov.uk

Art and Photographic Exhibition

Elloughton cum Brough Town Council is holding its annual exhibition at Brough Community Centre from Friday, 1 to Sunday, 3 November.

Trophies will be awarded for the public's favourite work in three categories for paintings, and for photographs.

Entry forms are available from the Town Council Office, 60 Welton Road, Brough and the Petuaria Centre, Centurion Way, Brough - telephone (01482) 665600. There is further information at:

www.elloughtonbrough-pc.gov.uk

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Wi-Fi at Market Weighton Community Hall

KCOM, formerly known as Kingston Communications, has installed wireless networking at the Community Hall as part of its ongoing community involvement.

The hall's management committee is very grateful for this generous donation as it gives them the opportunity to attract a wider range of clients - including those running training courses and conferences, which require direct access to the internet. Anyone interested in making use of the new facility should contact the booking clerk on (01430) 873121.

KCOM's Andy Whale said: "The main function of the Wi-Fi that we've installed is to enable the whole community to stay connected when they visit the community hall. We are increasingly living our lives online and being able to connect to the internet through a range of devices such as smartphones, laptops and iPads is part of everyday life for many people. We are proud to be playing a part in keeping the community connected."

Skerne and Wansford

The parish council put together a working party on Saturday, 5 October to tidy up the picnic table area of the canal bank. Residents gathered at the site at 1.30pm, with their own spades and brushes and spent two hours improving the area. In the wake of the clean-up, the parish council plans to enhance the bus shelter area by complementing the existing flower tubs with a planting scheme.

The parish council has also been talking with residents to find out their interest in a public access defibrillator scheme after Councillor Lynn Stockwell attended a Yorkshire Ambulance Service defibrillator / First Responder introduction.

The scheme puts a life-saving community public access defibrillator in a wall cabinet, which is connected to an electricity supply. This allows early treatment in case of a heart attack, diabetic coma or stroke. Any member of the public can access it by telephoning 999, and the ambulance service will know that the device is available and will give the access code and talk the caller through the procedure.

The parish council has asked the ambulance service's Neil Marsay to give a talk to interested residents immediately before the parish council meeting on 21 January.

Give us your news

Parish News is happy to receive comments from town and parish councils about the content and format of this newsletter – please feel free to get in touch and give us your opinions.

We welcome proposals for articles but cannot guarantee to print everything, as space is limited. If you would like to contribute to Parish News call **Coral Gladstone** on (01482) 391470, or email: community.partnerships@eastriding.gov.uk

