Ward news - information about your neighbourhood and community

Boothferry Flats

Our team of consultants, led by AR Urbanism, have begun work on plans for new housing on the Boothferry Flats site (Millport Drive, Torpoint Drive and Woolwich Drive). There will be at least the same number of energy efficient and sustainable new council homes as the flats they replace. We will also keep about a third of the greenspace as part of the design. These ideas are at an early stage and a key part of the work will be consultation with the community to develop these. There will be plenty more events throughout the coming year for you to comment and feedback on how you would like the site to look and what is important to you.



We would love to meet with businesses, residents groups, schools, young people, care homes and other community groups, to start a conversation so do get in touch.

Have your say and view the first ideas for the new housing from 1 - 11 March by using this link https://www.hull.gov.uk/regeneration-1/new-housebuilding-regeneration/2

Or visit us on Tuesday 5 March 12.30 - 6pm St Nicholas Church Hall 898 Hessle Road HU4 6SA



St Thomas More "pocket park"

Following concern about travellers visiting St Thomas More field, and subsequent consultation with adults and young people, the West Area Team has made a successful bid to fund a pocket park. This is a community space for residents to enjoy. This doesn't include play equipment.

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Cracking down on anti-social behaviour

Hull City Council's Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) team have been working with Humberside Police to tackle ASB among young people locally.

The most visible action is the erection of CCTV cameras at the Bethune and Sibelius Road shops to help identify those involved. When identified, the council's ASB officers, together with the police have visited the young people's parents identified and issued warnings that they could lose their tenancies if they are unwilling to address their child's behaviour.

Two young people have already been placed on Anti-Social Behaviour contracts and three others have been issued with Community Protection Notice warnings. From March to October 2023, 14 young people have been spoken to jointly by council's ASB team and the police about their behaviour at the shops on Sibelius Road and Bethune Avenue.

The Crime Prevention fund

Last year the council introduced its Crime Prevention Fund.

It offers grants of between £500 and £25,000 for crime prevention projects which would:

- · reduce crime in the area
- reduce anti-social behaviour
- improve community safety

More details about the Fund and how to apply can be found at https://www.hull.gov.uk/communities-1/crime-prevention-fund



How has the Crime Prevention Fund helped Pickering?

Since the Fund was launched, Pickering has benefited from:

- · a contribution towards the gating scheme on Bethune Avenue
- fencing to the rear of Bethune Avenue, backing onto Ulverston ten foot, to help stop bikers from cutting through
- a fence and chicane at Gower Park to deter bikers from using the park
- two x CCTV cameras for our area
- contribution towards the resurfacing of Gower Park.

Rewilding Boothferry

During the cold months, the Rewilding project has in place a 12-week trial. The trial has been successful, and we would like to continue the project. Les, from the Rewilding, will be on site on Saturday mornings between 10am - 12 noon (weather permitting).

Keep an eye on social media link for information when he will be starting work at Gower Park. https://www.rewildingyouth.co.uk/

We are working with Rewilding Youth to keep them working on the area so that your children can enjoy fun and educational activities throughout the school holidays.



EDUCATION FOR FREEDOM

Bring Out Your Rubbish Days

Over the last 12 months, Pickering Ward has held four Bring Out Your Rubbish Days (BOYRDs) in various parts of the ward. We've still to calculate the January BOYRD, however the previous three collected 77.6 tons of rubbish and 77 unwanted white goods.

Due to the cost of BOYRDs, whether or not to continue them this year is under discussion.

Hull City Council has a bulky items collection, and each household is entitled to one free visit in each calendar year, removing up to 5 items per 12 month period. Please contact Hull City Council on 01482 300 300 if you would like more information on which items are eligible for collection and to make your appointment.

Community Groups working in your area

The Community groups below are all working to make a difference in your community. So much of what is achieved in the area wouldn't be possible without the good will of their volunteers. If you would like to volunteer in one of these groups or build a group of your own contact west.areateam@hullcc.gov.uk

The newly formed Friends of Gower Park (Frog) and surrounding communities has already been busy this year. The Christmas event was very popular with Santa turning up for the children. Look out for more things from this group at Easter.







HU4 Community Trust now has charitable status. The group works work hard to provide a vital service to the community. Its Warm Space opens five days a week 9.30am-2pm, and provides a well-used food bank, hot meals and activities.







Pickering Road Community Orchard. This group often arrange pick your own events throughout the year. Recently, they held their annual 'Wassail' which was a great start to the new year. More details can be found on Pickering Road Community Orchard Facebook page. (photos by Heather Crombie)







Neighbourhood Watch groups are always welcome in the area, if you would like to be part of a group, or set one up, please get in touch.

Police and Crime Commissioner and Local Government Elections - Thursday 2 May 2024

Please note that electors must show photo ID at their polling stations before they receive their ballot papers to vote for in May's elections for the Police Commissioner and local councillors. In the local council ballot, one councillor will be up for election. If you don't have any of the accepted forms of ID you can apply for a free Voter Authority Certificate at: Apply for photo ID to vote (called a 'Voter Authority Certificate') - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Alternatively, you can vote by postal vote. You can have a postal vote simply because it would be more convenient for you or if you can't get down to the polling station, for example you are on holiday or because your work schedule means you can't get to a polling station. You will be sent a postal vote ballot pack before the election. Find out more about how to vote by post here - https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/apply-vote-post.

You can now apply online at: https://www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote or contact the council's Electoral Services team

Helpline: (01482) 613 386

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Ward forums

This year, ward forums will be different. Instead of inviting you to a meeting, we want to come to you. From spring, we will begin a series of pop-up forums, so let us know if you're concerned about anything in your area which you would like to discuss with councillors. If so, email Lisa at west.areateam@hullcc.gov.uk

The pop-up forums will include other partners who are active in the area such as the local policing team. Refreshments are usually available and free gifts from time to time.

Look out for dates of forthcoming pop-up forums on social media and notice boards in your area.

The next two ward forums will be held at St Nicholas Church on Pickering Road on 14 March 2024 and 9 May 2024 both between 8.30 to 11.00am.

Considerate parking

Inconsiderate parking can hinder fire engines or other emergency vehicles reaching a house fire or other serious incident.

Please think - what if your home needed an emergency vehicle to attend?

Would it be able to get through?

Please consider emergency access when looking for somewhere to park your vehicle.



This document can be made available in other formats (large print, audio and Braille) and different community languages. Please telephone (01482) 300 300.



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