

Summer 2024

# Pickering News

Ward news - information about your neighbourhood and community

## Community Action Day

In June, we held a Community Action Day. This was in response to a number of burglaries in the St Nicholas Avenue and Graham Avenue areas. Days such as these provide an opportunity for partners, including the police, Neighbourhood Team and other organisations active in the community to work together on a specific project.

During the day we completed door to door visits, offering people the opportunity to sign up to My Community Alerts [www.mycommunityalert](http://www.mycommunityalert), a free messaging system operated by Humberside Police, which gives you live information about incidents happening in your area.

We also fitted shed, window, and door alarms

In total on the Community Action Day we:

- visited 200 properties
- spoke to residents living in 40% of households the area
- fitted 52 shed alarms
- fitted 20 window alarms
- made six referrals for smoke alarms
- signed up 34 residents for My Community Alerts

The day helped to identify where vulnerable people were living and gave residents a chance to raise other areas of concern such as fly-tipping and we also spoke to people interested in setting up a Neighbourhood Watch group.



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# Problem motorbikes

Again, we have had problems with motorbikes and anti-social behaviour on Bethune and Sibelius Road. Calls to the police and council were especially high in March and April.

Operation Yellowfin swung into action. This is the police's campaign to clampdown on motorbike crime, and involves the police working with partner agencies. There is now a higher police presence on the streets. After two weeks, calls to the police were down by 50 per cent.

It is always important to report these incidents to the police as it provides valuable intelligence and helps to stamp out crime. Just phone 101.



# Changes to Gower Park

We've been successful in getting money to modernise Gower Park and we have consulted residents on what they would like in the park, especially those who used the old skate park. The skate park had to be closed for safety reasons and has now been transformed into a MUGA with lighting. It's good to see how popular it has become since it opened at Easter.



# Project Clean Streets

Project Clean Streets has been working in the area to the north of Boothferry Road, edging all the grass verges and cutting back the overgrown old garage site on Sibelius Road.

A colorful poster for 'healthy holidays summer'. It features a sun, a QR code with the text 'scan me', and a cartoon character. Text includes 'free activities for school aged children and young people living in Hull' and 'with free food included'. The website [www.healthyholidayshull.org](http://www.healthyholidayshull.org) is listed at the bottom.The logo for 'Living with Water', featuring a stylized bridge and water, with the text 'HULL AND EAST RIDING LIVING with WATER' below it.

## Why do need to be flood aware?

At Living with Water, our job is to help residents and businesses in Hull and East Riding become more resilient to flooding. Part of this is our Be Flood Aware campaign, which aims to raise awareness of flood risks in our area and deliver practical advice and information to help local people protect their homes and businesses.

## Litter picking around Pickering : Fun on Gower Park

This summer we are holding litter picks around Pickering and hope as many of who can will get involved. Our first was in July on Gower Road and Anlaby Park Road South, followed by another at the beginning of August on Sibelius Road.

Keep an eye on our social media pages on X and Facebook, (West Area Committee).

If you would like to suggest an area in need of a litter pick, contact the West Area Team on (WAT@hullcc.gov.uk)



This year the ward budget paid for a mini carnival in Gower Park, which was organised with help from the Friends of Gower Park (FROG).

It was great fun with the community coming together to enjoy the carnival, arts, mini parade in the park, sports and crafts by FROG and music for everyone.

As well as having a good time, residents said that they welcomed the park being used for community events and wonderful to see the space so full and alive with people from across the neighbourhood.

Look out for the latest events this summer in Pickering and throughout the city on the community notice boards and social media pages West Area Committee (X and Facebook).

## Help prevent fires in Pickering

Recently, there has been a number of fires in the ward, particularly involving wheelie bins. A replacement bin costs residents £36, so we are encouraging people to lock their bins away once they have been emptied.

A fly-tipped mattress in Tilbury Street was recently set alight, bulky items can be collected by the council. Residents are entitled to up to one collection of five bulky items free of charge during a 12-month period. All you have to do is complete and send the form on the council's website.

Over the last few weeks, Humberside Fire and Rescue Service have attended fires caused by washing machines, tumble driers and dishwashers, they are warning people not to run them if you are out of the house.

An advertisement for the FireStoppers campaign. The background is a fiery orange and yellow. On the left is the Humberside Fire &amp; Rescue Service logo. The main text reads 'Be a FireStopper. Deliberate fires destroy lives.' On the right, it says 'Tell us what you know FireStoppers. 0800 169 5558 firestoppersreport.co.uk 100% anonymous. Always.'

# Summer fun with our community groups

Our community groups have organised a fun packed programme of activities for children over the summer holidays. There's still time pop along and enjoy them.

**HU4, as well as in their usual place on Sibelius Road, will be on Dragon Park from 11am to 2pm on:**

- Tuesday 20 August - Wolfe Pack theatre is hosting 'bridging the bridge'
- Wednesday 28 August - Ice cream and teddy bears picnic, bring teddies and a blanket to sit on

**Friends of Gower Park and Surrounding Communities will be on Gower Park from 11am to 2pm on:**

- Saturday 18 August - Team Games and Arts and Crafts
- Saturday 24 August - Team Games and Arts and Crafts

**Pickering Road community orchard have had a good crop this year and will be hosting pick your own days from 12noon to 2pm on:**

- Sunday 18 August
- Sunday 8 September
- Sunday 22 September
- Saturday 5 October
- Sunday 1 September
- Sunday 15 September
- Sunday 29 September - CLOSED
- Saturday 12 October

**Last admission 1.30pm**

**Price list (cash only)**

- Apples £2 per kilo
- Windfalls £1 per tray
- Honey £6.50 per jar
- Brambles £1 per 500g

**Thank you to all the volunteer groups who have given up their time to help others and make these events happen.**

**If you would like to volunteer with one of the above groups, they can all be contacted on Facebook**

**If you want to start you own group, please contact: Lisa Bendelow on West Area Team (WAT@hullcc.gov.uk)**

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## 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.

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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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