

EAST RIDING PARISH NEWS

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Nominations for Chairman's Awards

East Riding of Yorkshire Council is encouraging town and parish councils to submit nominations for the prestigious Chairman's Awards, which are now into their fifteenth year. The council presents these awards to individuals, companies and organisations in the East Riding to recognise their achievements towards enhancing the well-being of the area where they work and live.

The awards are in five categories:

- **Community** : recognises groups and individuals who work tirelessly to help others in the community with a non-commercial project
- **Built heritage** : celebrates private homes and business premises that have been sympathetically renovated and restored to retain the character of the East Riding
- **Environment** : for those who have improved the environment or area where they live. This includes reducing waste, addressing litter problems or creating and enhancing wildlife habitats
- **Business** : recognises companies who have helped the economy flourish. This can be through recent expansion, the creation of new jobs or investing in the training of employees and the area
- **Sport** : has two sub-categories of junior volunteer and talented performer.

The top entries in each category will be invited to an awards ceremony to be held at The Spa Bridlington in May, where the winners will be announced.

Chairman of East Riding of Yorkshire Council Councillor Claude Mole, said: "The Chairman's Awards offer a fantastic opportunity for the public to nominate individuals or groups and I am delighted that the council is able to support them for another year.

There are many people who work tirelessly in their communities to make a difference to others and often receive little recognition. The Chairman's Awards are the ideal opportunity to show them how much their work is appreciated."

To submit a nomination for the Chairman's Awards, you can either visit www.eastriding.gov.uk/chairmansawards or ring the civic office on (01482) 393260. The closing date for nominations is 21 February 2014.

Community Partnerships

The dates of the next meetings are:

Beverley and Rural area
Thursday, 13 March at 10am
– Longcroft School

Bridlington and Driffield
Wednesday, 19 March at 10.30am – Flamborough Village Hall

Goole and Howdenshire
Wednesday, 12 March at 10am – Rawcliffe Village Hall

Haltemprice and Hunsley area
Thursday, 6 March at 10am
– venue to be confirmed

Holderness area
Monday, 10 March at 10am
– Ottringham Village Hall

Market Weighton and Pocklington area
Tuesday, 11 February at 2pm – Shiptonthorpe Village Hall, and Thursday, 3 April – venue to be confirmed

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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Community Covenant grant

This £30m scheme delivers financial support to local projects which strengthen ties or mutual understanding between members of the armed forces community and the community where they live.

Recently, Leconfield Playing Fields Association was successful with its £27,177 bid for new playground equipment. By securing this grant, it allowed them the Association to get a further £16,523 from East Riding of Yorkshire Council's Sport, Play and Arts Community Development Fund and the Commuted Sums fund.

Projects can encourage local communities to support the armed forces community, and nurture public understanding and awareness amongst the public of issues affecting them. They can also recognise and remember the sacrifices faced by the armed forces community, and help integrate them into local life.

Applications for funding can be submitted by any part of the community. Bids are first considered by the local Community Covenant Partnership. Bids that are endorsed are then submitted to the Ministry of Defence.

For further information, contact

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Connecting to support

Connect to Support is a new website for people needing support in the East Riding. You can find everything you need to help you, from local to national products and services, plus information, advice and much more. The site has replaced the PRIME database, which some of you may have used.

The new website provides a directory of community activities, from one-off events or social activities, to assessment-based services. You can find local information, events, groups and organisations. It also has the facility for people to buy care and support, like care home provision and equipment.

One of the sections lets users find local groups and activities. This shows loads of low-cost and even free local groups and activities in your area, like sports activities, craft, and dance - it's a great way for your residents to get involved and make new friends.

The 'Need Help' area of the site shows useful council information and contact details, so you know who to contact if you need help with anything. There are answers to questions people often ask and an area to share life stories with other people - it's a great way of getting ideas about how to live the life you want!

The website is at <https://www.shop4support.com/s4s/Wherellive/Council?pageId=362>

Green Share Network 2nd annual conference

The Green Share Network provides a way for environmentally-minded people and organisations to communicate with each other and with the public and private sector. It is open to organisations, individuals and businesses in the East Riding of Yorkshire with an interest in environmental issues. This includes re-use and recycling, wildlife, green spaces, community growing projects, sustainable transport and environmental education.

The annual conference on 19 March in Hull will feature expert speakers from Hull and East Riding Timebank, Hull Advice, UK Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens, and City University New York. There will also be workshops and practical sessions on a range of issues relating to the environment and sustainability, as well as information stands and opportunities to network with a wide range of people and organisations.

To cover the cost of refreshments and a locally-sourced buffet lunch there is a small charge for attending the event – for volunteers this is £5. To see more and book a place, go to the Eventbrite website at www.eventbrite.co.uk and search for “Green Share 2014” – make sure you set your search location to “Hull”.





East Riding Children's Centres - something for everyone

All children's centres in the East Riding aim to give all our children the best start in life, by providing families with a range of services so that all children are ready for school. Every family is linked to a centre in their area, but parents can use services wherever it suits them best.

Parents can be involved with a children's centre from pregnancy right through to starting school. All families are welcome to join them for 'Bumps to Babies' antenatal classes, baby massage, baby play sessions ('Babies Playing' and 'Creepy Crawlies'), toddler play sessions ('Let's Get') and home-learning packages.

Children's centres provide opportunities for children and parents to make friendships, support each other, or seek professional advice and find out about what is available in their community. The centres are also out and about, supporting parent toddler groups and linking with local nurseries and other child care services.

Sometimes parents need a little extra help along the way. Local children's centres offers a variety of support groups tailored to local need. These may include :

- young parents groups
- 'Talk Time' : supporting children's speech and language
- 'Our Time' : promoting parents' self-confidence and positive mental health
- breast-feeding groups
- 'Family Links' : parenting programme
- 'Play and Learn' : supporting children starting school)
- 'Bookstart' : visits for two year-olds
- home safety workshops.

A children's centre worker can also work with a family on a one-to-one basis, offering help and advice, and showing them how to get support for things like behaviour management, sleep and toilet training, parenting support and advice, breast-feeding, weaning and feeding, establishing household routines, money matters and budgeting, emotional support and accessing training or employment opportunities.

For more information about your local children's centre, contact Families Information Service (FISH) on (01482) 396469 or visit www.fish.eastriding.gov.uk

We look forward to seeing your community's parents at a children's centre near you.

Becoming a foster carer

If you know someone who has thought about becoming a foster carer, they may want to know about these events at Tickton Grange Hotel, Tickton, Beverley HU17 9SH.

- Tuesday 25 March at 6pm
- Monday 9 June at 6pm

Guests will have an opportunity to talk to existing foster carers, looked-after children, social workers and East Riding of Yorkshire Council's specialist training team, to ask any questions they may have. There will also be a presentation by the fostering team.

The fostering team is looking for foster carers for children of all ages from birth upwards, and is particularly keen to find suitable carers for longer-term placements and sibling groups.

Almost anyone can apply to be a foster carer but, as with any career, some people will be more suited to it than others. Key qualities include being a great listener, having a good sense of humour, being optimistic, having your feet firmly on the ground and showing resilience.

To find out more or to register your interest, please ring (01482) 396673 or email:

fostering@eastriding.gov.uk



Johnny Depp in Bempton

Residents of Bempton and Buckton are looking forward to welcoming Johnny Depp to their community hall on Saturday 15 February. The community hall has chosen Depp's Disney movie "The Lone Ranger" for their first Cine Yorkshire screening.

Depp plays the renegade Comanche, Tonto who teams up with the masked Lone Ranger to fight injustice in a legendary adventure.

Tickets are on sale now from 08445 005152.

Details of the new Spring Cine Yorkshire season have just been released and brochures will be available at all East Riding libraries and Tourist Information Centres.

For details of a village venue near you, visit www.cineyorkshire.co.uk

Community Tree Packs

The Woodland Trust has announced that these are available for this autumn. Why not bring your community together to plant free trees from the Trust and enhance where you live?

Trees create homes for wildlife, provide shelter and shade, produce beautiful autumn colour and produce a wild harvest for all.

There is more information on the website, at www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/in-your-community/



Building a greater sense of community

Two East Riding villages gained Gold Rose Awards in the large village section of Yorkshire in Bloom 2013 - Nafferton and Hutton Cranswick. As well as being a great achievement, both villages were also recognised for work in the community. John Allred was given the Community Champion Award for his work in Nafferton, and Hutton Cranswick got the judges' Discretionary Award for Community Involvement.

So how does In Bloom bring a community together? Volunteers working together to create something attractive helps to develop friendships. Passers-by stopping to chat about work being done helps to spread the word. Living in an area that is well cared-for, colourful and litter-free gives residents a pride in their environment. In Bloom always has projects that can be done by other community groups: youngsters at playgroup; Scouting and Guiding Groups; school groups, WI Groups, wildlife groups, and so on.

When the Royal Horticultural Society began sponsoring Britain in Bloom in 2001, they took on the challenge of developing 'Britain's biggest horticultural movement' to 'transform every aspect of community life for the better.' The campaign now contains two elements 'In Bloom' and 'It's Your Neighbourhood'. By harnessing volunteer power, the campaign can benefit a community socially, economically, environmentally and can transform areas visually by 'tackling problematic spaces'.

New residents and visitors to Hutton Cranswick comment on the 'wonderful sense of community'. A young boy waiting for the school bus was overheard to say, 'I love living here – there are pretty flowers everywhere.' If youngsters can grow up with a sense of pride in and caring for their environment, that has to be good for the future.

For more information on the In Bloom or It's Your Neighbourhood campaigns, please visit: www.rhs.org.uk/communities.

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 **Brad Webster** on (01482) 391431, or email: community.partnerships@eastriding.gov.uk

