

EAST RIDING PARISH NEWS

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

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Tour de Yorkshire

The first ever Tour de Yorkshire cycle race will take place from Friday, 1 to Sunday, 3 May. The three-day event is a professional international cycle race, secured by Welcome to Yorkshire as part of the legacy of last year's Tour de France Grand Départ.

Stage one on Friday, 1 May will start in Bridlington and finish in Scarborough. Stage two on Saturday, 2 May will start in Selby and finish in York. Stage three on Sunday, 3 May will start in Wakefield and finish in Leeds. Details of the routes are available at letour.yorkshire.com/route-maps

Volunteer Tour Makers from last year's Grand Départ will once again line parts of the route, helping spectators to enjoy the event and give a warm Yorkshire welcome to those from further afield. The Tour de Yorkshire Festival will celebrate the county's fantastic arts and cultural scene in the month leading up to the race weekend.

The race will be televised in the UK and more than 40 countries around the world. If your community is on the route, the Council hopes you'll get involved by showing off villages and towns as the spotlight is shone on East Yorkshire. Bunting-making is under way, flower beds being designed and village fetes planned. The Council hopes your community will have a fantastic Tour de Yorkshire.

You can see the latest information at letouryorkshire.com

Local Grant Fund 2015/16

Following the success of previous years' Local Grant Funds, the scheme has been approved for continuation in 2015/16. Full details have not been confirmed, but it is expected that town and parish councils will be able to apply for up to £3,000.

It is anticipated that the fund will continue to prioritise activities that focus on community resilience and emergency preparedness, including severe weather and flood preparations. Further details will be sent to clerks as soon as they are available. If you have ideas that you would like to explore, discuss them with your community partnership coordinator.

Community Partnerships

The dates of the next meetings are:

Beverley and Rural area
Thursday, 9 April at 2pm –
Tickton Village Hall

Bridlington and Driffield area
Tuesday, 19 May at 10.30am
– venue to be confirmed

Goole and Howdenshire area
Wednesday, 25 March at
10am – Holme on Spalding
Moor Village Hall

Haltemprice and Hunsley area
Thursday, 16 April at
10.30am – Cottingham High
School

Holderness area
Tuesday, 19 May at 10.30am
– venue to be confirmed

Market Weighton and Pocklington area
Friday, 15 May at 10am –
Wilberfoss Community 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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Neighbourhood planning workshops

Humber and Wolds RCC is coordinating a series of local information events where you can discuss the potential action you can take within your community.

These events are being added to the next Community Partnership meeting in your area. Parish clerks are being made aware of the dates as they are arranged.

YORSwitch reopens

Residents have again been offered market-leading rates on energy prices. Householders who signed up for this round could save an average of £233 each on their annual energy bills.

More than 2,000 households in the East Riding registered for the YORSwitch scheme. These were combined with other similar initiatives around the UK to create a collective of 30,000 households from more than 100 local authorities.

Because the tariffs achieved by the auction are such good rates, registration for the scheme was reopened until Monday, 16 March.

East Riding of Yorkshire Council organises YORSwitch as part of the Big Community Switch. You can register your details, without any commitment, by visiting eastriding.gov.uk/yorswitch



Photo taken by Phil Bird

Funding for Neighbourhood Planning

The Government recently confirmed funding for neighbourhood planning in April 2015 and town and parish councils writing a plan can apply for grants up to £8,000. Locality has organised a workshop in Manchester on Monday, 16 March to provide further information about the support programme. You can read about the workshop at locality.org.uk/events/?locality_theme=26

Neighbourhood plans encourage town and parish councils to take an active role in developing local planning policy. The first stage is for them to suggest a designated neighbourhood area, usually following existing parish boundaries. East Riding of Yorkshire Council organises consultation on proposed neighbourhood areas and designates the area, unless there are planning reasons not to.

In February, the Government changed the process for designating neighbourhood areas, introducing timescales for local authorities to determine applications. The changes make it quicker for town and parish councils to see their proposed neighbourhood area designated. The time limits are now:

- 20 weeks, where the area is within two or more local planning authorities
- 8 weeks, where the area is the whole of the area of the parish council
- 13 weeks in all other cases.

Eight town and parish councils in the East Riding already have designated neighbourhood areas. You can find information about neighbourhood plans, and a note explaining how to prepare one, by typing "neighbourhood planning" into the search box at eastriding.gov.uk, or contact Jessica Hobson, planning officer, at jessica.hobson@eastriding.gov.uk

Examination and consultation on main modifications to Local Plan

The emerging East Riding Local Plan establishes planning policies for the next 15 years. It was submitted for examination in April 2014 and the independent planning inspector held a series of public hearing sessions in October and November. It is now in the final stages of being examined by the inspector.

During the hearing sessions, the council suggested a number of amendments to the Local Plan to resolve concerns that the plan may be unsound. These proposed modifications were summarised in a briefing note sent to town and parish councils in November. Consultation on these proposed changes is expected to take place shortly. Town and parish councils will be notified at the start of the consultation period. You can see more details as they are made available on the council's website at eastriding.gov.uk/localplanexam





Thinking about getting involved ?

A national spring clean is being held on Saturday, 21 March - the first day of spring - in partnership with Keep Britain Tidy. It aims to spruce up the country's streets, villages and parks.

You may already have a community group who regularly litter-pick, and they might be interested to know about the initiative. Or, you might have some people who had thought about forming a group, but didn't know what to do next or how they could get the equipment to carry out the work. Your group might want to get involved in a one-off event, or it might be the first of a regular series of events.

If so, the community partnership team is happy to help your group get started. We can supply useful advice, including safety tips, and also help you get hold of litter-pickers, gloves and black sacks, free of charge. Contact the community partnership coordinator for your area to find out more.

Also, a handy tool kit and information pack has been produced which includes customisable posters, leaflets and banners. It can be downloaded free from bit.ly/clearupday and includes tips for carrying out a litter-pick. If you want, you can register your event and find out about other clear-up activities in your area from Keep Britain Tidy at thebigtidyup.org

Awards For All workshop

Voluntary sector organisations are invited to attend a free workshop, delivered by Rob Malyan from Big Lottery on Wednesday, 25 March from 11am-12.30pm, at Holme-on-Spalding-Moor Village Hall, YO43 4EN. The workshop will include the application process, what's needed for a successful bid and why some bids fail.

Rob will point people in the right direction if he feels Awards For All is not right for their project. He is happy to advise on other lottery funding pots that projects will be eligible for. Contact Theresa Gale, community partnership coordinator, if you would like to attend, by email theresa.gale@eastriding.gov.uk

YORhub 4 Good funding

Community groups can apply before Thursday, 2 April for up to £10,000 for projects for cash, materials and labour. Projects must help small to medium enterprises and encourage self-sufficiency.

Visit yorhub.com/what-we-do/economic-regeneration to find out more and apply, or email tina-louise.phillips@eastriding.gov.uk

Broadband East Riding

A new range of free broadband business support workshops will take place in the East Riding in spring 2015. Workshops include:

- Social Media Basics for Business
- Facebook for Business
- LinkedIn for Business
- Twitter for Business
- Alternative Social Media
- Online Video Marketing
- Search Engine Optimisation
- Email Marketing
- Google Analytics
- Legalities of Social Media for Business
- Introduction to WordPress
- Cloud Computing

The workshops will take place in Beverley, Driffild, Bridlington, Pocklington and Goole. For more information, visit broadband.eastriding.gov.uk/workshops

Recycling talks

The waste and recycling team are continuing their programme of waste and recycling talks this year.

Cherry Burton Golf Club recently wrote to them to tell them they had recently installed a battery collection point. They noted there wasn't another service like it for five or six miles.

If you would like to discuss any waste and recycling issues, email karen.wagg@eastriding.gov.uk



Art and Photography Exhibition

Elloughton-cum-Brough Town Council is holding its 8th annual exhibition at its new springtime slot.

The event will take place from Friday, 10 to Sunday, 12 April at the Petuaria Centre, Centurion Way, Brough.

Opening times are:

- Friday, 7.30-9.30pm
- Saturday, 10am to 4pm
- Sunday, 10am to 2pm

For further details, contact Vicky Herring on (01482) 665600 or email vicky.herring@elloughtonbrough.karoo.co.uk

Poetry Competition

The Philip Larkin and East Riding Poetry Competition 2015 is open for entries. It will be judged by acclaimed poet Jean Sprackland. The closing date is Friday, 10 April.

Prizes are :

- 1st - £1000
- 2nd - £500
- 3rd - £200.

Other prizes include five commendations of £20 each, and a Young Poet's Prize of £100 and free entry.

For more information about the 2015 Bridlington Poetry Festival line-up and to download a competition flier, visit bridlington-poetry-festival.com or call the box office on (01482) 392699.



New start for leisure centre

East Riding Leisure Beverley will soon be marking the completion of a £1.2 million improvement programme. The new purpose-built, state-of-the-art Tone Zone health and fitness suite will boast an extensive range of high-tech resistance and cardiovascular equipment.

The new facility has doubled in size to house 90 pieces of equipment. There will also be a purpose-built spin-cycling room. The old gym will be converted into a studio to be known as Group X Studio to host fitness classes. Work will start as soon as the new Tone Zone is available to users.

East Riding College, Beverley, has agreed a partnership with the leisure centre to start when the college's new Beverley campus opens in September. Those studying sport coaching, development and fitness qualifications will take theory lessons in the modern £14m campus and benefit from practical sessions using the indoor and outdoor facilities at the centre.

New markets for 2015

A Local Produce Monthly Market will be held in Wednesday Market, Beverley, with stalls selling the very best in locally-produced food and drink. There will be a special launch event on Wednesday, 8 April with fun activities for children.

Further markets will be held on Wednesday, 13 May, 17 June, 15 July, 19 August and 16 September, from 9am to 3pm. The markets are supported by Beverley Town Council's From Field to Table project and the East Riding of Yorkshire Council's High Street Fund, in partnership with East Yorkshire Local Food Network, Beverley FM and Beverley Minster.

Local talent sought

West Wolds Radio is due to go on the air in early summer and is holding open-house events to find volunteers to become the voices of the new service. If you know anyone who wants to become a presenter or reporter, visit a coffee morning on Saturday, 14 March or 18 April at the Arts Centre, Pocklington.

Give us your views

We have produced Parish News every month since June 2008, and send paper or electronic copies to all 168 town and parish councils. We write it for a wide range of sizes of organisation, from large town councils to small rural parishes.

We have produced a short questionnaire to help us to understand your views about Parish News. We have emailed the survey to all clerks. Or you can complete an online survey at surveymonkey.com/s/P896VWC – the closing date is Monday, 13 April.

