

EAST RIDING PARISH NEWS

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

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Review of winter services policy

Information about this 3-yearly review, due to be reported in July 2016, has recently been sent to clerks of town and parish councils to ask for comments. East Riding of Yorkshire Council allocates the highways it treats into one of three network types : precautionary, secondary and most heavily-used footways.

The network is defined using approved criteria and no major changes are anticipated, so the winter services team is not looking to make additions. They are asking for comments about the service in general, potential service improvements and views on how third parties can help if the weather becomes particularly bad.

You can find details of how the winter services team deliver winter services on the website at eastriding.gov.uk/winter - click on the link for 'Road and footpath salting' to see the treated network.

You can send any comments to Lester Burton at lester.burton@eastriding.gov.uk by Friday, 18 December. You can also post them to Lester Burton, East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Beverley Depot, Annie Reed Road, Beverley HU17 0LF

Christmas bin collections

Collection dates across the East Riding for green, blue and brown bins will change over the Christmas period between Friday, 25 December and Sunday, 17 January. Collection dates will return to normal on Monday, 18 January.

Revised collection dates are available at bins.eastriding.gov.uk. New bin collection calendars will be posted soon, showing the revised dates and all dates up to Saturday, 24 December 2016. You can also sign up to the council's free text reminder service – information is on the calendar and on the website.

Household waste and recycling sites will be open from 10am to 5pm, but will close at 4pm on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. They will be closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

Real Christmas trees can be recycled in the brown bin - remove all lights and decorations. Food waste including cooked and uncooked food, carcasses, bones, fruit and vegetable peelings should also go into kitchen caddies and the brown bin. Cards, wrapping paper and cardboard boxes can be put in the blue bin.

Neighbourhood planning

East Riding of Yorkshire Council has recently published a series of new topic notes that provide further guidance on neighbourhood planning.

The notes include a step by-step guide to preparing Plans and Orders, guidance on community consultation and engagement and information on the grant funding available to town and parish councils.

There is more information on the East Riding website at eastriding.gov.uk/neighbourhood-planning

If you would like more information on neighbourhood planning, or would like to discuss neighbourhood planning in your area, contact the forward planning team at forward.planning@eastriding.gov.uk or call (01482) 391738.

Tesco local community scheme

Very few bids have been received from this area for this scheme which can pay for projects to improve local green spaces. Projects will include building new pocket parks, sports facilities, woodland walks and community gardens. The nomination form is at groundwork.org.uk/sites/tescocommunityscheme



EAST RIDING
OF YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

Would you like something scrutinising?

East Riding of Yorkshire Council's overview and scrutiny committees want to hear from members of the public who would like to put forward topics to discuss.

There are five overview and scrutiny committees. They consider a wide variety of topics covered by the Council and its partners, including Humberside Police, Humberside Fire and Rescue Service and local NHS.

This year they have looked at school buildings, school funding, potholes, controlled parking zones, special expenses, council assets, local drug trends, maternity services, cancer services, road safety and sheltered housing.

The committees can produce recommendations and reports offering advice on policies, budgets and service delivery. They focus on issues affecting residents and visitors to the East Riding and can also make recommendations to partner organisations.

Scrutiny committees are not forums for receiving complaints and cannot get involved in planning application issues.

If you would like to put forward a suggestion, email scrutiny@eastriding.gov.uk or telephone (01482) 393204. The deadline for submitting ideas is Friday, 8 January.



Chairman's Awards 2016

Town and parish councils are being encouraged to make nominations for the 2016 East Riding of Yorkshire Council's Chairman's Awards. The annual awards, presented at a ceremony at The Spa Bridlington in May, are given to individuals, businesses and projects that have helped improve the East Riding in the past year.

Everyone is encouraged to nominate deserving people, organisations or projects and to also tell family, friends and neighbours about the awards.

The awards are in five categories:

- community – recognises groups and individuals for their contribution to improving lives of those living in the East Riding with a non-commercial project
- built heritage – celebrates private homes or business premises that have been sympathetically renovated and restored
- environment – recognises projects that have made an impact in the environment
- business – recognises businesses that have helped the economy flourish
- sport – celebrates local talent and commitment to sports clubs and activities.

Nominations can be made at eastriding.gov.uk/chairmansawards or emailed to chairmans.award@eastriding.gov.uk. Or call Sarah Asquith, civic officer, on (01482) 393260. The closing date for nominations is Saturday, 31 January.

Consultation about charging for social care

The Care Act 2014, which came into effect on 1 April, requires councils across the country to have a new charging policy in place by April 2016. A series of events have been held in the East Riding in November to help residents find out more about charges for services. The final event will be held on Tuesday, 8 December, 5-8pm at Beverley Memorial Hall.

All East Riding residents, including adults with social care needs and carers, are being encouraged to take part in the consultation by completing a questionnaire. Copies have already been sent to service users, registered carers, and service providers. The nine-week consultation ends on Monday, 4 January.

You can ask for a hard copy of the questionnaire by calling (01482) 393939, or pick one up from your local library. There is more information and the questionnaire at eastriding.gov.uk – click on the link in the 'Have your say' banner at the top of the page.





Christmas bake-off winners

Tasty festive dishes were cooked up by the finalists in this year's Christmas bake-off competition. East Riding residents came up with mouth-watering original recipes using Christmas leftovers to highlight how easy it is to save money by creating great meals from food some people might throw in the bin.

The six finalists made everything from a seasonal pizza to fruit cakes and flapjacks, and cooked their recipes at the Yorkshire Wolds Cookery School at Southburn, near Driffield. The dishes were tasted and judged by Michelin-starred chef James Mackenzie of the Pipe and Glass Inn at South Dalton, who was impressed by the standard. You can download the finalists' recipes by typing "Christmas bake off" into the Search box at eastriding.gov.uk

The two winners, who received £100 vouchers for the Pipe and Glass Inn, were:

- age group 11-16: Jonathan Sreeves, who created a Boxing Day Veggie Tatin using leftover cooked root vegetables including potatoes, carrots and parsnips and spices on a crispy puff pastry base
- age group 17 and over: Robert Bell with his recipe of Crispy Christmas balls, which used cold mashed potato, cold cheese sauce, and crumbs from stale bread mixed with smoked haddock.

Christmas fire safety

Humberside Fire and Rescue Service is urging residents to put fire safety at the top of their Christmas lists this year. While fire safety is important throughout the year, the extra distractions of the Christmas season make it especially important to be vigilant so that families and loved ones are protected from fire.

Seasonal tips include:

- don't overload sockets, and ensure only one plug per socket
- switch off fairy lights and unplug them before going to bed, or going out
- check your Christmas tree lights are in good working order before use, and conform to the British Standard (BS EN 60598)
- use residual current devices (RCDs) on outdoor electrical equipment
- turn off plugs when they are not in use, except those designed to be left on like freezers
- do something good this Christmas by testing the smoke alarms of someone you know who may need help such as an older relative or neighbour.

You can watch the short Fire Kills Christmas Tree video at:

<http://youtu.be/hMtjGfr0tYs>

Connecting communities grant

This grant is a partnership between the council and East Riding Clinical Commissioning Group. It is open to local organisations, and voluntary and community groups who want to develop community based activities for older people aged over-50.

The panel will consider funding projects and activities for older people which encourage participation, improved physical and mental wellbeing, reduced isolation and loneliness.

To discuss a potential project contact Jane Collinson at jane.collinson@eastriding.gov.uk or call (01482) 392233.

Healthwatch needs you

Healthwatch East Riding of Yorkshire is the independent consumer champion for local health and social care, working to help local people get the best out of their health and care services.

It wants to recruit people for exciting volunteering opportunities such as publicity, surveys, youth mentoring and visiting services to speak to patients and service users.

To find out more, call (01482) 665684, or email enquiries@healthwatcheastridingofyorkshire.co.uk



Prowdes charity

Prowdes Educational Foundation's fund is open to boys and young men up to the age of 25 living in East Yorkshire (and also North Yorkshire and Somerset).

One-off grants are given for educational purposes in the widest sense. This includes: fees, books, uniforms, other school clothing, equipment, instruments, postgraduates, study or travel abroad. The average grant is £450.

If you know of any young men you think need some support, contact Cllr Pat Smith, a local trustee, at councillor.smith@eastriding.gov.uk

West Wolds Radio

This local radio station is due to start broadcasting on 103.1 FM and online from Sunday, 29 November.

It is keen to book guests for the daily output and is inviting local groups to make contact and book in to enjoy some free publicity on Britain's newest radio station. Contact Tony Barker at news@westwoldsradio.co.uk or call (01759) 291031.

Stay well this winter

Stay well this winter by having your flu jab, knowing where to get medical treatment and keeping warm. You can find out more at staywellthiswinter.co.uk



Christmas markets

East Riding's markets will be full of festive spirit this Christmas. Traders in Beverley, Bridlington, Driffield, Pocklington and Cottingham will be celebrating the holidays by holding special events and decking their stalls to get shoppers in the seasonal mood. Beverley and Bridlington's markets are held on Wednesdays and Saturdays, Pocklington's on Tuesdays, and Driffield and Cottingham on Thursdays.

At Bridlington, the Coca Cola Truck will visit the market in King Street on Saturday, 12 December from noon-8pm to deliver some festive cheer. Families and friends will have the chance to take pictures with the truck as it switches on its spectacular lights, experience a snowy winter wonderland setting, and some free drinks.

Beverley's market on Saturday, 12 December will include a best-dressed stall competition to pay special tribute to a former stallholder. Traders are being encouraged to give their stalls a festive make-over and the winner will be presented with a cup named after Allan Gorbitt, one of the market's longest-running stallholders, who died in September.

On Saturday, 19 December a traditional steam organ will be at Beverley market. Then on Thursday, 24 December there will be a special Beverley Christmas Eve market from 9am-2pm. This final market of the year will give shoppers a last-minute chance to buy presents, food and drink.

Here are some other community events in the Christmas season.

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| Monday, 7 December | | Bridlington | Garrison Square: a free-to-use ice rink for those that want to skate. Runs till Sunday, 13 December |
| Thursday, 10 December | 2.30 & 7.30pm | East Riding Theatre, Beverley | Oliver Twist: a dark and truthful portrait of Dickens' novel, packed full of music, singing and dancing. Runs till Saturday, 2 January |
| Friday, 11 December | 10am-5pm | Beverley | Beverley Minster: Christmas tree festival, Runs till Sunday, 13 December |
| Sunday 13 December | All day | Beverley | Town centre: Beverley Festival of Christmas. See beverleyfestivalofchristmas.co.uk |
| Monday, 14 December | 6pm | Barmston | Pond in Sands Lane: Christmas tree lights switch-on with carol singing, visit by Father Christmas, and mince pies |
| | 7pm | Bridlington | The Spa Bridlington: Lions Christmas Concert |
| Thursday, 17 December | 7.30pm | Wansford | Village Hall: Christmas concert |
| Saturday, 19 December | 7.30pm | Beverley | St. Mary's Church: Carols by Candlelight |
| Monday, 21 December | 6.30pm | Swanland | At the pond: Father Christmas boats around the pond. Also a roundabout, stands, carols and refreshments |

