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TADCASTER TOWN COUNCIL WINTER 2019 NEWSLETTER



£10m Flood alleviation scheme funding secured for Town!



Photograph courtesy of David Rowe.

Since the devastating flooding of 2015 and its ongoing impacts on the people and economy of Tadcaster, the Environment Agency has been working to develop a new flood alleviation scheme. This has been supported by many stakeholders including North Yorkshire County Council, Tadcaster Town Council, York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership, Selby District Council, the local MPs office, Tadcaster Flood Action Group and the community.

An initial investment made by the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee to fund a Feasibility study (completed in 2017) established that under government rules a scheme for Tadcaster is cost beneficial and would attract some Flood Defence Grant in Aid but this wouldn't cover the full cost of the scheme.

Working with the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership the Environment Agency was able to secure £1 million of Local Growth Funding. This will fund the completion of the full business case which includes site investigations, options appraisal and detailed designs.

And now we have had the fantastic news that the Government has announced an additional £62 million to better protect communities from flooding and that Tadcaster was one of 13 projects to receive this funding and has been awarded a further £9 million.

This was the result of hard work by many different organisations, groups and the local MP. We are now in a position to confidently move the scheme forward

Stay alert, says the Environment Agency

We have been working with the Town Council and Tadcaster Flood Action Group to raise the community's awareness of flood risk, explain what it means for Tadcaster and the steps that can be taken to be more prepared and resilient.

It is critical that all households and businesses that are at risk of flooding are signed up to our free Floodline Warning Service. By registering for free, you will receive an advanced warning of potential flooding in your area so you can take steps to protect yourself and your property. You can receive the warning as a phone call to your house, place of work or mobile, or as a text message or e-mail.

To sign up and receive an advanced warning of flooding register by calling Floodline 0345 988 1188, or visiting <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

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with an estimated completion date of Summer/Autumn 2023.

There is much work to be done between now and the building of a successful flood scheme for the town. Success will not only be a scheme that better protects the town and its residents and businesses but one that is accepted by the community and we hope you will help shape its delivery.

Our first community engagement event was held on the 7th November at the Barn in Tadcaster, the first of many events inviting local residents and businesses to help shape the future of the community's scheme. At future events we will share with you the options identified to reduce flood risk, get your feedback/input into these and to keep you informed with updates and news of future events then please email your details to TadcasterFAS@environment-agency.gov.uk.

A Grand Day Out for Tad Lad

During the build up for recent UCI cycling championships, TEMPT was lucky enough to be gifted tickets for the Harrogate FanZone – and local resident James Tucker won the competition for those tickets. Sounds like he had a grand day out...

Hi Kirsty,

I would just like to send you a huge thank you for the VIP tickets that you gave me for the Men's Road Race on Sunday. I wanted to make the most of the World Championships but I was not expecting to be able to watch the whole men's race in the company of people like David Millar and with some amazing food as well! The whole atmosphere was very exciting especially since the route was changed meaning that the riders came past us 9 times instead of 7.

We definitely had the best position right next to the finish line and had the choice to go inside inbetween laps to stay dry and to watch the race carry on around the circuit. I took my friend Ollie who is a keen cyclist who was also blown away by how amazing the whole day was and spotted a place right by the barriers for the finishing sprint!

Once again many thanks for such an amazing opportunity and day - it is something I will remember for a long time and will be able to tell people in 20 years when the world championships next comes to the UK!

James



James meeting the legends in Harrogate. Sir Bradley Wiggins, David Millar and Ned Boulting

Get Cycling! You know it makes sense

Kim Meadows of Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles (IHL) writes:

On 11/09/2019 I attended an inclusive pop up event at The Barn in Tadcaster in partnership with Get Cycling (who provided the disability and family cycles). This was to inform the community about the big UCI para cycling event that was coming through their town later in the month and let young people and the local community try out

bikes that they might never usually ride. 65 participants took part, which was a resounding success. It was brilliant to see so many young people whom normally wouldn't engage with each other, work together to ride the different bikes and the older ones supporting and encouraging the younger children.

IHL is working now with TEMPT to develop new opportunities to encourage cycling for the

community. Come down to the Barn and see Dani Penney to find out more!



Tadcaster & Rural launch Uniform Recycling Project

When the Grammar School recently launched its new school Uniform – and very smart it is too – a conversation over the counter between Pam Chalk, who runs the school's uniform shop and David Gluck, TGS Governor and parent of two students at the school, led to the idea of a project to recycle old uniforms which would otherwise have been discarded.

Subsequently, local craft organization, Tadcrafters were asked to join the team – as were the School's own EcoSchool project. And so, from December, a new facility will be launched and run out of The Barn on Leeds Road for parents to donate old Grammar School uniforms. These will be renovated as necessary, stored and made available free of charge to parents of students at the School. Contact David to find out more! david@yorplan.co.uk

Car-parking in town – action to be undertaken

Recently the town has been experiencing something of a crisis with regard to parking in its two main carparks on Chapel Street and the bus station. Many will have noticed that these have both filled up quickly in the morning to the detriment of visitors to the town and in particular, local businesses have suffered as a result of shoppers simply not being able to find a space.

Tadcaster Today has learned that the Town Council has now decided to address the problem and is seeking meetings with key parties, including Selby District Council, to resolve the situation. It is hoped that a solution to the problem, that has seemingly been created by changes at Heineken's main carpark on the London Road, will be forthcoming before Christmas, so that visitors are able to drive into town, park and support local businesses at this important time of the year.

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WINTER NEWSLETTER

The festive season is here again! Tadcaster gets ready...

Tadcaster Christmas Market

Sunday 1 December
Free entry 9:30am - 3:30pm

Outdoor Market – Kirkgate and Westgate 9:30am - 3:30pm

Once again we host a variety of business, charities and local groups at our Christmas Market. Come along pick up some great unique and original Christmas gifts, support local produce and food stalls. A selection of local shops and food outlets will also be open on the day. Including warm food, hot drinks, warm fresh mulled wine and other Christmas beverages.

Riley Smith Hall 10am – 3pm
York RI Golden Rail Band live, Craft and gift stalls, Café and bar.

Outdoor Live music with

- ✓ Minster FM
- ✓ James Brown Music
- ✓ The Barn Trio

St Mary's Church
Joint School Choir at 32:45pm followed by the Christingle service at 3:30pm.

Salvation Army
Open 9am-3pm serving free tea and coffee with a selection of food chargeable at £2- Bacon, sausage or egg butties, homemade soup and a roll and a selection of cakes. Running carol service all day.

Tadcaster Methodist Church Saturday 10am-2pm and Sunday 10am-3:30pm.
Saturday 30th Nov/Sunday 1st Dec – Christmas Trees, Café and Candles. A café serving refreshments on both days, Dress Up Nativity with photo opportunity, stalls, & 10 trees (5 trees will be decorated by youth organisations and 5 by local business sponsors).

Boy's Sunday School 10am-3pm
Indoor stalls and takeaway refreshments served all day.

The Barn 10am-2pm
Indoor stalls, café & bakery

Santa's Grotto
On Westgate

Brighter lights beckon for Tadcaster town

This year we look forward to another step forward in the gradual improvement of our Christmas illuminations. So far, the town has enjoyed new lights up and down High Street and Commercial Street, and the twinkling lampposts on our lovely bridge. This year those will still be here, but the festive look

goes further with illuminations round the lamp posts on Chapel Street, Westgate and Kirkgate, and new, better lights on the small Christmas trees above many of the town's business premises. These have been made possible with the generous support of Tadcaster traders,

and we hope everyone will all repay their efforts by shopping locally to keep Tadcaster thriving. All donors are acknowledged with thanks on the Council website. Every donation, large and small is being match-funded by the Council and every penny goes into the fund to extend the cheer – wider and brighter!

THE BEST KEPT ALLOTMENT AT STUTTON ROAD ALLOTMENTS

Every year the Town Council holds a Best Kept Allotment Competition for all Stutton Road Allotment tenants.

This year was particularly difficult for the judge Shirley Fawcett to make a decision as the majority of the plots were excellent.

This year's winner and the recipient of the Clarke Memorial Trophy is Jane Brown and the Highly Commended Certificate was awarded to Claire Smith, these were presented at the Council meeting on 5th November 2019. Congratulations to both!



Jane Brown



Claire Smith



All photographs courtesy of Councillor David Bowgett



TADCASTER TOWN COUNCIL MERIT AWARDS 2019

Merit Award Certificates of Appreciation were presented at Council on 5th November 2019:

Mr Nick Brown in recognition of selflessly applying himself to the betterment of the community and the wellbeing of youth football in the town.

Reverend Sue Sherriff in recognition of selflessly applying herself to the betterment of the community

and the wellbeing of other people.

Any member of the public or Tadcaster Town Councillor can nominate a person or organisation for a Merit Award. They are awarded to people / organisations who, in the eyes of the Council have:-

First, selflessly applied themselves to the betterment of the community and the wellbeing

of other people; or Secondly, promoted the good name of Tadcaster through their endeavours throughout the local area, county or country; or Thirdly, without regard to their own personal wellbeing, performed a deed of outstanding valour and brought credit to both themselves and Tadcaster.

If you know of any person or organisation in the town who you think may be worthy of an award please contact the Council Office.

Tadcaster's annual Civic Service 2019

Tadcaster Town Councils Civic Service is an annual event where the Mayor of the current year, which this year is Councillor Steve Cobb, invites members from local Community Groups, Civics and dignitaries from across the District and County to attend a Church Service at a local Church of their choice. This year's Civic Service was held on Sunday 20 October 2019 at St Joseph's Catholic Church.

A collection was taken at the service for the Mayor's Charities which this year are the Weekly Dementia Friendly Social Afternoon at The Kelbar Social Centre Tadcaster and the Tadcaster Volunteer Car Service. The amount raised was £391.





Blooming Marvellous – A Huge Thank You to Tadcaster in Bloom Watering Volunteers

It is thanks to groups of watering volunteers from around Tadcaster, who have spent their spare time throughout the summer watering all the flower beds and planters that the town has looked so vibrant and colourful.

Volunteers were thanked by Tadcaster Town Council by the way of a pizza supper get together of volunteers at 21 High Street.

Of course there's always room for more green fingered volunteers – whether for In Bloom or other community projects...Tadcaster and Rural Community Interest Company are looking for people to help out at The Barn (Manor Farm as was on Leeds Road) where the front garden could use some tlc and ideas for how to make it more attractive...Incredible Edible Tadcaster anyone? Get in touch with David for a chat about how you can get involved (07905 766831).



TADCASTER TREAT ANNUAL LUNCH PARTY 2020

Are you aged 70 or over, live in Tadcaster or Stutton, and enjoy a good meal with entertainment? If so, why not come along on Saturday 4 April 2020 and join us for this annual get together in the Riley-Smith Hall in Tadcaster.

To receive your invitation to this free event, please complete the details required below, (even if you have attended before) and return this form to Mrs Christine Bleasby, 10 Edgerton Drive, Tadcaster, LS24 9QW by 1 March 2020 or email your details to Christine.bleasby@btinternet.com

Mr/Mrs/Miss

First Name.....

Surname

Address

..... Post Code.....

Date of Birth.....

Telephone no.....



TADCASTER & VILLAGES U3A

U3A up and running for Tadcaster

The Mayor of Tadcaster Town Council, Steve Cobb, attended the first open Members' Meeting of Tadcaster & Villages U3A on Monday 21 October. The meeting was a great success and 17 new members signed up on the day, giving a total of 57 members having joined since the Inaugural Meeting in September.

The Mayor, Steve Cobb, (also a member of Tadcaster & Villages U3A) presented John Fielding, (U3A Treasurer) with a cheque for £250.00. Steve said that he was delighted to have been able to present the cheque on behalf of the Tadcaster Town Council. John thanked Steve and accepted the cheque on behalf of the U3A.

During his speech, The Mayor highlighted that isolation of people was as issue and he believed that the U3A would help towards resolving this, by bringing people together. Steve closed his speech by wishing everyone Good Luck in Tadcaster & Villages U3A.

There are currently 19 activities that members' have identified that they want to learn or take part in, and the "Days Out" activity has already begun. The U3A is dependent on people as it is run by the members themselves. "Learn, laugh and live" is our motto. If you want to find out more, why not come along to our next member's meeting on Monday, 18 November from 1pm to 3pm at The Barn. Everyone is welcomed.

Please note that we have vacancies on the U3A Steering Committee and if you are interested in joining us please contact the Tadcaster & Villages U3A Business Secretary via email: secretary1tadu3a@gmail.com.

Your Councillors – here to help.

TADCASTER WEST WARD:

Don Bain Mackay	01937 835776
Ian Edmondson	01937 830304
Dr Greg Lodge	07877 094821
Chris Metcalfe	01937 832501
Dr Claire Stephenson	07532 673875
Richard Sweeting	07842 164034
Mark Mundy	

mmundy@tadcastertowncouncil.gov.uk

TADCASTER EAST WARD:

David Bowgett	07908 112444
Jean Chiswick	07813 077892
Steve Cobb	01937 835381
Fiona Greig	07711 691413
Margaret Middlemiss	01937 834872

SELBY DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:

Don Bain Mackay	01937 835776
Richard Sweeting	07842 164034
Andrew Lee	alee@selby.gov.uk

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

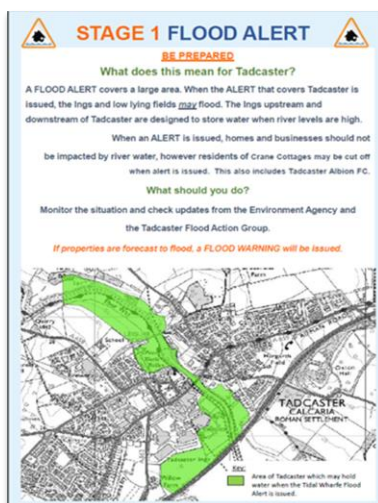
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Your C.E.F can help!

Covering the town and surrounding villages, the Tadcaster and Villages Community Engagement Forum (CEF) meets as a Partnership Board 6 times a year to consider applications for grant aid from community groups primarily. It can make grants of upto £1000 and exceptionally larger sums are made available to "projects".

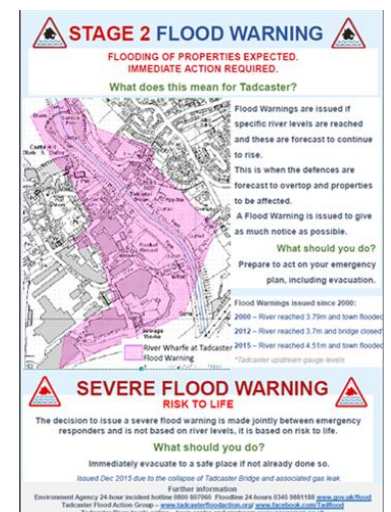
Contact Chris Hailey Norris for more information - chrishaileynorris@yahoo.co.uk

Spot the difference....it's EAsy when you know how!



Tadcaster resident and Environment Agency Flood and Coastal Risk Management Adviser, Robin Derry, has asked us to help advise residents and businesses on the difference between a Flood Alert and a Flood Warning: "When there's a flood alert, this means we expect the fields and ings around the town to start to fill up – which is exactly what they are meant to do in order to store water", says Robin, "but when we issue a Flood Warning that means there is a risk to flooding of property due to over-topping of the defences". Two really helpful guides have been produced in association with the Town Council and Flood Action Group and these can be downloaded at:

<https://www.tadcasterfloodaction.org/what-we-do>



BIG ENERGY SAVING WEEK...

Big Energy Saving Week 2020! Time to switch, time to save.

We are always told to shop around for our energy but how do you do it if you don't have a computer, how do you know that a company is reliable, and how can you ensure that your bills will be cheaper? We can help with all these issues!

As part of Big Energy Saving Week 2020 the Energy Doctor is running a free energy saving drop-in session in Tadcaster:

When? Tuesday 21st January,

10am to 1.30pm

Where? The Barn (formerly Manor Farm), Leeds Road, Tadcaster (opposite John Smith's!)

Bring along your energy bills, get advice on saving energy and pick up a free goodie bag!

For further information contact Kate on: 01757 249100 or

kate@yorkshireenergydoctor.org.uk

WEA Courses for the Spring – now enrolling. Sign up Now!

Have you thought about making a New Year's resolution yet? Attending an adult learning course might be a great idea for you.

For tens of thousands of people across the UK, community and adult learning provides a life raft to a better future. The impact is not only on employability but their health and wellbeing, family life and community engagement. WEA are the UK's largest voluntary sector provider of adult education.

You can book your place now for WEA courses starting in the spring term. In Tadcaster this includes:

- **Your Personal Best, with Chris Hailey Norris**
This course will help you to focus on what being your personal best means, explore what impact this will make to you, and look at the barriers that affect you.
- **Angles, Saxons and Vikings, with Katie Croft**
An overview of the rich and varied history, life and culture in Northumbria between the Romans' departure and the Norman Conquest.
- **Everyday Greek, with Eleni Vezyri-Allison**
This course is designed to help you develop further your basic speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in Greek. You will also gain an insight into the Greek lifestyle.
- **Great Families of Yorkshire, with Tony Powell**
Many Yorkshire country houses are still owned by the families who built them. This course studies their history to reveal why they have survived and look at what the future holds.
- **Managing Change, with Chris Hailey Norris**
Change is taking place in our lives all of the time and can be difficult to manage. This course will explore different ways to cope with change as well as how to implement change.

Course fees are subsidised by government funding, and many people on benefits are eligible for free courses. You can enrol or find out about the full range of WEA courses on offer by visiting www.wea.org.uk or calling 0300 303 3464.

Shaping our Future – time to have your voice heard.

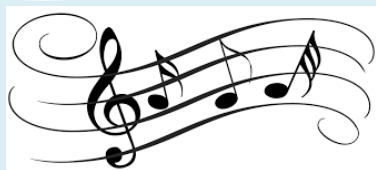
The Tadcaster and Villages Community Engagement Forum has always had a 3-year rolling plan for investing in its area – it's called the Community Development Plan. The last version of this has now run its course and a new one is needed!

Timing for the development couldn't be better with consultation starting on the Environment Agency's plans for riverside flood defences, the Town Council beginning to consult on its Neighbourhood Development Plan (See issue 20) and to top it all, Selby District Council have started a comprehensive re-write of their Local Plan!

So, it's Plans all round and lots of opportunity to have your say – starting with the Forum on 18th November, 6.30pm at the Riley Smith Hall – see you there!

You can also share your views on line by completing the survey at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ShapingOurFutureTAV>

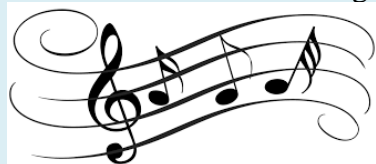




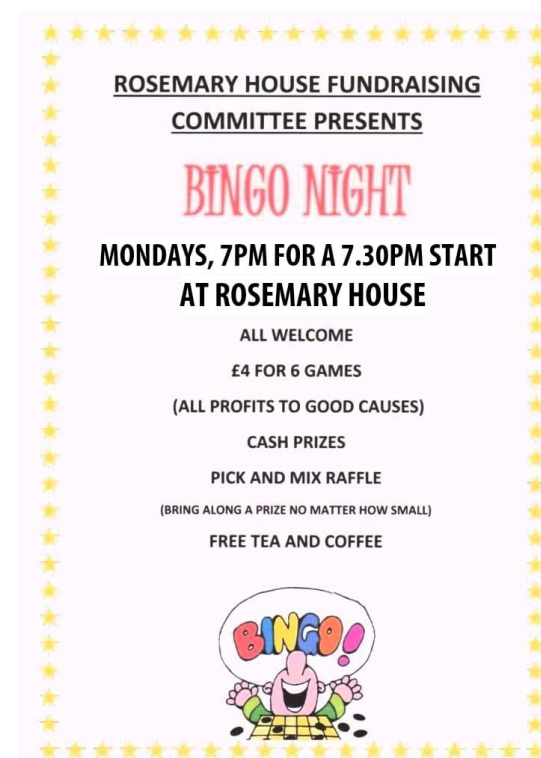
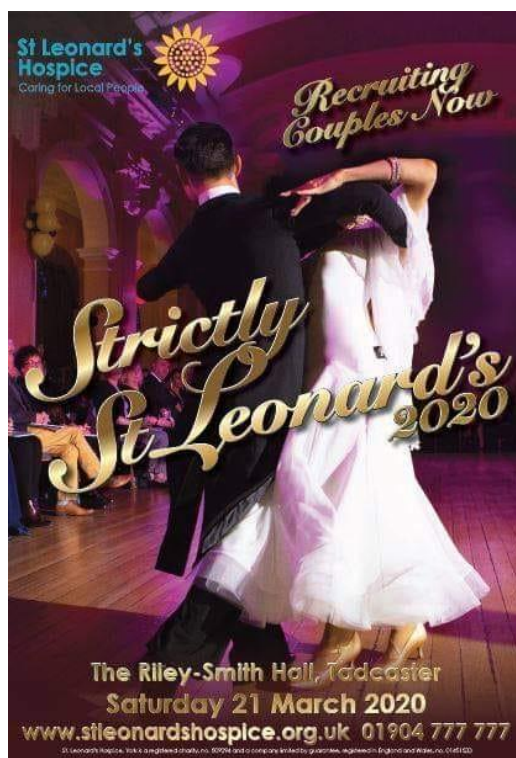
Interested in learning a musical instrument?
After more personal tuition? Looking at
completing music theory?

Elise Fairbairn is a professional flautist based in North Yorkshire, who is currently accepting new flute students and music theory students of all ages and abilities. Having played the flute for 15 years, Elise is experienced in listening to the individual and achieving their musical goals and aims.

With competitive rates, and first lesson FREE, please contact Elise Fairbairn for further information on elisefairbairnflute@gmail.com



Fun stuff and Parish Notices...there's loads on!



Tadcaster Fire Station

We spend much of our time visiting people in their homes, discussing fire safety and offering advice to eliminate or reduce the risk of a fire happening. We also discuss a practical fire escape plan to make sure that if the worst does happen, you can escape safely.

During a Safe and Well visit, we will:

- Accompany you to assess fire safety in every room in your property.
- Identify and make you aware of the potential fire risks in your home.
- Make sure you know what to do in order to reduce or prevent these risks.
- Discuss with you, a bed-time routine that will help keep you safe at night.
- Help you put together an escape plan in case a fire breaks out in the future.
- Ensure you have a working smoke alarm, and ensure you know how to test and maintain it.

Give basic advice on topics such as:

- Falls prevention
- Cold homes
- Smoking cessation
- Social isolation

For more information or to book a visit, telephone us on:

01937 832223



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