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TADCASTER TOWN COUNCIL SUMMER 2020 NEWSLETTER



Revitalise. Renew. Reinvent

Survey seeks your views on Town centre

A new survey is seeking local people's views on Tadcaster town centre. The survey findings will be used to decide future priorities that help local people get more out of their town centre. The survey is being carried out by the People & Places Partnership and has been commissioned by Selby District Council in conjunction with Tadcaster Town Council and the Tadcaster Business Forum. The findings will be discussed widely with local community groups and businesses as part of deciding future priorities.

Chris Wade, who is organising the survey on behalf of People & Places, says "*the survey asks local people about their reactions to the Coronavirus pandemic, how they currently use the town centre and their hopes for Tadcaster in future. We want as many people as possible of all ages to take about 10 minutes to tell us about their town*".

The overall findings from the survey will be shared here as well as at specially organised meetings involving the Town Council, Business Forum, local groups and businesses. The idea is to develop a 'forward framework' that considers the 'how' and the 'what' of looking after the town centre in future. It uses an approach for revitalising town centres that was developed nationally by the People & Places Partnership for the Local Government Association.

Local people have until Sunday, October 18th to fill in the survey which they can access using the web link below or by scanning the QR code with their smart phone. A similar survey has been sent to all businesses in the town centre.

Share your views on Tadcaster town centre:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Tadcasterusers>



Time to focus on planning the future of our town

Few businesses or community organisations will have remained immune to the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic in the town. So now is the time to start the process of planning the re-build:

We already all know how many derelict buildings and plots of land there are in Tad. We know how quiet the town centre is. But we also know how many amazing groups there are – from our Community Swimming Pool, through to libraries, schools, community centres, charities... We are now fortunate to be the focus of a number of agencies and organisations turning their thoughts to our future and how we can bounce back from this current crisis better than ever...


The Tadcaster Neighbourhood

Development Plan is an initiative led by the Town Council to determine new planning policies which will carry legal and statutory weight. From economic development, to conservation and heritage and, of course, new homes, this Plan will be an essential building block for the future of the town – working alongside Selby District Council as they prepare their own Local Plan. Interested in being a part of the Steering Group for this project? Contact Jo Mottershead, assistant clerk at the Town Council to find out more.

Selby District Council are also leading the way on a new **Cultural Framework** for the district, building on the great success of the celebration last year of Selby 950, and will steer SDC's cultural development priorities and investment over the next 5 years – crucially, it will push those priorities and investment beyond Selby town.

Finally, perhaps most importantly for the long term, and featured inside, is the work of the **Environment Agency**, working to improve our resilience against future flood events. Get involved and have your say – Pages 7 & 8.

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



OFFERING FRIENDLY

CHILDCARE OPTIONS

★ Helping your little stars to shine ★

PRE-SCHOOL

- ✓ Flexible term time childcare from the age of 2 years
- ✓ Government funding & childcare vouchers accepted
- ✓ Half day and full day options (9am - 3pm)
- ✓ Sessions planned around children's interests, with emphasis on learning through play

FUNDRAISING CALENDAR

As a charity we are always looking for ways to raise money to remain an affordable option for families.

- Annual Gin Tasting Evening with York Gin
- Annual Family Easter Event, including a woodland Egg Hunt and much more
- Nearly New Sales, Pot Painting, Sponsored Activities, Luxury Prize Raffles

If you'd like to get involved or come along to an event with your family, check out our Facebook page: @Appleton Roebeck Preschool Charity

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www.appletonroebeckpreschool.co.uk
Registered charity number: 1166924

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Fri- YAY! Club
@
The Barn

youth club for kids age 7-11
GOOD TIMES

2ND OCTOBER - WE ARE BACK!

Fri-yay club will be back for the whole of October with new covid secure guidelines in place. As the current situation changes we will be reviewing the club on a monthly basis to make sure we are keeping everyone as safe as we can.

The major change is that we are only able to take 30 children split into two bubbles of 15. Because of the reduction in numbers you must pre-book your space before the club. It will be still pay on arrival (£2) but we need to be able to cap numbers and not have to turn people away at the door.

On arrival the children will need to be dropped off at the outside area and signed in, no adults will be able to enter the building, there will be an entry and exit system in place and the car park will be out of bounds for all cars. You can park down the side of St Josephs street

There will be lots of handwashing and reduction in the items that children can play with but the outside area will be accessible to all. The tuck shop will be back and we will still provide snacks for the children but they will all be served individually. We strongly encourage children to bring drinks bottles that we can then fill to avoid having to use too many disposable cups.

We are really looking forward to welcoming you all back if you have any questions please dont hesitate to get in touch, Kirsty or David, Tadcaster Barn 01937 830524

The Barn
Leeds Road
Tadcaster

www.tadcasterevents.co

WEA Local courses starting in September 2020

You can enrol on all WEA online courses available nationally. We hope to bring local courses back to the classroom soon. If you enrol on the online courses below you may already know the tutor, or you will get the chance to get to know them before you meet in the classroom.

Course title	Tutor	Course ref. number
Feeling Good About Yourself Part 1 (Solby)	Chris Hailey Norris	C3678461
New directions (Solby)	Chris Hailey Norris	C3678421
ATI Managing Problems (Solby)	Chris Hailey Norris	C3678462*
Mindfulness and Meditation (Sherburn-ave)	Judith Robinson	C3678466
Mindfulness and Meditation (Tadcaster-arn)	Judith Robinson	C3678468
Mindfulness and Meditation (Haxby-ave)	Judith Robinson	C3678469
Meditation for Well-being (York)	Rakesh Aggarwal	C3678505
Everyday Greek (Tadcaster)	Eleni Voznyi-Alison	C3678457
Modern Greek for Beginners (Tadcaster)	Eleni Voznyi-Alison	C3678417
Drawing and Painting (York)	Clare Wake	C3678400
Drawing and Painting (Skellon)	Clare Wake	C3678401
Drawing and Painting (Haxby)	Clare Wake	C3678402

*for clients of Action Towards Inclusion Partners only.

"I'm really enjoying Zoom lessons. It gives me a chance to do courses not available in my area. Also it's helpful as I find it difficult to get out even locally" - Samantha, WEA Student

Enrol online at wea.org.uk or call 0300 303 3464



Looking for a new skill to learn? Need some extra help in Music Theory? Did you start a new hobby during the lockdown, and now looking for some professional lessons?

Elise Fairbairn is a professional flute player based in North Yorkshire, currently accepting students to begin, or continue, their flute journey

Elise has won awards for performance at institutions and at national competitions, and believes in the importance of individual tailored lessons to allow each student to progress to their full potential

If are interested in learning, playing, and exploring more about the beautiful instrument of the flute, regardless of age or ability, get in touch via email to arrange your completely free first lesson!

elisefairbairnflute@gmail.com

Online lessons are available

Want to advertise here? Contact David to find out more – davidgluck@tadcasterandrural.co.uk / 07905 766831

New Novel Set in Tudor York Raising Funds for St Leonard's Hospice

Tadcaster author **Tony Morgan's** latest book, **The Pearl of York, Treason and Plot**, is a gripping historical novel, set in the atmospheric streets and buildings of Tudor York.

When Margaret Clitherow is arrested for illegally harbouring Catholic priests in The Shambles, a group of her friends, led by a youthful Guy Fawkes, face a race against time to save her from the gallows. As events unfold, their lives, and our history, change forever. Although most of the action takes place within York's city walls, Guy also journeys through the countryside, visiting Rufforth, Tockwith, Knaresborough and Scotton.

Tony became fascinated by the story behind York's most famous (and infamous) Tudor residents.

"Margaret, known as the Pearl of York, and Guy, famous for his role in the Gunpowder Plot, were raised by prosperous Protestant families. Both became Catholic enemies of the state. When I was writing the book, I asked myself what events could have persuaded a happily married woman to consider martyrdom or transform a young Yorkshireman into a terrorist."

All profits from the sale of Tony's novels and history talks will be donated to **St Leonard's Hospice** in York, an independent charity, which provides specialist palliative care and support for local people with life limiting illnesses. **Jill Roberts**, Corporate and Community Fundraiser at St Leonard's, said *"We're delighted to know once again Tony is supporting the hospice in 2020 with the profits from his novels and history talks. Every book sold raises valuable funds for the hospice and our patients."*

For more details, visit Tony's website -

<https://tonymorganauthor.wordpress.com/>

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SUMMER NEWSLETTER

A GREAT BIG Thank you to Tadcaster's Local PC Liz Hartley!



Tadcaster Town Council would like to thank and congratulate PC27 Liz Hartley on her retirement from North Yorkshire Police after 29 years in service.

Liz has worked closely with the Town Council over the years by attending Council meetings, informing the Council on local matters and working directly with local youth and community groups in the town.

She covered Tadcaster and Sherburn for almost her entire service as a Traffic Officer and then as a Neighbourhood PC.

"For all those who know Liz know what a credit she is to Tadcaster and surrounding villages, she was a passionate and dedicated officer and she will be greatly missed by the team and the community that she served".

Once again all at Tadcaster Town Council, speaking on behalf of all who know you and were served by you, we thank you immensely for your support and keeping Tadcaster safe.

We wish you all the best and happiness for your retirement!!

U3A gets going in Tadcaster

In September 2019 a branch of the U3A opened in Tadcaster with a welcome from Steve Cobb the Town Mayor. Founded over 35 years ago, the UK U3A movement aims to encourage groups of people in their third age to come together and continue their enjoyment of learning or fun activities in subjects of interest to them. The 'third age' is defined by a time in your life (not necessarily chronological) where you have the opportunity to undertake learning for its own sake. There is no minimum age, and members are those who are no longer in full-time employment or who have finished raising a family. Their motto is "Learn, Laugh and Live".

There are now 73 members in Tadcaster with active interest groups involved in things such as astronomy, circle dancing, days out, family history, nature/wildlife, photography, and walking. Other interest groups are planned.

The central U3A body has been very helpful in disseminating advice and ideas for keeping members interested and these are continuously communicated to the current members. And although meetings have ceased due to coronavirus, it is anticipated that everything will soon get back to normal.

Further details about U3A and what they do are on their web site, u3asites.org.uk/tadcaster/welcome



TADCASTER & VILLAGES U3A

TADCASTER IN BLOOM

With the bright days of summer at an end, the council invested £1000 in bulbs so that spring through to summer welcomed us with the arrival of a colourful array of continually flowering bulbs. The bulbs were planted across the gateways to Tadcaster to brighten our town with a multitude of colour. We have enjoyed their rich and vivid colours with delightful fragrances generously offered by some of them. The hanging baskets have been better than ever and certainly brightened up the bus station. The heady scents have been a joy to breath in! A huge thank you to all those involved!



Moving Forward Post Covid 19 in the Town

It is a time we wondered would ever happen, but we are delighted to see the gradual reopening of local businesses within Tadcaster. Many shops, food outlets and pubs on the high street have resumed trading, in line with national guidance. The number of people who can enter high street shops at one time is limited and most have hand sanitiser for customers, PPE screens and social distancing markers within the shops. Businesses were supported with reopening by community groups, local authorities and other volunteers who ensured social

distancing signs and other safety notices issued were on display for the public. The support from locals has been phenomenal and shopkeepers are in good spirits and delighted to be back. Moving forward with risk assessments and robust cleaning programmes in place and strict social distancing policies, you can rest assure that Tadcaster is doing all it can to adhere to this new way of life. Social Distancing stencils have been sprayed on pavements around the town to help maintain social distancing where possible. The stencils

have been funded by the European Regional Development Fund and distributed by Selby District Council. The stencils and signage form a small part of the Town, District, and County authority efforts in its response to attract people back to the High Street and shop and support Local and there will be more Tadcaster initiatives to come as we move forward.

Once again, a huge thank you to all local businesses, volunteers and Tadcaster residents for supporting our town at this unprecedented time.

A Tadcaster Town Council “Thank You” During Covid19



The Town Council would like to take this opportunity to send a huge thank you to all Community Groups and Volunteers in the town who have worked selflessly throughout the pandemic to deliver shopping, prescriptions etc. to any residents who have required extra help or who have been self - isolating. Without this help a number of local vulnerable people would have struggled to receive the basic necessities.

The Town Council has remained operational throughout the Covid 19 Crisis and although the office has been home based Town Council services have been ongoing and contact with residents has continued. Contact to the Town Council can be made by telephoning 01937 834113 during office hours 9.30am – 12.30pm Monday to Thursday or by email at clerk@tadcastertowncouncil.gov.uk



TADCASTER *Cancelled & Postponed Events*

We regret to inform you that Tadcaster Town Council has mutually agreed to cancel all events planned for this year due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. The events included; VE Day 75th anniversary celebrations and our fabulous Christmas festival and market.

Remembrance Day will be recognised - however in line with government guidelines we will not be permitted to have a mass gathering.

Although these events have been postponed indefinitely never fear we do hope to return next year with the much-needed celebrations. We sincerely thank all those who showed interest in taking part in the events this year and for your patience.

Please watch this space for a wonderful return of future events here in Tadcaster!

To be directly informed on future planned events in Tadcaster please email clerk@tadcastertowncouncil.gov.uk

Anti Social Behaviour: North Yorkshire Police Newsletter

Tadcaster town over the years has seen sporadic incidents of anti social behaviour. The youths of today that are wandering around the town are not the ones who caused issues some years ago. North Yorkshire Police are committed to combat any form of anti social behaviour before it begins and officers conduct regular patrol within schools giving presentations on a variety of subjects.

Tadcaster bus station remains a focal point for young people to congregate and the 'Chill Pod' is an area which the youths were given as a meeting point. However this

area suffers greatly at times with littering and the mess left behind. The bus station and the chillpod area are well protected by the town's cctv system and can pick up all areas of the the car park. Several incidents have been successfully recorded by the cctv in this area, one being the damage caused by youths kicking footballs at the Medical Centre signage in the summer of this year. Youths were positively identified causing the damage and dealt with accordingly.

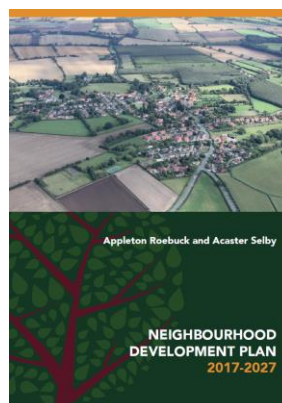
This kind of behaviour is not acceptable in the town and NY Police do rely on parents educating their children and knowing where they are. "Keep safe and behave" is not a lot to ask youths to abide by and we hope by working with the community the young

people of our area will take this on board and cause no problems. The winter period is always quieter but if we work together we can ensure the summer months bring no issues. It is a minority few that can spoil it for most, NYP together with the local community can work together and keep Tadcaster safe.

All reports of any kind of anti social behaviour will be dealt with robustly and we do encourage the community to report incidents - phone 101 to report issues however should there be incidents ongoing that require immediate police attendance please do not hesitate to use 999.

Planning for the future of the Town...Neighbourhood Plan commences!

It is now 2 years since the first community in Selby district wrote its own local planning document – a Neighbourhood Development Plan. That 'first' went to our near neighbours in Appleton Roebuck. Since then several more communities in the district have undertaken to write such a document, which once approved by the electorate becomes a legal part of the Selby district Local Plan, with policies to guide future planning decisions, including location and design of new homes, green space, business and industry, townscape and heritage features etc. Prior



to the Covid crisis, the Town Council decided to undertake this task for our town. A small group of councillors has been working on this for the past 6 months and the Council has now approved the appointment of an external expert consultant – Mr Mike Dando – to help us write this Plan.

Funding for this is provided by central government via an organisation called Locality where information about this type of Plan can be found – www.neighbourhoodplanning.org

Dorchester Road cemetery wall restoration

Have you included a hole in your fence for hedgehogs yet?

Tadcaster Town Council are proud to present the newly refurbished section of wall along Dorchester Road surrounding Tadcaster's cemetery. The wall was in poor condition but after enlisting B K Parnaby's to restore the wall they have yet again gone above and beyond and we now not only have a safe and aesthetically pleasing wall but the wall now sports a safe and neat hedgehog highway.

We believe the cemetery is home to several hedgehogs which are under threat due to loss of habitat and food. It is therefore critical that they can access a wide range of gardens. Providing a sufficient sized hole (13x13 cm) in walls and fences will allow hedgehogs through but be too small for most pets.



The wall before refurbishment...

No need to be in fear for your plants and vegetables as these little 'gardeners friends' will clear your garden of slugs, beetles, caterpillars and other bugs so let's embrace our prickly friends but remember they are still wild animals and should not be kept in captivity.

Be mindful of any rubbish as hedgehogs are prone to getting tangled, please help us keep our cemetery and town rubbish free by using bins provided. You can create highways and byways whenever you like, but it is usually easiest in winter when there are fewer leaves on the trees and shrubs.

Interesting fact: a baby hedgehog is known as a hoglet... awww



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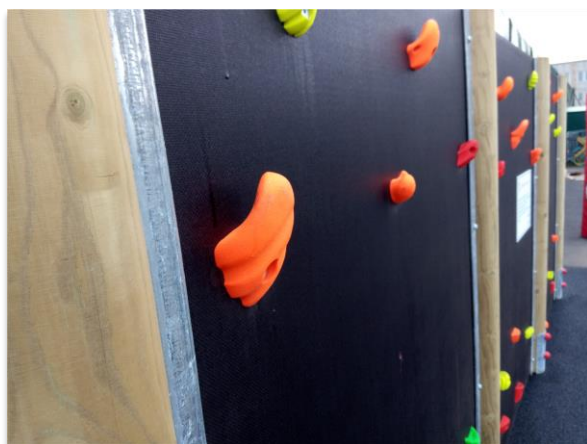
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...and afterwards.



Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) & S106 Funding...any great ideas?



The Town Council receives contributions from Selby District Council in the form of a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and S106 funding which allows local authorities to fund infrastructure by charging on new development in their area. Money raised will go towards the costs of projects within the Town.

CIL and S106 contributions can be spent by the Town Council on the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure (such as

open spaces, leisure facilities, schools etc.) or anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area. Last year we helped fund a new traversing (climbing) wall at The Barn for young people (Photo opposite).

Applications can be received by the Council and will be considered by The Finance and General Purposes Committee. For further information please contact the Ark Office on 01937 834113 or email clerk@tadcastertowncouncil.gov.uk



Creating a better place
for people and wildlife



Update and a new Consultation from The Environment Agency: the future of Flood Defences

Since the launch of the Tadcaster Flood Alleviation Scheme at our first community engagement event at The Barn, the Environment Agency has been busy preparing for this new consultation on the short list of options for future investment in the town. This has included contracting with our delivery partners, ARUP & Partners Ltd, who will be working in partnership with Jacobs Ltd to deliver the options appraisal. We have continued liaison with the community and stakeholders by newsletters and updates via local networks including Tadcaster Today, TFAG, the Town Council and social media. The [@TadcasterFloodScheme](#) Facebook page has also been launched.

Throughout this period the main emphasis has been on producing a feasible short list of options ready to be presented to you, the community. We have been working hard to identify solutions that are environmentally and socially acceptable as well as being technically feasible and affordable. We need to ensure that the solution is right for the town's flood dynamics as well as being suitable for the local environment, whilst at the same time not increasing the risk of flooding in neighbouring communities.

At this stage we are not specifically consulting on things such as how potential new defences may look. We will consult on this in a separate event at a later date, once the preferred option has been identified, to enable your views to feed into the detailed design of the selected option. Note that the "Do Nothing" and "Do Minimum" scenarios are always included when carrying out an appraisal of potential options and are not options being actively considered for Tadcaster. Images of the proposed options 3-4 are shown overleaf

Option 1 - Do Nothing: This replicates a "walk away" situation. This would mean all maintenance of the existing defences would cease and the defences would fall into disrepair over time.

Option 2 - Do Minimum: This replicates a "carry on as we are" situation. This would mean that maintenance of the existing defences would continue as it does currently to maintain the current height and durability.

Option 3 - Raise/strengthen existing defences plus new defences downstream to defend east and west banks. This option/s incorporates improvements to the existing defences, a new section of defence adjacent to Beech Close and then further options on the west bank to help protect properties and access in this area.

Option 3a - fully around Crane Cottages, football ground & rear of brewery;

Option 3b - continuing existing line of brewery wall and then around Crane Cottages;

Option 3c - around Crane Cottage only;

Option 4 - Hybrid solution: This option would include a combination of raised and new defences within the town (detailed above), some off-line upstream storage and increased channel conveyance through the opening of the Tadcaster Bridge arches.

For those who wish to view this information in detail, please visit:
www.virtualengage.arup.com/tadcaster or scan the QR code below.



Name:
If you would like to sign up to receive our project e-newsletter please supply your email address:

Preferred option/s:

Additional comments:

Please cut out and return to Tadcaster Town Council mailbox, The Ark, Kirkgate, LS24 9AQ

We will keep your details until 6 months after the project has closed.
You can unsubscribe from these emails at any time by contacting us at tadcasterfas@environment-agency.gov.uk
For further information on how we deal with your personal data please see our Personal Information Charter on Gov.uk



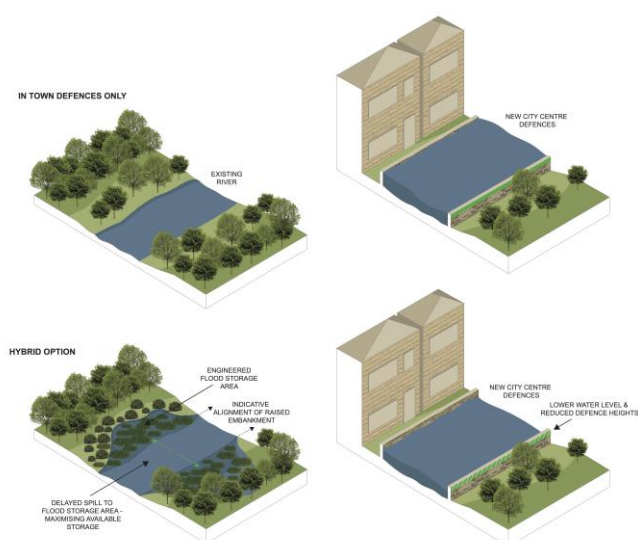
Option 3a – fully around Crane Cottages, Tad Albion & rear of Brewery.



Option 3b - continuing existing line of brewery wall and then around Crane Cottages



Option 3c – around Crane Cottages only.



Option 4 – the hybrid of flood defences + upstream storage.

Your views are very welcome!