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HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL PURCHASES HESSLE COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Hessle Community Organisation has used the Community Centre for many years but its ability to attract grants to repair and develop the facility has been seriously hampered by the fact that it neither owned nor had a formal lease on the premises. The Community Organisation has done a great job with limited resources for many years and provides a number of important activities and services to local residents. The Organisation has always received significant support from the Council and approached us to see if we could help to put their use of the building on a more sustainable basis.

As a result, and following lengthy negotiations between Cllr. Bob Carroll and the Diocese of York, Hessle Town Council has now successfully completed the purchase of the Hessle Community Centre. This will guarantee the protection of this valuable community asset for the use of the residents of Hessle and the Council now intends to develop plans to repair, improve and develop the premises and to increase the level of usage.

The Council intends to work with the Trustees to ensure that their activities can be maintained while at the same time increasing usage by new groups from the community. The current user groups include a luncheon club, coffee mornings, art class, Weight Watchers, whist club, dog training, childrens' groups, bridge and several others. Since the start of the pandemic, the Centre has also been home to the Hessle and Anlaby Food Bank which has served many needy individuals and families over the last two years.

The Community Centre is in a poor state of repair and plans are being developed to improve the building to bring it up to modern standards and to provide a much more attractive venue. We believe that there is good potential to increase the use of the Centre significantly and to provide a much needed facility for all Hessle residents.

Cllr. Bob Carroll



Cllr. Bob Carroll (Vice Chair of Hessle Town Council) and Cllr. Margot Sutton



HESSLE and ANLABY FOODBANK

Update November 2021

The last 6 months have proved to be busier than ever. The numbers of people accessing support from the foodbank have continued to slowly increase with Covid still being a factor for people needing support as they isolate. Other factors have included the removal of £20pw from Universal Credit payments, the end of furlough, job loss and increase in fuel costs.



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The foodbank, as a member of East Riding Poverty Alliance, were also able to support pupils on free school meals by running a click and collect service over the summer holidays to provide a "hamper" for the

children and families. We were able to provide over 300 hampers for local children in Hessle and Anlaby. The support offered by volunteers was crucial in being able to deliver this project and we were fortunate that Hessle High School offered us use of their sports hall as a packing venue.



We continue to have a great deal of support from local shops and supermarkets as well as numerous individual donations which make it possible to continue to support our local community.

We are again providing "hampers" for school children on free school meals and expect to deliver over 400 to the schools in early December. Alongside this project Emma Hardy MP has advised people to contribute to the foodbank and we already have people donating items of food ready for the Christmas period.

We are so grateful to the community for providing food and household essentials and to others who help with much needed cash and donations into our bank. We have a Facebook page which is updated weekly so we encourage you to "like" and "comment" on these posts.

For those who are able to help financially our bank details are -

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DAFFODIL BULB PLANTING with HESSLE ALL SAINTS' PUPILS

Hessle Town Council have embarked on a project to help make Hessle a more beautiful town come springtime. Our aim is to have daffodils planted in the grass border along Hull Road from Eastgate through to First Lane.

Children from 4C, Hessle All Saints School helped start off this project by planting the first bulbs at the Eastgate end of Hull Road, and are looking forward to seeing the results of their work in the springtime.

Several council members were involved in the planting, delighted that the children were happy to be involved and our thanks goes to the school for their participation.

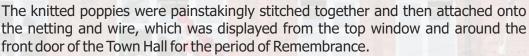
Next year we hope to plant even more bulbs than this year to extend the path of daffodils towards First Lane.





THE TOWN COUNCIL REMEMBERS

With the help of many volunteer knitters the staff at the Town Council were able to put together a wonderful, cascading display of poppies outside the Town Hall, to commemorate all those who have lost their lives during conflict.





The Town Council would like to thank once again all the volunteers who knitted literally 1000's of poppies and to those who spent hours stitching them together, thanks also go to Lighting and Signs who once again stepped in with the Cherry Picker to help us out with the installation.





East Riding Community Tree Planting Fund

The Town Council have once again been successful in their bid for a grant to provide more trees across the whole of Hessle and have been awarded £5000 by the East riding of Yorkshire Council.

The Town Council will work with East Riding Forestry Officers to determine the most appropriate species and locations for the trees – replacement for those that have been mindlessly damaged by vandalism and removed because of the development of housing within the Town.





Dates for Your Diary



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HESSLE HALLOWEEN SCARECROW TRAIL

During the October half term residents and visitors to the town were treated to an array of spooky scarecrows, as Cllr Jayne Langdale once again organised a Scarecrow Trail — this time to coincide with Halloween and the October half term.

The event was a great success with 89 entries from all over Hessle, and over 1500 people are now part of the Facebook group. Cllr Langdale is hoping to run the event again in May half term next year.





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Hessle Christmas Lights Switch-On

Friday, 26th November 2021

Thank you to all that attended the Christmas lights switch on this year, our first since 2019. It was so good to be able to hold one again and it was great to see so many people enjoying themselves. The weather was not kind to us, strong winds and rain showers, but that didn't spoil the evening thankfully. There was plenty of food and drink to enjoy, many shops stayed open, and Father Christmas paid us a visit. A big thank you to John Clayton and the Greatest Hits Radio team for hosting the event in the Square, as well as the superb performers: Zoe Kennington's Singing Class, Chloe Warren, The Hessle Federation Choir, the cast of Robinson Crusoe, Fit 4 All dance group and lastly The Steven Ellis Group who performed some great rock 'classics'

As always thanks to Hessle First for holding the market on The Weir with a good array of stalls selling food gifts and drinks. There were plenty of rides for the younger children as well, my granddaughter seemed to enjoy every single one of them! Thanks also to the photographers, Paul Marshall and to Innes Photographers as well. And a final thank-you to Mr Skelton and the Cake Room who donated a fantastic cake, which was presented to staff from The Old Coach House on Eastgate.

Thanks also to the following businesses for their generous donations: Clark Weightman, Gary Alden Butchers, Specsavers, Co-op and Morrisons for Santa's Sweet donation and East Riding of Yorkshire Council for providing the funding for the sanitising stations and the winter Wonderland Birds.

Looking forward to 2022 plans are being made to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee in June, and the Town Council are looking to bring back the popular Soapbox Derby at the Humber Bridge, and Hessle First are hoping to bring back the Hessle Feast. If all goes to plan, there should be plenty to look forward to in 2022.

Finally, and on a more serious note, two days before the lights switch on, there was a major fire at Bridgewood UK's (formerly Thompsons Plastics) factory site on Ferry Road. Thankfully there were no fatalities or injuries but the scale of the damage leaves over 100 employees at the site facing an uncertain future. We wish them all well for the future. A GoFundMe page has been set up by two local businesses to help the workers through the coming months, which shows the tremendous community spirit of the people of Hessle.



HESSLE U3A RELAUNCH PROJECT

In June, Hessle u3a applied for a grant of £850 from an East Riding fund 'Do it for East Yorkshire'. The application was approved in August. The purpose of the grant was to kick-start the relaunch of Hessle u3a. In particular, new items of audio-visual equipment were required as were materials to publicise the restart.

A new remote microphone system and speaker system were purchased, together



with associated ancillary equipment plus a new projector.

Materials were purchased to make a publicity banner, produce posters and print tri-fold leaflets for handing out to the public. The banner was erected outside the church hall.

The leaflets were printed and subsequently folded.







Copies of the poster were distributed to members for display on their gates or in their windows. In addition, copies were displayed by Hessle Town Council on the thirteen council notice boards around the town.

The relaunch event was a Coffee and Cakes event at All Saints Church Hall, on Saturday, the 11th of September.

Members were asked, if they were able to make a cake or, if they had plants/cuttings to spare, to take them along.

The event featured several displays and presentations from various of our special interest groups, most of which are now up and running again, although a few may not restart until later in the year.

Members were urged to come along and support the relaunch event.

The event was well attended and plenty of interest was shown in the activities of Hessle u3a.

Twenty-three of our special interest groups have now restarted or are about to restart.









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