

# Howden News



## MOBILE SKATE PARK TASTER SESSIONS COMING TO HOWDEN

Working in conjunction with Howden Town Council, the Howden Riders registered charity has arranged for the young people of the town to have access to a mobile skate park for 3 sessions on **4th, 11th and 16th of April 2013**.

East Riding of Yorkshire Council's mobile skate park will be positioned in their car park off Hailgate, adjacent to the Cooperative supermarket, from 4.30pm until 7.30pm on all three dates. The charity and Howden Town Council hope the young people of Howden, including the hundreds that have signed petitions to obtain a permanently built skate park in the town, will come along to the initial taster sessions in April.

To ensure that the users of the skate park have maximum benefit the charity is asking that young people access the facilities at the following times:

**4.30pm until 5.30pm - Ages 6 to 9**

**5.30pm until 6.30pm - Ages 10 to 13**

**6.30pm until 7.30pm - Ages 13+**

These events are open to the young people of Howden.

Hugh Roberts, Mayor of Howden said that "the Town Council are supporting these three taster sessions as we feel it is important that the young people of Howden have a better range of facilities in the town. These taster sessions will provide an opportunity for the young people of Howden to experience a skate park". He hopes that they will enjoy the facility and join in with the work being undertaken to try and obtain a permanent skate park for the town.

Howden Riders has received funding from a NHS Grant Fund, administered by Humber and Wolds Rural Community Council, the charity has also arranged for Howden Junior School to use this facility for

Trailer full of ramps for skateboards, scooters and BMXs, for all abilities. Supported by trained staff.

**Mobile Skate Park**  
**Coming to Howden**

**Session is FREE!!!!**

**4:30—5:30 6 to 9 years**  
(Under 8's to have a parent present)

**5:30—6:30 10 to 13 years**

**6:30—7:30 over 13yrs**

Please bring own Scooters, BMX's, Skateboards or Skates  
Protective clothing recommended

**Thursday 28th March**  
**Thursday 4th April**  
**Thursday 11th April**

To be located in the car park opposite the large Co-Op

In conjunction with

**Howden Riders** **Howden Town Council**

a full day in March. The school is planning a number of activities to increase pupil's health and well-being, as well as wheeled sports skills, during the course of the day.

Judy Scargill, the Head Teacher at Howden Junior School, commented "We are delighted to be working in partnership with Howden Riders to provide all our students with a unique opportunity to take advantage of all that a skate park has to offer, not only increasing their skills in these sporting activities, but also building their confidence and, importantly, improving their health. We hope that our engagement with the charity will encourage more of our parents to get involved in this campaign."

Joanne Greenfield, Howden Riders Secretary, added "Howden Junior School will be working with us to provide the evidence of

need through pupil and parent questionnaires, and in future fundraising initiatives. A big thank you to Judy and the team at Howden Junior School and Howden Town Council for their continued support."

Howden Riders, through this NHS Grant Fund funding, will also be hiring the mobile skate park in the summer school holidays for a full day and will announce the date and location later in the year.

The charity is working hard to engage more local people in the campaign and urge anyone who has as little as one hour a month free, to contact them to help with the campaign.

For more details, please contact Joanne Greenfield or Helen Ainscough through the Howden Skate Park Campaign page on Facebook or via 07740 086279 (Joanne) or 07736 389928 (Helen).



#### GOOLE GOFAR MEDIBUS

The Goole GoFar was established as a charity in 2004 to provide accessible transport solutions to the people of Goole and Howdenshire who through age, sickness or ability cannot easily access regular transport.

Our minibuses are able to seat up to 16 passengers. They are fully accessible to passengers with disabilities including wheelchair users.

Our Community Car can take 6 passengers or 4 passengers and a wheelchair user.

In 2012 we started a new service – The Goole Medibus.

This service provides a door to door demand responsive transport option for passengers wishing to travel to medical



[www.goolegofar.org.uk](http://www.goolegofar.org.uk)

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establishments in Goole and Scunthorpe.

Medical establishments would include hospitals, clinics, doctor's surgeries and dentists among others.

Passengers can also use the Medibus service for daytime visiting at Scunthorpe and Goole Hospital.

The Medibus runs Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and journeys must be pre-booked no later than 2pm on the day before you wish to travel.

For more information or to book a seat on the Goole Medibus please telephone the East Riding Call Centre on 08456 445 959 (calls charged at local rate).



## HOWDEN TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE

In March the Town Council finally moved into its new office at 17 Bridgegate, following repairs and re-decoration. The building was purchased with a loan from the Public Works Board and at last provides a suitable meeting room for the Council and a Town Centre office for the Clerk. Since the closure of the board room at the local drainage board office the Council has tried to use a number of different premises around Howden. None of them were suitable for the purpose of conducting Council business. As well as providing facilities for the Council the meeting room can be hired by local charities, organisation and businesses. The room can be arranged to accommodate a number of seating options and can be rented by the hour. The room can host at least 14 people seated around tables and can cater for approximately 50 people seated without tables. All the tables and chairs can be stacked to create an open area. There is a small kitchen and down stairs toilets, suitable for all abilities. The kitchen is fitted with a kettle, water boiler and cups and saucers. There are plenty of IT and power sockets in the room lending it to training courses as well as a meeting room.

The hourly rate is as follows:

Local Charities and Organisations - £15

Commercial - £25

For further information or to arrange a viewing of the room please contact:

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The office is open Monday to Thursday. There is no parking on site.



## HOWDEN MONTH OF SUNDAYS BAND CONCERTS

The Month of Sunday Band Concerts will take place as usual in June this year.

The Bands and dates are as follows:

**June 2nd - Beverley Brass Band**

**June 9th - York Railway Institute Band** (please note this concert is in the Minster)

**June 16th - York Railway Institute Band**

**June 23rd - Knottingley Silver Band**

Please note that on the 9th, the concert will be in the Minster with the remaining concerts being outdoors (weather permitting), or in the Shire Hall should the rain revisit us.

[David Drinkwater](#)

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## BARNES WALLIS UPDATE

Well I'm afraid I do not have much news on the BWMT at this time.

In October some members of the Barnes Wallis Trust visited Brooklands, in London where there are already some of Barnes Wallis' artefacts, including Barnes' war time office. The visit was organised with a view to relocating BWMT there permanently. This proposal was raised at the last BWMT meeting in November. Trustees were agreed that it would be timely to move forward in this matter. No necessary contradiction was seen between continuation of the Trust's Howden link and a new link with Brooklands. Rather, the two could be seen as mutually reinforcing, each reflecting an important stage in BNW's career and providing potential complementary assets in attracting support for the Trust's future work and opportunities associated with it. At present members of the trust are in negotiations with the Manchester University



and Brooklands to find a time when the transfer can take place. This will be sooner rather than later.

I do not know how this will affect my position as the Civic Society representative?

However my main concern at this time is to see the completion of the airship trail as mentioned in early newsletters. Members of the Howden Civic Society committee have now received backing from the local shops, ERYC, The Town Council and three local MPs.

Also we have full support from the Barnes Wallis trust with a promise of monetary help towards the grant that we are still chasing. Hopefully by the next Howden News we may have the trail in place.

**Kenneth Deacon**

**Howden Civic Society representative on the Sir Barnes Wallis Memorial Trust.**

## THE SHIRE HALL

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know about some of our forthcoming events and some of the work we are doing at the Shire Hall.

We are a registered charity (No 224206) and generate all our own income.

This takes the form of hiring the Hall out to regular groups, one-off events such as weddings, children's parties and conferences and also holding fundraising events.

Our next big fundraiser is on Friday April 12th and sees the return of 'Keep It Cash'. This Johnny Cash tribute act is making a welcome return to Howden after two previous visits. Tickets for this event are £12 and are available from the Shire Hall office or Touchwood Homecare, Howden.

We are also home to Howden Live and Howden Market. The market takes place inside the Hall and out in the Market Place

every Friday. We also hold our very own fundraising coffee mornings alongside the market, a relatively new addition which has proved very popular with locals and visitors to the town alike.

We recently re-launched our website where all our details can be found. It is regularly updated with all our upcoming events, cinema showings and also a detailed list of all the regular classes here. Check out [www.howden-shirehall.com](http://www.howden-shirehall.com) to see what we have on offer.

For further information on anything Hall related please contact me in the office, telephone (01430) 432510 or email me at [howdenshirehall@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:howdenshirehall@hotmail.co.uk). There is also a contact facility on the website.

**Sarah Hardcastle**

**Venue Manager**



## HOWDEN SHOW 2013

Howden Show 2013 will take place on Sunday 7 July at The Ashes playing fields and plans are already well under way.

Attractions will include a motorbike stunt show, a falconry display, a chainsaw demonstration and a circus in a big top, as well as the chance for visitors to take part in fun, circus skills workshops. The organising committee, which is made up of local volunteers, is also developing the horticulture section of the show for this year.

A brand new Howden Show logo has been unveiled and will appear on all future promotional materials.

Howden Show Chairman, Andy Formon, said: "We wanted to create a distinctive,

modern-looking logo that people would recognise easily, but one that also remained true to the event's roots as an agricultural show with a long and proud history. We feel that the choice of colour and incorporation of an ear of corn in the design reflects this very well."

Anyone who would like to share their ideas or get involved in organising aspects of Howden Show, either as a volunteer or a committee member, is welcome to contact Andy Formon at: [chairman@howdenshow.co.uk](mailto:chairman@howdenshow.co.uk)



## EAST RIDING BIN COLLECTIONS

Howden residents are among the most enthusiastic recyclers anywhere in the East Riding, filling their blue recycling bins with glass, paper, plastics, cans and food and drink cartons.

Increasingly less is being put in the green bins as local residents make a real effort to keep waste out of landfill, which hits us all in the pocket because East Riding of Yorkshire Council has to pay £72 on every tonne it puts in a hole in the ground.

In 2012, the council had to spend over £4million just on the tax to send waste to landfill. That is a huge amount of our money in these tough times which could be better spent on other services.

So the council's message is to make full use of the blue bins for recycling. Glass, for example, never rots in landfill but can be recycled into more bottles and is even used in the making of roads.

The garden waste and food waste put in the brown bins is composted. But food waste prevention is best, for example by sticking to your shopping list and not being drawn to buy

offers, making meals out of leftovers and freezing what can't be used immediately.

Other waste prevention ideas include sending unwanted clothes to charity - every year East Riding residents send to landfill the equivalent in weight of four million pairs of jeans.

If you haven't got a blue or brown bin or a food waste caddy and would like them, call the council on 01482 393939 and they will be delivered to you at no cost.

Sometimes, though, a very few people occasionally leave their bins on pavements and walkways, blocking them and causing a nuisance. It is a particular problem for those in wheelchairs, with mobility scooters or prams. If you are unsure of your collection dates you can find them on the council's website, [www.eastriding.gov.uk](http://www.eastriding.gov.uk).

Bins should be put to the kerbside no earlier than the evening before collection and removed no later than the evening after they have been emptied. Those who keep obstructing pavements and roads with their bins could face a fine of up to £1,000.

## NEWS FROM THE ASHES

It was all going reasonably well.....

Or so we thought!!!

As most of you will know The Ashes Playing Field Trust is a registered charity that was formed when the Ashes was given to the people of Howden nearly 90 years ago. Our funding like most charities is derived from different sources, ours being an annual grant from the Howden Town council, grants and donations from other groups, or individuals and interest earned from money we have invested that was left to us in trust.

The Council about 3 years ago asked us to produce a business plan to demonstrate how we intend to manage the facility. This was done and we have shared with the Council our plans for the future. It all sounds very straightforward.....

Unfortunately Central Government in Westminster had other ideas and to cut a long story very short, the small part of your council tax (the bills are due out

this month) that is allocated, as Parish Precept won't be stretching as far as it normally does. In short we have had about a 25% cut in budget.

So what are we going to do? The first thing is don't panic. The park will survive and our Groundsman's budget is safe.

We must now look to applying for grants and donations and raising even more money ourselves.

So how can you help? Well, we twice a year host a fundraising day at St Crux church in York where we sell bric-a-brac and in the kitchen sell sandwiches and cakes. Any donations of re-saleable bric-a-brac before the end of April would be gratefully received.

Popular items are CD's and DVD's as well as any unused cosmetics (unopened please). If you have anything please contact a member of the committee.

Many of you who use the park will have seen the improvements made on what is now known as The Diamond Jubilee Walk (the bit between the Hailgate football pitch and the bowling green). We have had lots of donations to provide new shrubs/trees as well as benches. We still need donations to complete the project so again please contact us if you can help.

Finally, after last years Jubilee event on the park we were bombarded with requests to do it again. In conjunction with the Town Council events group we will be holding a

**May Day** celebration on **Sunday the 5th of May 2013**. Unlike last year where the event was spread across the park and Market Place this event will (weather permitting) be

entirely on the main playing field.

Again we intend to organise this as a family event running from 1pm – 6pm. Feel free to bring your own picnic and gazebo's etc. There will be food outlets and a bar (please don't bring alcohol or glasses onto the field – alcohol can only be consumed in the bar area) so please come along and support not only the playing field but also the Events group. Check out **Howden Events** on Facebook for updates on what's happening.

[Chris Dalton](#)

[Chair – Ashes Trust](#)

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**BEWARE BOGUS CALLERS!**

Bogus callers are a problem in any Police area and occasionally we get them in ours.

Most people who come to your door may be genuine callers, but sometimes, you can't be sure and so you need to 'think security' before opening your door to them!

Bogus callers can be very persuasive people: they very often prey on the elderly or vulnerable. They can claim to be from the local authority, health services, gas, electric or water companies, or simply claim to be trades people calling to carry out repairs. Sometimes they can even pretend to be from the police!

So we all need to beware!

Here's some simple advice when somebody knocks on your door or rings your doorbell:

- Look to see who it is outside before opening up.
- Fit a chain on your door so you can open your door to talk to people with the chain engaged.
- Always lock your doors. Sometimes bogus officials work in pairs, and whilst you're distracted at the front door, another may be coming through your back door!
- Check the caller's identity before you let them in. If in doubt shut the door and call the company or organisation they represent. Remember to use the phone book, not the number on their identity card! If the person is

genuine, they'll understand and wait.

- If still in doubt, ask the caller to leave and tell them to write and make an appointment so that someone else can be with you.

If in doubt, don't let them in!

In addition to bogus callers, 'cold callers' are another problem, particularly in the spring and summer months when people turn up unannounced asking if you want your trees pruning, your guttering mending or your drive tarmacking. Whilst some do operate legitimately, others take advantage, do shoddy work and then charge exorbitant amounts in payment. If payment is refused they can become intimidating. Again, individuals like this often prey on those who are weakest.

The simple solution is say "No Thanks".

We need you to keep us posted in relation to suspicious people and vehicles in our area, so ring us on **101** and log details of anyone you're not happy with. Sometimes, that bit of information you're providing is the final piece in the jigsaw that can help solve a crime or identify someone trying to commit acts like those I've described.

[Sergeant Peter Rogers](#)

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**DOG FOULING!**

Following the article in the Goole Times about the 'dog poo shrine' on Selby Road a few weeks ago, many residents approached the Town Council to say that they, as responsible dog owners, always cleaned up after their dogs and were as appalled as everyone else at the irresponsibility of those who didn't. Recently there have been several complaints from residents about dog mess on the streets in the centre of town, in particular on Shelford

Avenue and on Bishopgate. The ERYC dog wardens have been asked to keep an eye out for the offenders.

If this is you, please have some respect for your fellow citizens and for the environment, and make sure you clean up after your dog. By law you are required to clean up and dispose of the waste responsibly. It is an offence to fail to clean up after a dog and the person in charge of the dog can be fined **£75**.



## About Howden Town Council

Visit the Town Council's Website at: [www.howdentowncouncil.org.uk](http://www.howdentowncouncil.org.uk) to keep up to date about what is going on in the town and find out what the Council does. Here you will also find links to all the latest planning applications, details of on-going projects such as Howden Marsh Local Nature Reserve, the Derwent Crescent Play Park and grounds maintenance within the town.

You can also find out about individual members of the Council and the staff employed, as well as agendas and minutes of Council meetings and committees.

If you would like to be listed under the business section or have your organisation's news and events promoted on the website, simply contact us.

### HOWDEN TOWN COUNCIL

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### Howden Town Council is:

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### TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Town Council is on **Tuesday 16th April** at **17 Bridgegate**.

All Council meetings are open to all Howden residents, they start at 7pm with a public session at 8pm. The public are also welcome at all meetings of the 'Amenities', 'Planning' and 'Resources and Asset Management' Committees.

A full list of all meetings and agendas can be found at [www.howdentowncouncil.org.uk](http://www.howdentowncouncil.org.uk) or on the notice board outside the Shire Hall.