

# HEAR ABOUTS

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The Free Community Magazine for Eglingham Parish  
North Charlton | South Charlton | Eglingham | & Everywhere Between

## From the Editor

Hi everyone!

This month's issue is a little sketchy as February felt like it was 2 weeks shorter than it's already short 28 days! Mix that up with busier schedules and my usual disorganised self and we have a slightly lighter edition than normal!

March won't be any quieter for me, but at least it'll be a couple of days longer to fit things into.

If you have articles/notices etc that you want published in the magazine, don't wait to be asked, just send them in to the usual email address.

Thanks

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## Defribulator Volunteer Needed for South Charlton

For a significant time Gordon Plews, who looks after the Eglingham defrib unit, has also been kindly coming over to check the one at South Charlton too and wants to give up the dual responsibility ASAP.

So, residents of South Charlton, we're in need of a volunteer!

All that is involved is a regular check that everything is present and working within the cabinet, and reporting that to the organisation to ensure, should it be needed, it can be used. They are shown time and again to be life savers!

Please contact me for further info.

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### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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# 100 Club Results

## February winners

1st Prize £25    Number: 15 Jennifer Grant  
2nd Prize £15    Number: 47 George & Mary Elliott  
3rd Prize £10    Number: 83 Shirley Wright

## Leek Club Events Diary

March 20th - Quiz - 7:30pm

April 6th - Easter Bingo

April 20th - Easter Show

May 11th - Race Night

June 1st - BBQ at Doxford

June 28th - Games Night (Pie & Pea supper)

July 13th - BBQ (joint event with South Charlton Village Hall)

Aug 3rd - Tattie in a Bucket Weigh in & Fish and Chip supper after

Aug 24th - Main Show Day

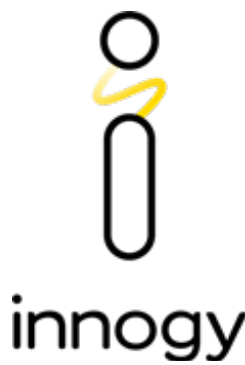
All taking place at South Charlton Village Hall unless stated otherwise.

More details on each to follow nearer the time.

## Tattie in a Bucket

The annual Tattie in a Bucket competition is about to be underway!

So to reserve your tattie and bucket,  
call Bob Stuart on 01665 579317 ASAP



## Innogy Renewables UK Middlemoor Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund Will open for applications on 16 April 2019

The deadline for submitting applications is Monday 27 May 2019 for consideration at the Panel meeting in July 2019

Applications are invited for the Innogy Renewables UK Limited Middlemoor Windfarm Community Benefit Fund at the Community Foundation.

### **Area of benefit:**

- Priority consideration will be given to applications from individuals, groups, projects and activities based within the Parish of Eglingham.
- Consideration will also be given to applications from groups and organisations outside of Eglingham Parish that provide services and activities that are deemed by the Fund to be of benefit to residents of the Parish.

### **Who can apply?**

- Individuals resident within the Parish of Eglingham.
- Constituted voluntary, community groups and charities based within the Parish of Eglingham.
- Consideration will also be given to constituted voluntary, community groups and charities which operate outside the Parish, if they can demonstrate that the project benefits people living within the Parish of Eglingham.

### **What can be funded:**

- The fund will consider requests for both capital and revenue funding.
- The Fund will support requests that are charitable, educational, philanthropic and benevolent in purpose.
- It will make grants to community groups, voluntary/charitable organisations and schools (for non-statutory purposes only).
- Capital items with tangible, lasting benefit, including improvements to community buildings.
- Biodiversity and habitat conservation.
- Energy conservation and increased use of renewables.
- Other projects which are community based and/or community led.

**Examples of what grants will be supported:**

- Capital items (buildings, machinery, equipment, vehicles and tools etc.)
- Time limited revenue requests.
- Sessional worker costs, e.g. workshops, tutors.
- Repairs and/or refurbishment to community buildings.
- Start-up costs for new community groups.
- Out-of-school activities.
- Voluntary and community group activities.
- Community and environmental projects.
- Educational bursaries, apprenticeships, training courses.

This list is not exhaustive and all applications will be given due consideration by the advisory panel.

**What will not be funded:**

- Retrospective grants.
- Activities that are the current responsibility of statutory authorities (e.g. School curriculum activities, road repairs etc).
- Political campaigns.
- Religious campaigns.
- Individuals full-time resident outside the parish of Eglington.
- Projects, activities within the parish of Ellingham (for so long as a dedicated community wind farm benefit fund exists within Ellingham Parish).
- Projects whose purpose is to generate income for personal gain.
- Repayment of loans or debts.
- Funding for third party distribution.
- Anti-renewable energy/windfarm activities.
- Activities likely to bring the reputation of the Community Foundation or Innogy Renewables UK Ltd or its subsidiaries into disrepute.

**How to apply**

Please apply online at [www.communityfoundation.org.uk/apply](http://www.communityfoundation.org.uk/apply)

For further details please contact:

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*ECA and St Maurice's Church Eglington Proudly Present*



Music Partnership North Traditional Music Ensemble - The Northumbrian Ranters

## **The Northumbrian Ranters**

**Friday 15th March, 2019. 7:30 pm**

**St Maurice's Church, Eglington**

**Tickets: £7.50. Under 16's free - available on the door**

The latest Cultural Event to take place in Eglington is a visit from the brilliant 30 strong traditional music orchestra 'The Northumbrian Ranters'. Made up of 1st and 2nd fiddles, flutes, Northumbrian pipes, cellos, guitars, drums, a harp, accordion and keyboard, they play both traditional sets from Northumberland and others from around the world.

The Ranters are made up of talented young musicians from across Northumberland and Newcastle. Their aim is to promote and raise the profile of traditional music both in the area and further afield. The group has toured extensively abroad including the States and are due to travel to Scotland during the October half term.

Come and experience the unique and exhilarating sound of the Ranters. You will be bouncing in your seats!

## Group service for Mothering Sunday: 31st March 2019

There will be a Mothering Sunday service for all of Rev. Marion's churches at 10.30 am in Holy Trinity, Old Bewick.

During the service there will be the traditional distribution of flower posies. Also the Lay Worship Leaders currently working in Marion's Benefice will be formally commissioned.



There will be refreshments after the service and everyone is very welcome.

## Church Coffee Morning: Saturday 23rd March

A coffee morning to raise funds for the churches of Eglingham and Old Bewick will be held at the Glendale Hall, Wooler on Saturday 23rd March. The coffee morning takes place between 10.00 am and 11.00 am, entry costs £1 for biscuits and as many cups of tea or coffee you can drink. There will also be a cake stall, tombola and a raffle.



Everyone is very welcome.

## 'The PILGRIM' course

"...you are standing where millions of men and women have stood: you have caught a glimpse of who God is (or might be), and you are curious to know whether the claims of the Christian faith can be trusted and whether they actually make any difference to life..... This informal course can help you."

You are invited to join us in St. Maurice's Church, Eglingham (in the Parish Room) on Wednesday afternoons during Lent (beginning 6th March) at 2pm, for any, or all six study sessions on The Lord's Prayer, led by Phyll, our visiting Theology student.

A few of us have already made a start on this Course and it is informal, friendly and interesting – worth trying.

[www.pilgrimcourse.org](http://www.pilgrimcourse.org)

# COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

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**South Charlton** – I have reported my concerns regarding the road surface on Ditchburn Road to NCC Highways. The same road which heads uphill and over the cattle grid towards West Ditchburn Farm is also badly in need of repair.

## **Highways England – A1 dualling Alnwick to Ellingham scheme**

A consultation will run for 6 weeks from Monday 25th February to Monday 8th April 2019. Consultation events will take place at Rennington Village Hall on Saturday 16th March from 10am to 3pm and also at the Willowburn Sports Centre, Alnwick on Wednesday 20th March 3pm to 8pm and Saturday 30th March 2019 10am to 3pm. Work has started at bus stops on the A1 north and southbound at North Charlton and Brownieside. There will be lane one closures in both directions and the bus stops will be moved some 30 metres up the road for the duration of the works. Access to residences and businesses in North Charlton and Brownieside will be retained at all time.

## **Recycling in Northumberland TOURS OF WEST SLEEKBURN**

If you've ever wondered what happens to your recycling, you can find out by visiting NCC West Sleekburn recycling plant, near Ashington.

It's free and you will be able to see the entire process from the beginning through to when it is ready for dispatch to re-processing plants.

The organised tours are for small groups and must be booked in advance. The tours take roughly two hours and run during working hours from Monday to Friday. The tour is specifically for people over the age of 14 and it is inadvisable for those with pacemakers to attend, due to the use of powerful magnets within the plant and other hazards.

If you're interested in coming on a tour, please forward your contact details and we can contact you to arrange a convenient time.

Call 0345 600 6400, or one of our local phone numbers to arrange.

If your own recycling bin has been contaminated you will find a tag on the bin or a letter through your door reminding you of the recycling guidelines. Please read the advice given, remove the offending items and put it out again on your next scheduled recycling collection day in two week's time.

Some points to consider:

- certain materials will cause problems at the sorting plant – materials such as food waste, nappies or glass will contaminate the bin beyond sorting and so the bin will not be emptied
- continually and deliberately contaminating your bin – the council will either remove your bin or refuse to empty it. In order to have your bin returned you will need to agree not to cause further contamination and pay the standard charge for the re-provision of the recycling bin if applicable.



# Oil Buying Group

It's now just over a year since Eglingham Community Association took on the running of the bulk oil buying group.

There are now 44 members of the group, with a wide variety of usage rates. We average 10 drops per order at present.



It would be good to have more members if at all possible, as then we could raise the quantity for each order and get an even better price.



I would like to think about any changes that we could make to improve the service. If you have heard about the group but decided not to use it would be really helpful to know what it is that puts you off or what would encourage you to join. If you can spare the time please email me (see below) and let me know your thoughts.

Similarly if you use the group It would be great to know what changes would be useful for you. Again just drop me an email.

In the meantime if you'd like to know the details of how it all works go to the ECA page on the Parish Website where there are a couple of documents explaining all. There is no commitment, you just have your email included on the distribution list and you'll receive an enquiry email about every 3 or 4 weeks. If you want some oil just respond to the email with the quantity you require. Once all the responses are in I ring 4 oil companies to get the best price, then place the order with most competitive.

If you'd like to be included on the email list for the group just email me at [geoffosmond2@gmail.com](mailto:geoffosmond2@gmail.com)

## Film Night at Eglingham Village Hall.



It was another lovely night at the hall. An uplifting family film with some powerful catchy tunes, that lingered in the head and indeed were heard in the car park afterwards as people left!

The hall is now a comfortable, warm and pleasant space for all types of events; nice décor, with some great photos on the walls, good projection and sound system, and it was beautifully laid out "cabaret style" for the film. The huge hot dogs and selection of popcorn were a great success,

very tasty! Roll on the next one!

*Barry Normal*

## Abba Night at South Charlton Village Hall

A couple of weeks before Eglingham had Hugh Jackman on their big screen, over in South Charlton they had an Abba night which the first part of the night was the showing of a certain sequel film that has a sing along version of Abba classics!

Not just the film to watch, the bar was open, the hall was Greek themed in decor and nibbles.

I hear the night didn't end as the credits rolled as the hall became a dancefloor for the remainder of the night!

Great night had by all, by all accounts!  
Keep an eye out for the next one!



## Eglingham Parish Public Rights of Way Enhancement Project

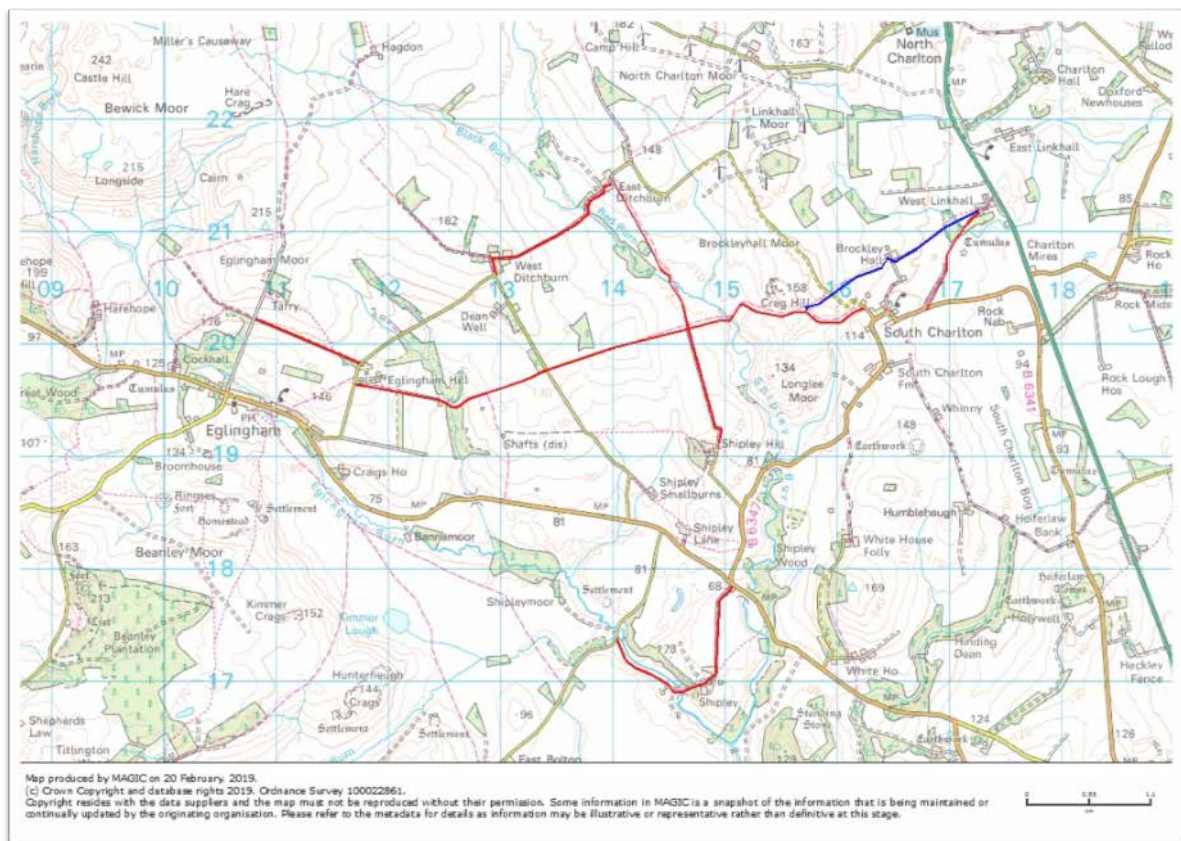
I am hoping to source some funding from the Middlemoor Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund to enable some public rights of way (PROW) enhancements in the Eglingham Parish. I am a member of the Joint Local Access Forum (JLAF) and a resident of the Parish. The main focus of this project will be the enhancement of some PROW in the parish in order to provide a few high quality circular routes for dog walkers from Eglingham and South Charlton, and for horse riders from Shipley Lane Equestrian Centre, minimising the use of tarmac roads.

Most of the enhancements will include items such as new gates or catches where the existing ones or not easily opened. I have already been in touch with some of the land owners in the area but would like to meet up the tenants and owners I have not yet contacted. I would like to work with the farmers to create routes that are suitable for their use as well as the PROW users.

The map attached shows the routes I have chosen to focus on, so if any of these routes cross your land I would be very interested in speaking to you about the possible improvements we could make with the money available.

*Sarah Radcliffe.*

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## Home Alone

Oscar Gun Dog (Retired) reporting for duty. The month has been very busy at Alexa's Animals; we dogs didn't know there were so many builders in the county but there's a fair few here at any one time. Alf and his lad have engineered an accessible path at the front and are now building an isolation kennel. This is a health and safety measure in case any of we chaps look to be coming down with something catching and is a place to give new recruits the once over. We've returned to our usual quarters and are enjoying the benefits of new roofing – no puddles in the corners or draughts whistling in so we are already much warmer. The hammer boys are still here though – working on the other blocks – and we get lots of kind words and pats as they go about their business. They're not sure whether they've gone deaf or we've stopped barking at them.



Regular readers may remember that I am one of the Golden Oldies together with my "sister" Amber; she's not going so well on her pins and has gone for a bit of respite in a foster house. Yours truly is feeling a tad "Home Alone" and the word is I may be looking for a new family just for me rather than with the old girl. I've got bags of energy despite the distinguished grey muzzle and am quite used to the outdoor life. The chaps here have only just persuaded me that it is all above board for dogs to actually lie on the beds they put in our kennels rather than sleep on the tiles.

On a brighter note some of the old gang from last month have already found happiness; Nim the part-Husky has moved in with a greyhound playmate and is having a tremendous time, Celt the Border terrier has a new human as have Riley and Marley the lurchers. Others of us are still here though...if you get my drift.

Over and out,

*Oscar*



## Useful Contacts

Local Councillor

Wendy Pattison: 07779 983072

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Vicar

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## Have you found the Parish Website yet?

It has pages for all the local organisations, back issues of Hear Abouts, Parish Council meeting notes and much more. It now has a new feature “Upcoming Events” which lists, well, upcoming events.

The web address is: [www.eglingham.info](http://www.eglingham.info)

Once there you use the menu ‘hamburger’ in the top right corner (depending on the size of screen) to select which page you want.



The website is now being updated with new content more frequently so why not bookmark it in your browser and keep in touch with all that is going on in the Parish.

## Residents @ Email List

A resident of the Parish? Then if you haven't already... Sign up for our community email list!

Our very successful email list is open to any resident within our boundaries, just send an email to [david@eglingham.org.uk](mailto:david@eglingham.org.uk) and you will get added.

Next Issue:

Early April 2019

Content Must be submitted by 20th March