

Tadcaster and Villages Community Engagement Forum (CEF)

covers the following parishes:

Appleton Roebuck & Acaster Selby; Barkston Ash; Biggin; Bilbrough; Bolton Percy; Church Fenton; Colton & Steeton; Healaugh & Catterton; Little Fenton; Newton Kyme cum Toulston; Oxton; Saxton with Hazlewood; Tadcaster; Towton, Grimston & Kirby Wharfe with North Milford; and Ulleskelf.



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What we have achieved 2017-18

Community Festival

The CEF ran a successful “Give It a Go” event, as part of the Community Festival at the Tour de Yorkshire. Twelve Community stalls participated in the event, alongside a CEF stand that also supported Tadcaster in Bloom. There were two competitions, one for the most engaging Community stall and the other a free prize draw for those families that visited each stall.

106 families and individuals took part in the competition. 10 winners were drawn receiving gift vouchers. In addition, three stalls won cash prizes for their organisations – 1st Selby District Vision, 2nd Church Fenton Air Squadron and 3rd BeeAble.

Community Discovery Day

The CEF organised a Community Discovery Day on Thursday 26th October at the Riley Smith Hall. The event included 24 stalls from different organisations including a Selby Hands of Hope pop up charity shop, consultations on Planning, Disability issues and Leisure Provision in the area, live music, competitions and of course food!

Public Forums

The summer CEF Public Forum event provided the opportunity to discuss future flood prevention in Tadcaster and the villages following the publication of the report into the December 2015 floods. Speakers included: Yorkshire Water Environment Agency, North Yorkshire County Council, and Selby District Council

In September the CEF held two Public Forums – the first focused on next steps across all key stakeholders to avoid future flooding. Members of the public were able to ask a range of questions and get answers to their concerns.

The second Public Forum was “Turning Dreams into Reality - The Transformation of Bolton Percy” www.allsaintsboltonpercy.co.uk

The event included a presentation about the work of local residents to successfully save their church, the creation of a range of Heritage projects and reinvigorating their local community.

Our Public Forum held in January included a fascinating presentation from the Tadcaster Medical Centre exploring their work, the challenges they face and an opportunity for residents to ask questions about service delivery.

Our next Public Forum will take place on Monday 11th June from 6.30pm at the Riley Smith Hall. This forum will include information regarding the range of learning opportunities available with presentations from NYCC Adult Learning, Workers Educational Association W.E.A., University of the 3rd Age U3A and Tadcaster and Rural C.I.C.

The CEF has funded a number of initiatives including;

- Tadcrafters - to work with residents to create promotional materials for the Tour de Yorkshire.

- Sing Yourself Happy Tadcaster – purchasing new sound equipment to continue running singalong groups aimed at predominately people living with Dementia and their carers.
- Development support for Stutton Village Hall
- Tadcaster Community Library have received funding to further develop volunteering opportunities and develop a range of activities to secure ongoing funding for the sustainability of the library
- Funding towards various operating costs of the Church Fenton Community Shop including legal costs, licensing costs and stock.
- Funding to 2434 (Church Fenton) Squadron Air Training Corps towards the purchase of a new minibus.
- Funding towards a project to restore two windows at the St Johns Church in Kirkby Wharfe.

Community Funding

We launched a £25k CEF funding initiative with project ideas to be submitted ahead of the Public Forum. Five organisations developed proposals relating to new services and opportunities for residents in the Tadcaster and Villages CEF area. All of the proposals were successful in securing the funds they needed.

They include;

- Selby District Disability Forum – the creation of a new service for local people living with a disability to address their needs.
- Selby Hands of Hope – to create a new Pop Up Shop service, creating new paid and volunteer opportunities
- Yorkshire Energy Doctor – to provide training for people to become Community Energy Ambassadors skilled in advising people how to save money with their energy suppliers
- Tadcaster and Rural CIC – to create a Tadcaster Arts Festival
- The Kelcbar Centre – to develop a Dementia Forward Café