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## 3M Staff Support Play Café

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MP for Sedgefield





## Vouchers for Families in Need

Every Christmas Rotary Newton Aycliffe supplies a large number of food hampers to families in need who are identified (but remain anonymous to us) by our wonderful Health Visitors. This year, thanks to a great suggestion by one of our own members, we purchased 65 voucher cards from Tesco which can be exchanged for groceries and other household goods in store.

The voucher scheme will save everyone so much time and heavy lifting. Tesco staff will not have to make up the hampers. Rotarians will not need to collect and transport the hampers and it will not be necessary for the Health Visitors to deliver each one to the families involved.

On 21st December, our President, Trish Pemberton, went along to the One Point family centre in Newton Aycliffe to hand over the vouchers and say thank you to the Health Visitors for all they do. Thanks also to our community for all your contributions to our fundraising. We could not do our work in Rotary without your help.

*Photo from left Health Visitor Rachel Clarke, Assistant Practitioner Vanessa Carmichael, Student Health Visitor Victoria Simpson, Health Visitor Meshell Charlston, Health Visitor Amy Lambert and Rotary President Trish Pemberton.*



### **(B6444 HEIGHINGTON LANE, AYCLIFFE) (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE) ORDER 2021**

The Council proposes to make an Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984 as amended, Section 14 (1) to prohibit all vehicular traffic from proceeding on 75m of B6444 Heighington Ln, Aycliffe from the junction with Station Rd westwards to the entrance to Heighington Station car park to enable barrier testing works at Heighington Station level crossing. Alt route from the eastern side of the closure, B6444 Heighington Ln south easterly on B6444 St Andrews Way to A167 then southerly to A1(M) Junction 59 (Aycliffe) Interchange, south westerly on A1(M) to Burtree Interchange (J58) then northerly along A68 and A6072 to the roundabout junction with B6444 leading to the western side of the closure, and vice versa. A local (non-HGV) diversion will be signed from the eastern side of the closure, northerly via Spring Rd and Whinbank Rd, left onto Horndale Ave then south westerly along School Aycliffe Ln to the A6072 roundabout junction with B6444 to the western side of the closure and vice versa. The maximum duration of the Order is 18 months. The proposed works are to commence from 11pm on 20/1/21 until 7am on 21/1/21. On occasions, alternative dates for closure may be necessary and these will be signed accordingly.

Dated: 8th January 2021



Helen Lynch  
Head of Legal & Democratic Services  
County Hall, Durham DH1 5UL

## Overwhelming Support from 3M



**The Play Café project, set up to help families of school aged children during school holidays, received overwhelming support from employees of 3M at Christmas.**

"We cannot thank them enough for all the gifts given to the many families we helped this year," said Alison Firby, a volunteer with the charity. "3Mers have gone above and beyond anything we might realistically have expected of their generous offer of support." Stephanie Heaviside contacted the project in early November, hoping to help provide some presents and Christmas Hamper foods to cheer the families after such a difficult year. She has also been amazed at fellow 3Mers response. Working 12 hour shifts 24/7 at the local site on the Business Park since the Pandemic began creating PPE; there had been little activity in the Sports & Social Club - How would they manage to do this? Worldwide apparently, 3Mers are known to have three things in common; they are curious, creative and passionate - about making a difference. They want to change the world for the better.

"They certainly changed Christmas for 48 children and their parents in Newton Aycliffe" said Alison.

It started with a tree, covered in name tags, for employees to take away and buy presents on their behalf. Then came the super Christmas day foods; pudding and pies, Yule log, trifle and cream, paté, crackers and more. Christmas crackers to give a party atmosphere and even after dinner mints. Alison said "It was awesome - so many tears shed as we arranged to receive all this 'goodness' - for perfect strangers!"

It was a wonderful response and still the 3Mers did more. They set up a pyjama fund and the children were all bought lovely M&S PJs. The children had a fabulous Christmas and some have just received their PJs this week with the Play Café New Year support pack.

A cash donation from the Sports & Social Fund last year was used to buy Family Passes to Beamish Museum. A similar donation will enable the Play Café to continue running trips there and hopefully elsewhere, when the restrictions are eased. Our families, volunteers and Trustees would like to take this opportunity to thank Stephanie and all the 3Mers for making a very quiet Christmas so, so special. Thank you.

Alison Firby

*Photo: Geoff Batchelor (Rotary Newton Aycliffe), Stephanie Heaviside (3M) and Alison Firby (Play Café)*

## Builders Cause Disruption



Dear Sir,  
I live on Travellers Green, opposite the new Tolent building site. This week I watched as sludge was being pumped from the building site onto the public grass area. When I spoke to the site manager, his response was that "the water was clean". I have attached a photo of the 'clean' water. This site is very disruptive to the surrounding homes, especially the roads which are thick with mud as well as the vehicles turning the grass verges into a mess. My main concern is the pumping of the sludge on to public grassed areas.

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# Toy Run Donate to Walworth School

Every year The Turbinia and Aycliffe Bike Club organise a 'Toy Run' at Christmas to collect donations for good causes in the Bishop Auckland and Newton Aycliffe areas. The run itself takes in many areas of County Durham and is supported by the Blazing Squad who also receive and collect donations to give to worthy causes. Once again, the pupils of Walworth School were set to benefit from this generous act. All of the children and staff would like to thank the Turbinia Pub for this fantastic gesture, Martin Norris and everyone who donated or collected donations. On the run up to Christmas, Walworth staff collected a huge selection of toys from the Turbinia to be shared out amongst the children. Head Teacher, Mr Peter Wallbanks, said, "this huge act of kindness is once again set to support our children. The efforts of the customers and staff of the Turbinia is really appreciated, especially this year when we all need some Christmas cheer. The staff and pupils of Walworth School wish to give



all involved our greatest thanks for this wonderful gesture.

# Showing Appreciation for NHS

Dear Sir,  
My daughter, Imogen Davies, aged 15, has really struggled this year, as has everyone else. Imogen has been in hospital a few times and the NHS staff on the children's ward at Darlington Memorial Hospital were amazing and helped her through so much. Imogen wanted to show her thanks and appreciation for everything they did for her and what they are doing for everyone else through this difficult time. So Imogen and her Sister, Maya Davies, aged 9, collected donations from the public and made a huge Christmas Hamper to say 'Thank You'.



Imogen was also able to make a Christmas Cake with virtual FaceTime help from her Nana, Janette Davies (a cake maker). Janette has always helped the girls make amazing cakes. Imogen took the cake and hamper down to Darlington Memorial Hospital just before Christmas Eve, to make sure the staff working over the Christmas period could enjoy some fabulous treats. Well done Imogen and Maya. The Davies Family



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# Horndale Infants Bring Christmas Cheer

What an exciting week it was at Horndale School!

First of all the children had a visit from the big man himself, Father Christmas, followed by our Christmas dinner, which was amazing. Not only that, but on Wednesday 16th December, we were able to hand out a Christmas Food Hamper to every family in school!

Despite all the doom and gloom that 2020 has brought us, the school put together a fabulous festive hamper with delicious delights for every family to enjoy this winter. Headteacher, Craig Brown, stated "we know that every family has had a difficult year and with the support of Gregg's, Wilkinson's, Taylor Shaw and The Sports Club Big Boys, we were able to put together some amazing hampers full of treats for all of the family to enjoy. Parents were very grateful for the hampers



with comments on the school social media page including:

"Thank you so much for our lovely Christmas hamper, what an unexpected surprise!" "You always go above and beyond for the children, we are so grateful for everything you do! xx".

Another parent commented "Thank you so much for the hamper, very much appreciated! Hope all the staff have an amazing Christmas, it's so very deserved! xx".

The week before we broke up for Christmas also saw the launch of our Virtual Christmas Production.

"A big thank you to all our parents for supporting us, I wish you all a safe and happy new year" said Mr. Brown.



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# Howdens New Depot Opens on Aycliffe Business Park

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"We are 'trade only', but customers are welcome to view our products. We can help you find a local trade professional if necessary, to create your dream kitchen," said Caroline Smith, Newton Aycliffe Branch Manager. "Our store is now fully operational and can be found on Durham Way South, next to ROF59".



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## Fly Tipping at Whinlatter Place

Dear Sir,  
The below images have been taken of the square in Whinlatter Place. Items of rubbish have been scattered all over by some well behaved kids, as before . . . it's just a matter of time before this ends up in the beck.

Name and address supplied

ED: We passed this information on to County Councillors Eddy Adam and Kate Hopper who said "We would like to thank the local resident for bringing this fly tipping to our attention via the Newton News. We will report this to Livin and DCC for action, if any other resident has any further information related to this, or other incidents, they can contact Durham County Council by using the 'Do It Online' system <https://doitonline.durham.gov.uk> or contact us as County Councillors, eddy.adam@durham.gov.uk or mobile: 07900 701966; kate.hopper@durham.gov.uk mobile: 07900 702365."



## Blast from the Past



Dear Sir,  
My name is Robert White and I live in Canada. In the summer of 1969, I visited my parents in Maidstone, Kent. Whilst there I came across two bikers, and they looked kind of interesting, so I asked if I could take their photo.

I took a couple of photographs, and obtained their address, telling them I would send them copies of the photos, unfortunately, I never got around to sending them.

The name and address they gave me was, John Reynolds of 12 Honister Place, Newton Aycliffe, County Durham, England.

I wonder if you would be good enough to publish the photos, together with the name and address, in the Newton News?

They are probably no longer at Honister Place, but I am hoping that some of your many readers might recognise them and pass on the photographs.

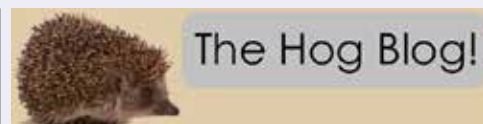
If, through your magazine, you do find these gentlemen, perhaps you would be kind enough to email them a copy of the pictures. Thank you so much for your kind help and assistance.

Yours truly,  
Robert White

Ed: If John Reynolds, or a member of his family, would like to receive copies of the photos sent by Mr White, please email paul@newtonnews.co.uk

## Congratulations

The winner of the Newton News 'Wonder Woman 1984' competition is Margaret Burke from Booth Walk, Newton Aycliffe who will receive her movie merchandise from Warner Bros direct, as well as a family ticket to Vue Cinema (when it reopens).



Happy New Year everyone, and for our first Hog Blog, Tara and myself owe a debt of gratitude to the people who have found us through the articles that Newton News kindly published for us, it has meant that as a small rescue we have really done very well and rescued, treated, rehabilitated and released approximately 55 prickly babies between April and October.

We currently have 22 in our homes now that will have to remain with us till the weather breaks in the spring. We have received some beautiful cards with donations enclosed, too many to name individually, so we take this opportunity to thank the following people who have helped us with either monetary donations or goods to sell on our hedgehog car boot stall. Margaret, who kindly called with some bric-a-brac and a £10 donation; Peter and Terri who found Willow and gave £20; Linda, Mickey, Sinead and Jonathan for the beautiful Christmas card and £20 off Jonathon for the hoggies; June Heron and Will for their efforts with raising money for us and some items to sell; Elaine and Sadie from Aycliffe Village, and finally we can't forget Bethany at Sore Paws, and her mum, for making and selling bandanas, all proceeds go to our rescue centre. We are overwhelmed by the kindness of everyone, it helps us help these hedgehogs, goodness knows they need all the help they can get. Finally, we would like to show you our latest addition to Prickly Haven Rescue Centre, Margaret at Bewick Crescent found this little one in her garden on a Sunday afternoon, most rehabs are full at this time of year because of over wintering little ones now till April. Tara went above and beyond so we could squeeze her in and she's beautiful isn't she, because she came in Christmas weekend we have named her Mary - she is very happy here and enjoying being warm in a comfy bed with nice food that Sonia donated; with the other hoggies who are also happy and healthy. Margaret, thank you for alerting us because she would have surely died without your assistance. **Wishing you all a very happy, healthy and prosperous 2021.**



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# 30 Do-Able Personal Climate Actions

Dear Sir,  
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However, is it true that there are things that people can do at an individual level to help abate climate change. So here is a list of 30 CLIMATE-FRIENDLY ACTIONS you might feel able to do. They are arranged by cost; those in the top half will actually save you money:

1. Defrost your fridge and freezer.
2. Be more thorough at recycling.
3. Go through your wardrobe and give to charity shops all those decent clothes you are never going to wear.
4. Stop buying bottled water.
5. Register to vote, and vote for candidates who are climate-activist.
6. Whenever possible, ditch the commute and work from home.
7. Get a smart meter installed.
8. Contact the DCC Warm Homes site and ask for free advice on home energy measures.
9. If physically able, walk more - especially as an alternative to short local car journeys.
10. More home-cooked meals - less fast food and fewer takeaways.
11. Reduce food waste by better meal-planning.
12. Significantly reduce the amount of meat you eat.
13. Prefer no-fly/ closer-to-home holidays.
14. When replacing an appliance, check the energy efficiency rating.

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15. Change your gas and electricity to a 'green' provider such as Octopus or Bulb.
16. 'Rewild' part of your garden/ stop using chemical insecticides / grow plants which will attract pollinating insects.
17. Complain to your supermarket about excessive packaging/ prefer products in biodegradable packaging.
18. Boycott products with palm oil.
19. Look at where your food is coming from; reduce your food miles.
20. Fit draught excluders to your letter box, windows and external doors.
21. Are all your lights low energy or LEDs yet?
22. Plant a tree - or pay the Woodland Trust to plant one for you.
23. Get a better insulation jacket for your immersion heater.
24. Gardeners: buy a water-butt and a composter.
25. When was your heating boiler last serviced?
26. Try to avoid clothes made of synthetic materials - where unavoidable, wash them in a bag to catch the microfibres.
27. Fit timer switches to lights such as downstairs toilet and garage.
28. Fit a remote control for your heating such as Nest or Hive.
29. Buy solar panels, and associated battery storage.
30. If you have a driveway, and it is time to renew your car, buy an EV.

**Clir John D Clare**  
(DCC Climate Champion)

# Mindless Vandalism Continues in West Ward

Dear Sir,  
Over the last week or so, the thick, mindless idiots, who get a cheap thrill from harassing the residents of Newton Aycliffe, have took it upon themselves to splatter my living room windows with stone-filled mud pies on several occasions.  
It just so happens that two of the gang responsible were on the front page of the Newton News at the beginning of December, "making Christmas Wreaths to give to those that they had harassed".  
Was this a cheap publicity stunt or is it just that they are trying to become infamous, maybe they are starting their wreath list for next Christmas already?  
I was missed off the list last year!  
Name and address supplied



# Generosity at Greenfield Community College

The community spirit at Greenfield Community College has been outstanding throughout the year, with students, staff and families showing their generosity for charities and national initiatives, raising funds and giving up their time voluntarily.



The response to the food bank collection this year was exceptional and demonstrates the sense of community at the heart of the school. A big thank you for all those that have donated and made a difference in these challenging times. The donations were delivered to Shildon Alive for distribution as part of their valuable community scheme. Greenfield Community College are committed to supporting their students, staff and families in positive ways and provide opportunities to support students to reach their full potential. Visit the website [www.greenfieldschool.net](http://www.greenfieldschool.net) for more details and to find links to online learning resources and information or contact the school via the school email [contact@greenfieldschool.net](mailto:contact@greenfieldschool.net)

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## Programme of Possibilities at Greenfield Arts

The spring programme at Greenfield Arts is full of new possibilities with opportunities to develop curiosity, take part in high quality arts activities and support positive projects that encourage us to explore the world around us and wonder what else might be possible. We are looking forward to celebrating community spirit in the Shout 'bout Shildon project. This project, supported by Shildon Town Council and the Heritage Lottery fund, involves Artist Paul Theo Murray and Greenfield Arts working alongside community groups across Shildon to notice the positive community spirit in the area and celebrate this through creativity.

The insights will be reflected in new artistic outcomes this spring that will be shared publicly across the town, celebrating the positive attributes of the community spirit even through times of adversity. The project examines moments of challenge and of opportunity that have presented themselves throughout time, and more recently, and ways in which individuals and communities have proactively responded.

The Greenfield Gallery is expected to host thought provoking and dynamic exhibitions that support artists and offer unique opportunities to access high quality art in our community. We are delighted to begin the season with the Finders, Seekers exhibition commissioned by Greenfield Arts and created by artist Bethan Maddocks. It is a paper installation that has been created as a result of the many creative community conversations that have taken place across 2020.

Spring is a great time to develop or learn new skills and we are continuing to offer quality workshops to inspire learning and creativity. This season activities, in person and online, include wellbeing workshops, language refreshers, photography and sketching opportunities to name a few and free family focused activity too.

Greenfield Arts are committed to offering creative opportunities and also have bespoke studio spaces that have state-of-the-art facilities, supporting artists, freelancers, creative practitioners and creative groups throughout the region. If you would like to know more about the facilities and opportunities that are available please visit [www.greenfield-arts.co.uk](http://www.greenfield-arts.co.uk) for further details or speak to our friendly team.



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## Aycliffe Business Supports Salvation Army Campaign



Aycliffe Business Park's LED Supply & Fit has supported the Salvation Army's drive to provide Christmas gifts for children who might otherwise have nothing to open on Christmas morning.

A mother herself, Stephanie Lane, director of LED Supply & Fit was inspired to get involved with the campaign after hearing that fewer companies were taking part due to Covid. That, combined with the effect that last year has had on so many people, spurred her into action.

Stephanie said: "The campaign has been running for a number of years, but I hadn't heard about it on the radio this year. I decided to look into it, discovered that fewer companies were getting behind it and I wanted to help. I couldn't bear the thought of any child not having a present on Christmas Day."

LED Supply & Fit and G & B Electrical Contractors both contributed, and Steph contacted both the leadership team of the business park and local newspaper to spread the word. It was also shared across social media.

Steph continued: "Newton Press shared the appeal in the Newton News which caught the eye of many local people who were just so generous. We had people bringing in all sorts of toys, treats and even some beautiful hand knitted hats. We're so grateful to everyone for their support."

Darryn and Karen Hook, church leaders from Sanctuary 21 in Durham, a Salvation Army church, collected the items ready to distribute within the local communities of Newton Aycliffe and Shildon.

Darryn said: "We're so grateful to the businesses and individuals who have worked so hard to bring this together, both right here at LED Supply & Fit and across the country. After one of the most difficult years in many people's living memory, these donations will make a profound difference to people who might have faced the prospect of a Christmas Day filled with nothing."

LED Supply & Fit would like to thank Gary Rudd, managing director of G & B Electrical Contractors for his donation, Newton News and Aycliffe Business Park for raising awareness of the campaign, Amy Lowes from LED Supply & Fit for collating and organising the donations, and the local people who donated so generously.

Stephanie concluded: "We are already planning to be involved with the campaign next year – I want to help ensure that every child has a present to open at Christmas. In 2021 we'll start earlier; I'd love to see us collect twice as many gifts and be able to help an even greater number of families." For more information on LED Supply & Fit, see: <https://www.ledsupplyandfit.co.uk>

Photo: (L-R) Darryn & Karen Hook, church leaders from Sanctuary 21, LED Supply & Fit director Stephanie Lane and Digital Marketing Apprentice, Amy Lowes

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# Businesses Opportunities at Teesside Airport

By Paul Howell MP for Sedgfield

As your MP I want to flag up the opportunity for local businesses arising at Teesside Airport. Tees Valley Mayor Ben Houchen is calling on local business bosses to sign up to an event which will outline how they can join the efforts to overhaul Teesside International Airport.



The redevelopment of the airport includes new food and drink options, with the creation of new bars, two renovated executive lounges, a coffee shop and the return of duty free, as well as refurbishment of key areas of the terminal. Mayor Houchen is now inviting local businesses to a special event from 8am to 9am on January 12 so they can learn more about how they can bid for work on the terminal expansion.

The virtual event will talk through the plans and the work that is available for local businesses on these projects. Work is available for experts including shop fitters, mechanical and electrical contractors, bar fitters, commercial kitchen installers, and much more.

To register your interest in the free session, visit <https://bit.ly/388luUt> or search Eventbrite.co.uk for Teesside International Airport.

Mayor Houchen said: "Since we brought the airport back into public ownership, and saved it from closure, we've been making sure it benefits not only our business passengers and holidaymakers, but also our fantastic local companies. This way, we're doing our bit to keep the money we spend in our region and put it in the pockets of local people."

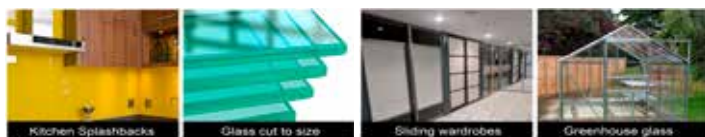
"Over the past months we've announced that Loganair will begin operating a series of domestic flights from next year and Balkan Holidays will expand its summer service twice-weekly to Bourgas, Bulgaria. The UK's biggest holiday company, TUI, is also set to start a Majorca service from Teesside in 2022. And to top it off we've secured a low-cost carrier in Ryanair, offering services to Alicante and Majorca from June 2021. Because of this, now is the right time to invest in our airport so that it can handle the increase in passengers that will be going through our airport terminal."

"In the past, we've gone local for our IT services, accountancy needs, security and more, with a lot of the arrivals renovation work carried out by Stockton-based MJ Joinery. But as we look to bring the airport into the 21st century, we're going further than ever to redevelop our airport and bring mothballed areas back into use, meaning lots more exciting opportunities for companies to work with us."

"This is the perfect opportunity for local companies, across the whole host of trades that we'll need, to discover more about the vision for the future and how they can be part of the transformational change at our airport."



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# N.A.F.C. JUNIORS

Aycliffe **U8 Whites** played against Leam Rangers Yellow. A really difficult game for Aycliffe but they battled for every ball. Aycliffe's goal was scored by William. MOTM was awarded to Harry Cain.

An exciting final game of the year for Aycliffe **U9 Blacks** v NSG Tigers. The game started really well with both teams having chances but not taking them, NSG eventually took the lead late in the first half from a scrambled finish in the box. NSG quickly added another, Aycliffe did not get disheartened and Rhys scored a quick reply. An unfortunate deflected free kick gave NSG another but once again Rhys got Aycliffe back in to the game with a fine finish. Aycliffe showed great spirit to keep the pressure up with Benjamin scoring a great goal in the final 10 minutes and with only a few minutes to go the ball came loose to Rhys who took his opportunity getting a deserved hat trick as a result. Well done to the stand in keepers Charlie and Max, MOTM was awarded to Rhys.

Aycliffe **U9 Juniors** played the final game of their mini league at home to league leaders Boro Rangers City who have not dropped a point in the league. Aycliffe started well and a fantastic ball across the box from Jack saw Jonah open the scoring. Boro Rangers pulled one back but some more great play from Aycliffe and Jack scoring saw Aycliffe go into half time smiling. As expected Boro came at Aycliffe and both teams were creating some great chances. Boro added more goals, but then there was great link up play between Jonah and Jack for Jack to get his second of the game. Aycliffe battled all game playing some great football and with a superb last minute save from Joel the game ended. A fantastic ending for Aycliffe with that result. MOTM was awarded to Jack.

In development Charlie scored his first goal for the club.

Aycliffe under 11s were away against Nunthorpe Athletic. Aycliffe started well on a surprisingly good pitch, unfortunately the pressure from Athletic finally broke Aycliffe's back line and Athletic showed why they have only lost once this season by scoring goals before half time. It was Thomas's first game as our official club captain and in goal he pulled off some amazing saves. Oscar defended so well and James was excellent again in his new midfield role, working really hard. Aycliffe moved the ball a lot better with Callum, Ethan and Alex all getting further up the pitch and creating chances. Thomas was unlucky as a shot he pushed onto the bar fell to the Athletic striker who made it a goal. Athletic went on to score another. A fantastic effort in the second half from everyone and Jamie was absolutely brilliant at the back. MOTM was awarded to Jamie.

**U12 Whites** played just their third game this season, away to Darlington Young Bulls. Looking to get their first points of the season Aycliffe started brightly but DYB pressed forward in numbers overwhelming Aycliffe. DYB went into the break leading 2-0. In the second half Jake managed to score by capitalising on a goal kick error from DYB's keeper which gave Aycliffe a lift but DYB continued to press. A super long high shot put them 3-1 up and they added a fourth. Jake finished from a corner to make it 4-2 final score to DYB. Man of the match was Joshua who was solid in defence throughout.

Aycliffe **U12s Blacks** against Durham City Tigers. First half Durham City Tigers dominated; they had an early penalty awarded which came off the post and Harry saved the second follow up. Aycliffe took a corner which whipped off the crossbar and Aycliffe's defender Lewis blasted it in to the net. Aycliffe came out strong in the second half and managed to grab an early goal but, with 10 minutes to go, Durham scored from a counter attack but Aycliffe managed to hang on and won 2-1. Both teams struggled with the pitch condition and were denied goal chances. Aycliffe's goal keeper Harry and the away keeper were both excellent, goal scorers were Lewis and Keaton with an assist from Steven. MOTM was awarded to Luke.

Aycliffe **U13s Whites** headed to league leaders Whinney Banks for their last game before the Christmas break. Whinney Banks played some excellent football in the first half and scored three goals in quick succession. Aycliffe were outstanding in the second half, pressing high and dominating the ball, however, it took them until the 65th minute to score. Ollie, who was playing at CB at the time, received the ball from a throw in on the right hand side, took a touch and lobbed the keeper from way out. An excellent second half performance from Aycliffe which if they had started this way would have resulted in a different score line. Whinney Banks added a 4th late on. MOTM was awarded to Brad. Whinney Banks 4-1 Aycliffe Whites.

## Finders, Seekers at Greenfield Arts



Greenfield Arts are excited to welcome artist in residence Bethan Maddocks who has been working with Greenfield Arts and our wider community to explore the idea of possibility, and create work for the upcoming exhibition 'Finders, Seekers'. Bethan is a visual artist and is renowned for working with paper structures and creates site specific ephemeral installations that engage audiences. The project has created opportunities for students from Greenfield Community College, the Men's Cree group and the wider community who have participated in and informed the project. The exhibition will run from Thursday 14 January to Wednesday 3 March and will inspire creativity, questioning and curiosity. The creative conversations it draws upon asks questions such as "what change would you like to wake up to tomorrow". Greenfield Arts provides high quality arts and creative opportunities to encourage us all to explore ideas and express ourselves. Visit the website on [www.greenfield-arts.co.uk](http://www.greenfield-arts.co.uk) to find out about more about our programme and our creative spaces.



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***I will start by wishing all of you a safe and healthy 2021.***

When I wrote the column before Christmas I had hoped that by now we would be talking about easing restrictions, but the new variant of Covid-19 has put paid to that, for now. As you will know, we are now in effective lockdown again and it is imperative that we all follow the new rules.

I have had many calls and discussions on this with various ministers over the last few days. These have been primarily with the Secretary of State for Health and his team but also with the Education ministers. The first briefings from the Health team were around the details of the presentations you will have seen on TV, and the reasons underlying why these measures have proved necessary. Looking at the regional graphs we have all seen it is clear that where the new variant has taken hold it has very quickly infected at an exceptional rate. Whilst the North East and the South West seem to have been least affected so far, the new variant is still present and we need to do everything we can to stop the spread.

We then had discussions with Nadhim Zahawi who is the minister responsible for the vaccination roll out. These supported the Prime Ministers proposition that we will target, that everyone in the top 4 priority groups will have been offered a vaccine by mid February.

I have seen information that implies that for every 20 people vaccinated in category 1 it is likely that we save a life, increasing to needing 600 to be vaccinated to save a life in category 4 but to 47,000 to save a life in the last group in category 10. This clearly shows why the vaccination plan is sequenced as it is. Particularly when you then consider that of the total deaths so far 36% of them were in category 1 alone and 88% were in the top 4 groups.

Whilst I understand the calls for teachers and others to be prioritised, if you look at the project from a saving lives perspective then the categories should be followed. I would encourage everyone to have the vaccine as soon as it is offered. Nadhim and his team have put in place a roll out capability that is greater than the rate the vaccine can be supplied, so the challenge is currently with the producers to supply as quickly as possible. I am told that the two key measures we need to see, moving in the right direction, to allow a release of the tiers are hospital pressures and death rates, clearly improvement in these metrics is driven by a combination of the comprehensiveness of the vaccine roll out and the adherence by people to the lockdown rules, so please do your part.

The discussions we had with the Education ministers were around what is happening to our young people in schools and colleges. We have seen the need to cancel most exams and move to largely on line learning for students. There are many different situations for different students so if you need any clarity do not hesitate to contact us. I want to recognise the extraordinary efforts of our teachers at this time. They have had a very challenging time with the need to continually evolve guidelines. Their efforts to maintain online learning and simultaneously physically teach our more vulnerable children, and those of key workers, are incredibly important over the coming weeks and they have my complete respect and thanks for everything they do.

It is also appropriate to mention key workers at this time, remember they are everywhere from our front line emergency staff to supermarket shelf stackers and from delivery drivers to refuse collectors. Please respect and thank them all in the jobs they are doing, it is their efforts in particular that will help us get through the next phase of the pandemic.

Finally for this week I wanted to mention what was supposed to be the big issue in this Parliament. When I was elected, Brexit was the primary point of discussions. As you also know we very quickly "Got Brexit Done" but then entered a transition period whilst the trading arrangements with the EU were negotiated. It was said that it was impossible to get a deal that had no tariffs or quotas but still freed us from the European Court of Justice. Well, that "impossible" deal has been delivered and I am delighted with the outcome. For the first time since 2016 our businesses know the legal frameworks in which they will be working for years to come and they can plan accordingly. Whilst this has been happening Liz Truss, Secretary of State for International Trade, has been getting on with business and negotiated around 70 trade deals with countries around the world.

In summary, we have what are hopefully the final weeks of the pandemic to deal with now, but we also have the major positives of the vaccine roll out and the opportunities that we can carve out as a sovereign state to complement our European trade.

For now though, it's a case of **Stay Home, Save Lives, Protect our NHS.** Stay safe and look after you and yours.

Paul Howell, Member of Parliament for Sedgefield.

## Crafter's Companion Unveils Brand-New Studios



Crafter's Companion is celebrating the unveiling of a brand-new studio area for its global digital platform, Crafter's TV.

The new space in the North East of England, houses two state-of-the-art studios and a green room, in addition to pre and post production rooms.

With people spending more time at home this year, Crafter's TV has seen a surge in demand for its service.

The platform's international viewers have outgrown its UK viewers, with audiences tuning in from countries such as Germany, Australia, Canada and the United States. The shows regularly experience viewers commenting at 3am in California, to after midnight in Australia.

The digital channel has created a bigger and better studio space than ever before, to meet the needs of its ever-growing online craft community.

Crafter's TV recently celebrated its first anniversary, after bolstering its programme to seven days a week, with two live shows every day. The platform has always held the unique position of being the only craft outlet to engage viewers 100 per cent of the time through live and constant conversation.

Now, with some creative features in the new studio, such as aspirational living environments, its talented team of on-air craft experts and presenters are set to take audience interaction to the next level, further immersing them into the live studio experience. The shows themselves enable viewers to access special offers on crafting, art and sewing products and aim to inspire and educate customers with their purchases and things that they already have at home.

In addition to Crafter's TV shows, the original studio has also been used to film for international partners, such as HSN in the US and QVC, allowing the business to continue showcasing its exciting products and launches at a time when travel has been prohibited. Creative director and company founder, Sara Davies, said: "Crafter's Companion has grown in a phenomenal way, since I established the company 15 years ago.

"Launching Crafter's TV was a huge milestone for us last year and it has gone from strength to strength. Our new studio is a very important step on our journey to bring our family of crafters together and it has taken a tremendous amount of hard work to realise our vision. Creating the new studio has been a team effort for everyone at Crafter's Companion and it is something for us to feel very proud of."

Jeni Santillo, head of broadcast operations, said: "Our Crafter's TV viewers have established a strong, supportive community, which this year is more important than ever. We are the only channel to have an ongoing conversation with our viewers throughout our shows, and that, coupled with the inspirational ideas, projects and advice that people have come to expect from Crafter's TV, has enabled us to grow significantly throughout the last year. A new studio is the perfect thing to support that growth, as we develop and look to our plans for the future."



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- Social Isolation

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 This is not an exhaustive list and there may be other recovery areas that need to be taken into consideration. Groups are permitted to apply for more than one grant, so long as one funding allocation is not reliant on another. Applications can be submitted for either capital or revenue funding (or both), and projects which include an element of capital spend are encouraged. If you need advice on the specific definitions for capital/revenue, please get in touch. Project proposals must also include a minimum of 5% match funding (either cash or in-kind, or a combination of both). Closing date is 5.00pm on Sunday 31 January 2021. All eligible applications will be assessed and ranked by a panel of GAMP Board members, to determine which projects will successfully be awarded funding. Prospective applicants should allow at least 12 weeks after the deadline for potential project start dates, to give sufficient time for our technical appraisal process. Please contact us for an application pack, or if you'd like further information telephone 07834 147211 or email: gampaap@durham.gov.uk

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# Defoe Court Senior Housekeeper Wins at the National Care Awards

Julie Loscombe, Senior Housekeeper at HC-One's Defoe Court Care Home in Newton Aycliffe, won the Care Housekeeper category at the prestigious 22nd National Care Awards 2020, held at a virtual award ceremony on Wednesday 25th November 2020.

Julie was nominated for the Care Housekeeper Award by Defoe Court's Home Manager, Sarah Todd, after showing great leadership skills during the coronavirus pandemic. Julie realised that Residents who were shielding could provide an extra challenge, so she worked with them to identify their issues and, where they wanted to, she supported them to safely do their own housekeeping. The judges of this category, Beverley McLoughlin from Ontex Healthcare and Jon Chapman from Pinders, chose Julie as the winner because as well as taking ownership of infection-control measures, working tirelessly to ensure Colleague and Resident safety, she has also helped other departments and arranged a variety of lockdown entertainment. Julie Loscombe, winner of Care Housekeeper category award, said: "I am extremely honoured to win this award, especially during these difficult times. I am lucky to work with an extremely hardworking and committed team at Defoe Court."

James Tugendhat, HC-One's Chief Executive Officer, commented: "Congratulations to Julie - this is a tremendous achievement and we are incredibly proud of her! We were thrilled to have two winners and six finalists at the National Care Awards 2020."

"Our success at this year's National Care Awards is a testament to the dedication of my Colleagues, even in the most challenging of times. They have truly gone above and beyond to provide the kindest care to Residents living in our care homes, as we strive to be



the first-choice care provider in each of the communities that we serve."

## Vane Road Xmas Jumper Competition



Mark Solan, from the Solan Conner Fawcett Charity, held a 'Design a Christmas Jumper Competition' for children in school. Vane Road Primary took part in this competition to design a Christmas jumper. Mark Solan was the person who hosted the competition, to help raise awareness about the awful disease cancer, and his fabulous charity 'The Solan Conner Fawcett Charity'. He has Charity shops in Spennymoor and Ferryhill. Mark helps lots of people and their families in the North East, fighting Cancer. 7 classes took part in the competition from Year 2 to Year 6. A winner was chosen from each class and the prize was a t shirt with their design on and a selection box.

Charley, Year 4

## Sudoku

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## Obituary

### Frederick Miller

26th December 2020  
Aged 80

Husband of the late Dorothy; Dad to Laz, Dawn, Sue, Debbie and Mark; much loved Grandad and much loved Great Grandad. Funeral to take place on Friday 15th January at Wear Valley Crematorium, Coundon at 4.30pm. Family only, due to restrictions.

### Alan Brown

27th December 2020  
Peacefully in hospital, aged 77 years.

Beloved husband of Carol; dear Dad of Darren, Martin and Keeley; Father-in-Law to Dawn, Suzanne and Colin; much loved Granddad and Great Granddad.

Due to current restrictions a private funeral will take place on Tuesday 12th January 2021, 1.30pm at Wear Valley Crematorium.

### John Leslie Stoddart

22nd December 2020  
After a long illness.

Much loved Husband of Jean; a devoted Grandad to Courtney and Jordan; a Son, Brother and friend to many.

Funeral on Tuesday 12th January, 11.30am at Wear Valley Crematorium. All welcome. At rest now.

### Isabelle Orton (Belle)

of Newton Aycliffe (Formerly of Bedlington)  
It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Belle who died peacefully on 29th December 2020, aged 95 years.

Most dearly loved and devoted Wife of the late Dennis Orton, treasured Mam and best friend of Carolyn, much loved "Mam" of Martin, cherished and proud Gran of Simon and Richie, the dearest Sister to Manie, Lil, Alice, John, Olive and Ernie and a very dear Auntie. Also, a good friend and neighbour to many.

Would family and friends please meet for a Service at Wear Valley Crematorium on Monday 18th January at 1.30pm.

Belle will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.  
Rest in Peace.

### Doris Butterfield

Passed away peacefully on Friday 25th December at Aycliffe Care Home, aged 92.

Much loved Mam of Keith and Lynne; loving Grandmother and Great Grandmother. Service to take place on 18th January at Durham Crematorium at 1pm.

### Patricia Hanson (nee Hood)

"Tricia"  
23rd December, suddenly, but peacefully at home, following an illness, aged 65 years.

Loving Wife of the late Dave; dearly loved Daughter to Frances; beloved Mother to David and Lisa; a much loved Sister, Mother-in-Law, Grandma, Auntie and friend.

Funeral Service to be held at St. Mary's Church at 11am on Friday 8th January followed by a private interment at Chilton Cemetery.

### Harold White

of Newton Aycliffe, formerly of Shildon, passed away peacefully on 18th December, aged 92 years.

Dearly beloved Husband of the late Betty; a much loved Dad to Vanda, John and Elizabeth; a treasured Grandad to Ashley, Robyn, Connor and the late Amie; adored Great Grandad; a loving Brother to Norman, Ida, Rita and the late Bernice and Bryan.

A private family funeral Service took place at Darlington Crematorium on Tuesday 5th January.

## Acknowledgement

### Edith Trotter

Passed away peacefully on 11th December, 2020.

The family would like to thank friends for their support and messages of condolence.

A special thank you to Bryan Shepherd of Whitehouse Funeral Service and Pam Lovelass for the lovely Service.

Thanks also to St Clare's Care Home. We would also like to thank everyone who generously donated to RNIB in memory of Edith.

### Myra Walker (nee Thorogood)

Passed away peacefully on 20th November, 2020.

Beloved Wife of the late Maurice Walker; loving Mum of Leslie, Kevin, Annette and Andrew.

We would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their support and messages of condolence. A special thanks to John Ruston for the lovely reading at the Service and the staff of the Coop Funeralcare in Newton Aycliffe for their professional and personal support throughout.

We would also like to thank everyone who generously donated to Macmillan Cancer Support in memory of Myra, as was her wish.

Many on the town may remember Mum from her years at Forbuys Newsagents, chatting with everyone and always with a smile. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her and now rests in peace after her 90 years well lived.

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## In Memoriam

### Mary Young

8th January 2016

Forever in our thoughts.

Love from David, Louise, Thomas, Joseph and Stan xxx

### Ray Parkinson

9th January

Jack Parkinson

21st February

Remembering my parents, who were amazing Parents, Grandparents and Great Grandparents. Love you both dearly. From your Daughter Brenda and Son-in-Law Ken

### Isaac Edwin Sanderson

28th December 2019

A year has passed since you left us to be with Mam. We miss you both so much and think about you both every day.

"A beautiful memory, dearer than gold, of a Father whose worth, can never be told. There's a place in my heart no one can fill, I miss you, Dad, and always will".

Love, Jackie, Ian, Robert, Janet, Ian, Ann, your Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren xxx

### Shane Smith

10th January 2015

Forever in our hearts and that's where you will stay.

We love and miss you Son, every single day. Thinking of you today and always.  
Mam and Dad xxxx

### Samantha Maddison

12th January 1994

We think about you always, we talk about you still. You have never been forgotten and you never will.

We hold you close within our hearts, and there you will remain. To walk and guide us through our lives, until we meet again.

Love always, Mam, Dad and Family

## Birthday Remembrance

### Noah Harry Wharton Peart

12th January 2007

Happy birthday Noah Love and kisses from Nana Daph xxx

### Noah Harry Wharton Peart

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Happy birthday Noah Remembered with love, forever and always. Lots of love, Granma xxx

### Noah Harry Wharton Peart

12th January 2007

Happy birthday Noah There's not a day goes by without a thought of you, we love and miss you so much. Our beautiful baby boy, happy birthday. Love, Mammy, Daddy, Morgan and Annie xxx

### Howard Walton

7th January 2019

When nights are cold and stars are few, I close my eyes and think of you.

A silent hope, a silent tear, a silent wish that you were here.

Love and miss you so much every day. Loving Wife Lori and all the family

### Laurence Green (Lol)

11th January 2003

Loved and remembered always. From Sue and also your Wallsend family xxxx

# Heighington FC Support Food Banks



Early in December, Rotary Newton Aycliffe received a call from Heighington Football Club. Their manager, David Brassell, told us, 'we have players from 6 years old to over 40s and it was the senior team members who wanted to do something positive to support others. A collection was soon organised and Ian Pearson, a player at the club, contacted Aldi who was only too happy to fulfil an order for food and other household supplies'.

The football club then wanted to donate the supplies to needy families and after a call to Stuart Howarth at Newton Press, it was then over to our Welfare Officer, Geoff Batchelor. He suggested the foodbank, Shildon Alive. They are open every day and cover communities in need throughout the area. On Saturday morning, 19th December, cars and vans turned up at the football ground in Heighington along with Paula Nelson, the co-ordinator from Shildon Alive. The goods were loaded up and taken to the foodbank storage areas for sorting and distribution by Paula and her volunteers.

David further commented, 'we have money left over and intend to buy toys, games and toiletries for older children as well as young ones and Paula is to advise us what is needed. Our intention is to hopefully do a similar run next year'.

A job well done guys. Thank you for giving your time and money to assist others. *Photo shows David Brassell, 2nd left with other club players and Paula 1st right.*

## Help Wanted

NASSL would like to wish all the pets, and owners, a very Happy New Year for 2021 and hope we can rehome more unwanted pets in the coming year. For information on pets needing homes please contact Pauline on 01325 321855 (cats and dogs).

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NASSL are feeding a large number of street cats in the north east, which we have had neutered, please visit the website wish-list page, if you can help with outside cat beds. We would like to thank all the people for their help and support during 2020 with all our appeals - thank you.

# Heighington AFC Report

## Escomb Warriors 0 vs Heighington AFC 6

We played our final match of 2020 and what a way to finish off, playing against Escomb Warriors the lads played their hearts out and ended up being the actual warriors on the pitch. Harry was super keeper, he just keeps getting better every week. His positioning and concentration was perfect today and to top it off he kept his first clean sheet. First half defenders, Watson, Yaley and Jay. All three were immense, keeping Escombs attackers extremely quiet. Helping start attack after attack with some excellent passing to the midfield.

Second half defenders of Ollie A, Benjamin and Watson. It was a seamless change around with the lads not allowing Escomb anytime at all on the ball.

Our midfielders of Cole, Coleby and Daniel ran the show. Non-stop running, winning every second ball and the passing was brilliant. Energy levels were through the roof with each of them not stopping running the whole match. Strikers Ted and Chapman both closing the ball down and working hard throughout. With their intelligent runs and skill on the ball they made the Escomb defenders worried the whole match.

Goals scored: Coleby 3 (2nd hat trick in the last two matches), Cole 1 (screamer into the top corner from 20 yards out), Ted 1 (tucked into the bottom corner from the edge of the box), Chapman 1 (direct from a corner).

MoM went to three players, Cole, Coleby and Watson. All three were the backbone of the victory with their hard work, skill and determination. Unfortunately this was Jay's final match for us as he is moving away from the area with his Mam. From everyone involved in the team, we wish him good luck in his big move and hope he continues his football journey. He will be missed by the whole team.

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