

Old Glossop Residents Association (OGRA)

Newsletter - Spring 2023



Dear Neighbour

As a resident of Old Glossop, you are automatically a member of OGRA, which exists to protect and – where appropriate – enhance residents' quality of life; to protect the physical, natural and cultural heritage of the village; and to help build a strong and caring community. Officers and an executive committee are elected at our Annual General Meeting in June.

We keep residents informed about matters affecting the community through our **Old Glossop Matters Facebook** page and our website: oldglossop.org

Old Glossop Christmas Market

Last year's was a huge success, raising funds for the community, Glossop Mountain Rescue and 3rd Glossop Scouts. Highlights included carol singing round the Christmas tree at the Old Cross and youngsters meeting Father Christmas on his sleigh, courtesy of Glossop Mountain Rescue. Visitors were able to buy from more than 30 stalls selling traditional crafts, handmade Christmas gifts and local produce as well as mulled wine and hot food.



Planning issues

We monitor the council website and alert residents about planning applications affecting the community, such as plans to build 52 homes on the Shire Hill Hospital site, through Facebook and our website. We hold public meetings, drop-in sessions, put leaflets through doors and speak at planning meetings.

Be Well Glossop, which works with community groups to find ways to help disadvantaged people break the habits of inactivity, isolation and loneliness, needs more volunteers. To find out how you can help, visit their website, bewellglossop.co.uk

We have put forward our views on how the new Local Plan for High Peak should be developed, reflecting residents' concerns. The council has to determine areas for future housing developments - we have highlighted the importance of assessing the impact on infrastructure and biodiversity in Old Glossop.

Want to find out more?

Come along to our next meeting on **Tuesday 9th May, 7.45pm in the Bull's Head**, when we'll update you on planning applications and how you can support community events.

Just pop in for a drink and a chat with no commitment - you'll be very welcome. Or drop us an email at ograplanning@gmail.com

Pensioners' lunch



Around 50 pensioners enjoyed catching up over Christmas lunch at the Queen's in December. Anyone who lives in Old Glossop, is retired and of State Pension age or above is welcome.

We give priority to those pensioners who live alone or struggle to get out. If you want to be invited to this year's lunch, or you know of someone who would like to join us, please email ograplanning@gmail.com

Stream Clean



Volunteers donned their wellies and bright outdoor clothes last November to help clean the stream which runs down Wesley Street in Old Glossop.

This work, which we aim to carry out each year, reduces the risk of flooding to the surrounding properties and maintains the natural flow of the river.