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Parks to be picture perfect for summer



PARK ART: Friends of Zetland Parks Mary Lee, Ian Cuthbert and John Lee at the site of the new installation.

PARKS across the borough are to be made 'picture perfect' for the summer after a number of successful funding bids by volunteer groups.

Zetland Park

AN outdoor picture gallery is to be installed at Zetland Park.

The artwork is has been devised by Friends of Zetland Parks and central to the installation will be a ground-mounted compass with art columns placed at each of its eight points.

The central column will have a weather vane designed on the Zetland Lifeboat.

Funding for the project has come from the Impetus Environmental Trust.

Locke Park Walk

A SENSORY walk will be created in the park with new steel and stone furniture.

The walk will be created thanks to funding allocated to Friends of Locke Park and is designed for people with some sensory limitations.

The Friends have looked at the history of the park to

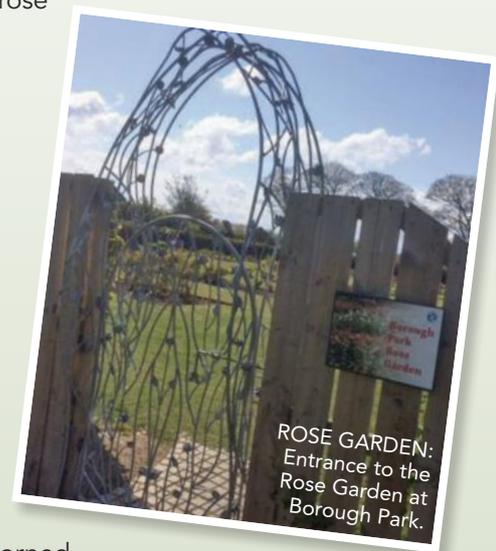
help with the design. Locke Park's original 1920s design included a 'braille walk' with braille plaques set in stone where the bowling greens are now. The new walk uses stone in cages and the idea is to capture various aspects of the old walk in an innovative way. New plaques in braille with positive messages on them will span the length of the walk.

Borough Park Rose Garden

FOLLOWING another successful award of external funding the Friends of Borough Park are carrying out further improvements to the Rose Garden at the park.

The addition of a rose arbour – a covered seated area – is planned to make a central feature. The arbour will be designed by the Friends group to commemorate a member of the group who recently passed away.

It will span 4.5 metres in width with an open canopy roof that will eventually be adorned with climbing roses.



ROSE GARDEN: Entrance to the Rose Garden at Borough Park.



SENSORY WALK: Friends of Locke Park Sue Tomkin, Brian Atkinson, Edith Moran, Ron Sherwood, Kate Butler, John Walshaw, Amanda McGee at the gateway to the sensory walk.

Welcome...

...to the summer edition of the this is Redcar and Cleveland magazine.

It is with caution that we welcome the very good news of the relaxing of restrictions caused by the coronavirus. It's exciting to see in these pages some of our wonderful outdoor summer events returning - restrictions permitting, of course - and the world beginning to open up again. Let's have a great summer - but keep working together to make sure we keep this virus under control.

We hope you all visit Kirkleatham Walled Gardens which is due to open its doors for the first time in more than 30 years after a spectacular transformation, if Covid rules allow. Not only will we have one of the finest gardens in the whole region but it will attract tens of thousands of visitors and create employment. We wish everyone involved every success.

Developments to improve Loftus Town Centre are very exciting and it is heartening to see other development projects, including The Regent and some of our parks, progressing so

well. More projects are in the pipeline for all areas of the borough. Watch this space.

We're always delighted when the unsung heroes of our community are given credit they so deserve, be it unpaid carers looking after loved ones, our wonderful foster carers and those going the extra mile to promote and support mental wellbeing. They all deserve all of our thanks.

We urge you to grab the opportunity to take the chance to take part in the survey. Your responses have a direct impact on policy and how the council is run.

Finally, we would like to wish you all a fantastic summer. Have fun and stay safe!

Councillor Mary Lanigan
Council Leader

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Deputy Council Leader

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BEACH LIFE: Saltburn and Redcar beaches have received environmental awards.

Alice goes from super-shy girl...to UK youth ambassador!

A YOUNG woman who was once so shy she needed a trained youth worker to come with her to a Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) meeting has been chosen for a prestigious ambassador role.

Alice Hutchinson, 21, of Redcar, was featured in *this is Redcar & Cleveland* three years ago after she achieved a Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award.

For Alice the achievement was very special because she had been too nervous to attend DofE meetings and her anxiety levels were such that DofE youth worker Donna Leighton had to accompany her to early DofE get togethers.

Slowly, as she did more and more with DofE, her confidence grew and Alice has recently earned a First Class degree in Physical and Outdoor Education from Leeds Beckett University.

Now she has been named as one of just 20 Duke of Edinburgh Centenary Youth Ambassadors in the country. The one-off programme involves 20 remarkable young people coming together from across the country to design campaigns and

programmes to help other young people gain confidence as we emerge from Covid.

Elaine explained that she got in touch with Alice when she learned of the role. "I knew she'd be perfect," she said. "Alice understands the value of building confidence and the huge impact a scheme like the DofE Awards can have. Alice and I did interviews for Tyne Tees TV and Global Radio after Prince Philip died and she shone, full of confidence. I could not be more proud."

Alice, a former pupil at Sacred Heart school in Redcar has a place on a PE teacher training course lined up for September. She explained she

submitted a video to a national panel about her story at Elaine's prompting.

She said: "I'm really pleased to get the role but now I want it to really mean something and make a difference for other young people like me who just need to boost their confidence. After Covid and so many people being in lockdown at a crucial part of their life, it is more important than ever."

Find out more about the Duke of Edinburgh Awards by contacting Elaine Buckby, on 01287 634332, 07748332921 or elaine.buckby@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk

THEN: Alice Hutchinson at 18, a proud winner of the Duke of Edinburgh Gold.



NOW: Alice at 21 after being named as one of just 20 'Centenary Ambassadors' to help young people following the pandemic.

All ready to grow!

THE historic Kirkleatham Walled Garden is expected to open next month – restrictions permitting – after a multi-million pound transformation.



Elior, a national business with experience of running venues across the country, has been contracted to run the Grade II-listed gardens at Kirkleatham Estate, near Redcar. It's hoped it will open in mid-July.

The historic venue will be one of the region's finest gardens and there

will also be a restaurant and café and shop - with produce grown in the gardens and home baked favourites to take home - and a 350 seat events pavilion.

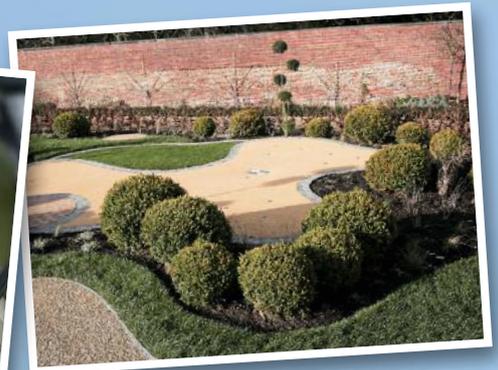
There will also be a horticultural and catering training facility and people will be able to access the centre's 300-space car park from a new link road off the A174.

The gardens were closed for more than 30 years before the major refurbishment and it is expected that at least an extra 30,000 visitors a year will be attracted to the area.

Funding has come from the Tees Valley Combined Authority, National Lottery Heritage Fund, the Coastal Communities Fund and the council.



Information on the opening, if Covid-19 restrictions continue to be relaxed, will be available on the council's website at www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk



Keep checking Kirkleatham Walled Garden's social media accounts at Twitter on @KirkleathamWG or Facebook/Instagram on Kirkleathamwalledgarden for some exciting opening offers.

WE CARE YOU CARE.

Our heroic unpaid carers are now getting more support – here are just two of their stories.

CARERS can now access a 'one stop shop' information and advice website and Facebook page thanks to organisations across the South Tees coming together.

'We Care You Care' aims to provide unpaid carers with accessible and relevant information and advice on support available.

Across Redcar and Cleveland there are an estimated 16,000 unpaid carers, including children, looking after family, partners or friends because of illness, frailty, disability, mental health problems or addiction.

Ann and Jeffrey tell their story of care

ANN Walker first became a full time carer for her father in 2008. Now she provides care for her husband, Jeffrey.

The grandmother, 77, from Redcar, explained she and Jeffrey made the decision in 2006 to retire in and return home to help Ann's sister provide care for her father. Ann also became her husband, Jeffrey's, full-time carer after he suffered from a stroke.

Ann did not recognise that she was a carer, she was a daughter and a

wife and did not feel that there was an alternative option to her providing the care. She said: "When I made my wedding vows, I meant them, in sickness and in health, this was the commitment I made."

A care agency visits Jeffrey and Ann twice a week with the aim of providing Ann with some time to herself. Ann was also referred to the Age UK Teesside Time Out Service. The befriending service provides a volunteer befriender for the cared for person allowing the carer to have a break from their caring role. The service quickly identified that both Ann and Jeffrey were experiencing isolation and loneliness and were able to also offer Ann a befriender.

Talking about the impact on the couple of the pandemic, Ann explains:

"The pandemic has affected us both in many ways. We have barely left our home since the start of the pandemic which has been very isolating and challenging."

Ann and Jeffrey have had their Covid-19 vaccines now and are looking forward to being able to have picnics on the moors, see children and grandchildren again and welcome help and support back into their home.

When asked what her advice would be to other carers, Ann said:

"Take any help that you can get. I was a bit stubborn in the earlier days and tried to do everything myself, determined not to ask for help, which has led to permanent effects on my own health".



CARING COMMITMENT: Carer Ann Walker with her husband Jeffrey at Locke Park, Redcar.



KINSHIP CARER:
Carer Angela
Peirson at Locke
Park, Redcar.

Meet Angela - a real life Supergran

ANGELA Peirson started providing care for her grandchildren after her adult children could no longer provide the care they needed

"I just thought of myself as their grandparent," said Angela, 58, of Redcar, "I never saw myself as a carer even though at times it was a struggle.

"I do all the things that a mother would do but it can be different to bringing up my own children as times have changed.

"I don't get to be the grandparent who they see for visits and treats, I am also the parent who has to set ground rules and often didn't have the time or energy to be that typical grandparent."

Angela joined a local carers group that supports kinship carers in Redcar. They have a project funded through

Sport England which supports families in Redcar and Cleveland called Kinship Active so this and Redcar Kinship Carers has provided Angela with peer support, access to essential items and advice as well as days out and access to low-cost activities.

Angela added: "I received an award from Kinship Active for the most motivated carer and received a three-month gym membership from Everyone Active which helped me to appreciate the importance of keeping fit and healthy.

"I have also received support from Carers Together, The Link and the Redcar and Cleveland team. We Care You Care has lots of information to know where to go for help when you need it."

Asked what advice she would give someone who finds themselves in a carer role, Angela said:

"Don't be frightened to ask for help because you're not alone and the best thing I did was to go along to the Redcar carers group to meet other carers who are now my friends."

Redcar & Cleveland Council recognises the huge impact that the Coronavirus pandemic has had on the lives of unpaid carers, who have often gone above and beyond to keep their friends and loved ones safe.

If you know an unpaid carer who has provided valuable support to a friend or family member during the pandemic who you believe deserves special recognition then the Council would like to hear their story.

Please contact the council at carerstories@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk and tell us what makes them so extraordinary. The carers you nominate may have their stories featured in our next magazine and Council website and could receive a special gift from the local authority to thank them for all of their hard work.

The website www.wecareyoucare.info helps people who are looking after a loved one recognise they are in a caring role and makes them aware of local blogs, carers rights information, wellbeing advice, Covid-19 information and much more. The Facebook page www.facebook.com/wecareyoucarelocal shares information relevant to local carers including activities, services and offers. Anyone with queries or who wants to discuss ways of working together should email hello@wecareyoucare.info

Meet the everyday heroes caring for kids

BECOMING a foster carer is hugely rewarding and makes a real and lasting difference to young people's lives. Here, three families tell how welcoming a young person into their home has changed their lives for the better.

Caring couple: Reece and Nicola

AFTER working with children with complex needs for 20 years, Reece Porritt was inspired to go even further.

"I teach children excluded from mainstream school and it's this which inspired me to think about fostering," said Reece, of Marske. "Sometimes when you work with a pupil at school you think, 'I wish I could have worked with you just a year or so earlier and not just to teach - I know I could have made a difference'."

Reece, who works at a Pupil Referral Unit, and wife Nicola, 47, who also works full-time, have two children of their own, aged 10 and 17, and the whole family has embraced fostering.

"Our first was a 13-year-old girl, for weekend respite, and we were all just devastated to see her go," said Reece. "The second was a boy who was a bit more troubled and would go missing and didn't understand why he couldn't be with his parents. I ended up staying with him outside of the area for three weeks, but it meant we all knew he was safe."

Next was a teenager who had been discovered at Teesport. "It was an education," said Reece. "There's language issues and a different religion - but he was really respectful and his smile lights up the room, a genuine lad."

Award winners: Mike and Lian

IT'S hard to believe Mike and Lian Cox – current holders of Redcar and Cleveland's 'Foscar' (foster care) award – once considered themselves failures.

"We thought, 'well we have three kids of our own, we don't need training,'" said Mike, a full-time foster carer from Brotton. "Boy, did we get that wrong! And when it didn't work out like we thought it would, we thought we were failures."

Mike and Lian were running the Fine Food sandwich shop in the village when they became foster carers in 2018. "We had a lad who came to us, but he got into trouble and it ended up not working out. We were close to giving up. But we hadn't failed. We'd given him a home, kept him safe, given him a couple of life lessons, some good



AWARD: Mike and Lian Cox

memories in his childhood. That's not failure."

Lian, a teaching assistant, agrees: "We had a message from our second foster child, who stayed with us a long time. She said, she wanted some comfort and was making 'Mike's chilli'. She had a happy memory of making chilli with him and was recreating it. It's a small, everyday thing – but it's an example of how you give them little things to cope with life.

"When we got the Foscar Award it felt great, you think, 'well we must have done something right to get this recognition'. It is an extremely important job. A chance to make a big difference."



CARING: Reece and Nicola Porritt

New carers: Geoff and Stuart

FOR Geoff and Stuart Norton, it was an ordinary family life – especially providing a home for Geoff’s daughter - which made them consider fostering.

Geoff, 48, a taxi-driver from Redcar, said: “Fostering was something we had discussed in the past, but this seemed like the perfect opportunity. We discussed it with our daughter first and it was something she absolutely embraced. She’s a bit older now, 16, and she’s very involved, which is fantastic.”

Stuart, 31, a betting shop manager, said: “We got an emergency placement one Friday evening. It was two lads, 12 and 16, who had been found at Teesport. They spoke no English and only had the clothes on their back. We had to dash off to get them some warm clothes and something to eat.

“They were very courteous and respectful, and it was very interesting, although there was a lot of Google Translating going on. We got lots of hugs when they moved on. You just hope they’re going to be OK.”

Geoff added: “We have a lad with us now, on short term placement who is 16. “On paper, he did look tricky – but the paper and the reality are very different things in this case.



NEW CARERS: Geoff and Stuart Norton

He’s polite, a really nice lad. A lot of children just need a little help and support; someone on their side.

“If you can provide a decent, loving home and some guidance, you could change a young person’s life. What could be more rewarding than that?”

Could you give them a home?

MEET the brothers who need a home.

We are currently foster-family finding for Dylan* and Leo*. They are brothers aged nine and seven who need a foster-family who can commit to them on a long term basis.

Both boys are very active and enjoy lots of different sports like running and football. They are also really creative and like to colour in, craft and make things, do jigsaws and play games. They can be competitive with each other and they need a foster carer who is patient but also has firm boundaries and can help them make sense of their emotions.

Leo really likes to keep his bedroom tidy whereas Dylan is a bit messier and needs reminding to put things away. Both boys really like it when adults praise them.

**Names have been changed.*

Financial support, full training and extensive support is available to anyone becoming a foster carer. Contact the fostering team on 01642 444087 or foster@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk

Alternatively, could you offer a home to an older teenager or young person? Financial payments are available for those who have room for a young person aged 16 and over. Call 01642 488433 or email Susanne.rhodes@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk

Siblings get a 'forever family'

COUPLE Matthew and Natalie* have adopted siblings, a boy aged 4 and his one-year-old sister. Read their story below.

MATTHEW and Natalie decided to adopt after trying for a baby didn't happen naturally for them. Although IVF was an option, they decided that there were already so many children in need of a forever family, so they focussed instead on exploring adoption.

Natalie says: "I worked in education and had seen that there were so many children in need already, so rather than go through the emotional anguish of IVF we decided adoption was the right path for us and so we began our journey to starting our family."

Matthew adds: "Initially I had only thought about adopting one child, I did think adopting siblings might be a bit much for us but Natalie had always wanted more than one. It was during stage 2 that we thought about this more and we agreed we would go for siblings."

The couple, who live in the borough, went through the assessment and approval process and were shown the details of a sibling group of a boy and girl.

Matthew recalls: "We were shown a

video of our son experiencing rain for the first time, he had never played out in the rain before. He was scared at first, then his worry turned to pure joy, he was jumping and playing, catching the raindrops on his tongue, it was just amazing to watch and we registered our interest soon after"

Natalie remembers the first time they met their children "It was our daughter's first birthday party, it was so strange but so exciting meeting them for the first time, we can't really describe it but it's probably the closest thing to birth we'll experience, it was the birth of our family

"The bond our children share has been evident from day one. The first thing our little girl wants in the morning is a cuddle from her big brother. If she is ever unsettled, it's her brother who she goes to for comfort. He'll hold her hand in the car and she'll immediately calm down and now she's a bit older



she's started to try and offer her brother comfort when he's upset, she'll bring him random objects to try and pacify him as he has done for her with toys, it's very sweet.

"I feel strongly about trying to keep siblings together. If I was split up from my birth parents and my sister was taken away from me, I'd feel as though I was being punished twice."

**Names have been changed but the account is real.*

To find out more about adopting visit adoptionteesvalley.org.uk

Local children need the chance for a life together with their brothers and sisters.

COULD YOU ADOPT SIBLINGS?

The latest figures from the Department for Education show that half of the number of children waiting to be adopted are part of a sibling group. It is also a sad fact that children in a sibling group wait 36% longer to be adopted.

In the Teesside area, there is a high need for adopters who will parent siblings together. We can support you in finding out more about whether adopting siblings could be right for you. While it may seem a big decision, many ordinary families, learn that there are many benefits to adopting siblings together including knowing they have the same family history and a genetic relationship with each other.

Vicky Davidson Boyd, Service Manager for Adoption Tees Valley says "Sibling relationships can be the longest lasting relationships in our lives and are a huge part of our identity. Keeping siblings together can provide the children with stability and resilience in times of change and uncertainty"

ATV is a friendly and welcoming adoption agency and will be there to support you from the start of your adoption journey and for as long as you may need it. If you have been thinking about adopting, we would love to have a chat with you. Monthly Virtual Information Evenings can be found via www.adoptionteesvalley.org.uk or you can request a call back online.

To find out more about adopting visit www.adoptionteesvalley.org.uk

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A day in the life...

'Streetz' Neighbourhood Youth Officer

"I HAVE the best job in the world... but it's not exactly nine to five," laughs Lee Waters, a Youth Worker who also manages Streetz project which directly engages with young people on the streets.

Lee and his team of 14 Streetz officers help identify and protect young people in danger of both sexual and criminal exploitation.

The team also makes sure they're safe and making the most of opportunities. They go out every Friday night, 52 weeks of the year and last year had 5,000 direct engagements with young people.

"The Streetz project is an important part of my job, but it's just part of it," says former soldier and army chef, Lee, a youth worker since 1996. "I also manage three youth and

community buildings, attend community safety meetings, deliver one-to-one sessions with young people, contact parents and carers and a lot else. I'm not complaining - I love it. I have the opportunity to make a difference to young people's lives."

Below is a typical Friday for Lee.

Morning

The days starts with Lee organising his three youth support teams on WhatsApp as he plans that night. At the same time various professionals are calling him with information about individual young people who might be at risk, or requests to direct his teams to certain areas.

Afternoon

Lee makes his way to Grangetown Youth and Community Centre where he may have one-to-one sessions with a young person, parent or carer. "One message I always stress is that any parent who is worried can refer the child. We get asked for help all the time from parents and guardians and I would say, 'don't wait for me or any other youth worker - if you're really worried, just get on the phone.'"

Early evening

It's a busy time, as Lee writes reports and takes bookings for the youth centres - and still may be receiving information from professionals and parents. "We had one case last week where a lad was being told to break into cars. They get money but when they try to stop they can get told they owe money and get threatened. They can get very frightened."

Late evening

Tonight Lee is out with a team in the Whale Hill area. This night they find a fire has been lit, although it is small and easily extinguished - all the officers have had training from the Fire Service. All the while, Lee is in touch with the other two teams, one in east Cleveland and one in Redcar and taking reports, typically of alcohol and cannabis misuse and rowdy behaviour.

It's after 10pm. Tired and hungry, Lee checks the other youth workers are all OK before, finally, heading home.



Worried? Get help

CHILD sexual and criminal exploitation are often hidden crimes.

In Redcar and Cleveland the Vulnerable, Exploited, Missing and Trafficked (VEMT) Practitioner Group meets each week to discuss cases and monthly to review those children already identified as being at risk.

The group brings partner agencies together to discuss these children

with Lee and his team but also agencies from Cleveland Police, education, health, children's social care, youth offending service, Barnardo's, community safety partnership and We Are With You drugs service.

Last year, the VEMT practitioners group received and reviewed 91 referrals within the year which is an increase of 49% on the previous year and 55 children were discussed due to their missing episodes. From this,

32 children were considered at risk and required a plan of work to keep them safe, which is an increase of 45% on the previous year.

If you are worried about a child call 01642 130700. For more information about ways to keep children safe from exploitation please visit: <https://stscp.co.uk/> To share concerns with police call 101 but if a child or young person is in immediate danger, call 999



School return gets top marks

CLASS TALK: We talked to Headteacher Tammy Cooper about how lockdown and returning to school has affected children and the vital importance of making sure your child attends class.

"The children wanted to be back, they just couldn't wait," says Miss Cooper, Head at South Bank Primary. "We had a 96% to 99% attendance. And the impact on the children of coming back to school has been truly amazing. Hearing the school filled with laughter and the excited chatter of children enjoying being back has been heart warming.

"Not that it was straightforward. There were higher levels of anxiety among the children which meant we had to take on an extra member of staff to help the team dealing with emotional and social wellbeing. The relationships the children had with each other and their teachers needed to be re-established. It was hard work – but it's paid off for so many of the children. It shows just how incredibly

FACT: Children with little absence from school are nearly three times more likely to achieve five or GCSE passes, including maths and English.

important going to school is for them and their parents."

Miss Cooper, who has been headteacher at the school for two years and lived in the region for 30 years, explains she engaged directly with the more anxious parents to encourage them to send their children back to school as the severest periods of lockdown came to an end.

A key benefit for the pupils has been working with the team from Kidz Konnekt, a local charity. The school has funding from Sport England to work with the charity to help the children build confidence and key life skills. "The staff are so good with the children," says Miss

Cooper. "They come in every day for half a day. We are building an 'outdoor classroom' and the children have planted a wooded area and are creating a sensory pathway which is wonderful for all our children but especially those with additional needs.

"The difference this work has had is astonishing. Right now Kidz Konnekt are working with our Year 6 children to make sure they are ready for Secondary School, giving them the confidence and skills. It involves a lot of outdoors skills where they get a direct sense of achievement. If they do well, they earn credits which they can 'spend' on buying a special activity.

"We've seen some dramatic improvements in confidence and independence. But to get that, you have to come to school in the first place, not just to learn literacy and numeracy and so on, but to learn the skills you need for life."

CREATIVES: Catherine Kay of Katnipp and Natalie Futo of Lielle Womenswear



Hub's the business for creative space

BUSINESSES at the Palace Hub in Redcar got creative to find the best way through lockdown.

Growing businesses like Natalie Futo's fashion enterprise Lielle Womenswear came together in a socially-distanced manner to find the best way to trade effectively during the restrictions of the past year.

The Palace Hub was designed for the creative sector with spaces for working and collaborating.

Natalie, 28, from Redcar, who hires a space within the Palace Hub with her sister and business partner Danielle, said: "We are very much about working together and helping other businesses where we can. Our business uses social media heavily, so we have offered advice to other businesses within The Hub to increase their engagement online.

"We decided to set up a Facebook page called The Palace Hub Creatives to better connect everybody in the building and beyond. The building is filled with other creative businesses, so once restrictions allow, we are going to set up a monthly coffee morning where

all Hub business owners can attend and chat all things business together. We absolutely love it at the Palace Hub."

Also based at the Hub is illustrator and YouTuber Catherine Kay, 29, from Redcar, who runs Katnipp, an illustration business which sells a range of prints and pins, and Babybluu, which sells art and keepsakes for expectant parents.

She said: "If anything good has

come out of lockdown it's that people trust the online market a little more now, which is a wonderful place for connecting small artists, craftsmen and small family-run businesses like ours – not just in the North East but across the whole of the UK and even the rest of the world!

"It's a really collaborative environment at the Palace Hub. We're making genuine connections, and businesses are helping each other."



SPACE: One of the shared spaces at the Palace Hub in Redcar

The Palace Hub is the home for the creative digital sector in Redcar and Cleveland, providing state of the art facilities to the emerging innovators and creatives of the region. To find out more about hiring a space, visit www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk or call 01642 444 100.

To join the Facebook group, search The Palace Hub Creatives on Facebook.



Work is progressing on the site earmarked for GE Renewable Energy's facility and, right, how the quay will look. Below right, the site of the coal handing facility after its demolition.

TEESWORKS COINS HIT DOORSTEPS AS £17,500 RAISED FOR CHARITY

People from across Redcar and Cleveland have received their commemorative Teesworks coins as their generosity has helped raise £17,500 for two local charities. The keepsakes also come with a booklet highlighting the history of the former Redcar steelworks from 1850 to now, a site which has shaped the town for generations.

More than 1,700 coins have been sold to date and bear the Dorman Long logo to mark the region's rich iron and steelmaking heritage. They have given local people the chance to take home a part of the site, now Teesworks, where work is ramping up to bring in new investment.

Thanks to the kind donations so far more than £17,465 has been raised for Redcar's Walk N Talk male mental health charity and the town's voluntary community group Ladies of Steel.

The cash is being put to good use, with Walk N Talk looking into buying

walking and camping equipment to help everyone in the group take part in all of its events. It is also seeking to raise the profile of the charity with an offline publicity campaign, take part in some charity challenges and the cash will help the group sponsor a bin and continue litter picks in the community.

Ladies of Steel's funding has helped it grow its events for the elderly, who might otherwise be isolated, especially in the face of the coronavirus pandemic. Cash will also be put towards renewing its youth club equipment for the vitally important service which offers a safe space for local youngsters outside of school.

The coins have also brought the charities closer together, with both taking part in a joint sponsored walk for a baby diagnosed with leukaemia.

The limited-edition coins are selling fast, but to get your hands on one, visit www.Teesworks.co.uk/buyacoin



WORK CONTINUES AT PACE ON SITE

The new, state-of-the-art £1million Teesworks Gatehouse has been officially opened, creating a welcome arrival for visitors and international investors.

Its unveiling came after a multimillion-pound deal was struck with global offshore wind manufacturer GE Renewable Energy to base its wind turbine blade manufacturing factory on Teesworks.

The factory will sit alongside a new port being created on the site and serve the Dogger Bank wind farm 80 miles off the coast.

Work kick-starting the remediation of the eastern area of Teesworks has also been taking place following a controlled explosion to level the site's old coal handling facility.

It is the first project in the Advanced Demolition Programme, which also includes works at the RDL Heavy Stores Facility and Tube City building.



Chloe Haley

Kick starting a career

YOUNG people from across the borough who were struggling to find work have been given a chance, thanks to a new scheme.

The 16 to 24-year-old job seekers have taken up six-month paid work placements at the council in order to gain vital work experience in their search for employment as part of the Government-funded Kickstart programme.

The first to be appointed was **Chloe Haley, 21, of Guisborough** (pictured above), who is working in the Highway Store team at Grangetown

Chloe, a former Army cadet, is a fully qualified bricklayer but struggled to find work after college. "We just didn't get enough experience actually on the job, which

is what employers want," she said. "I qualified last year and just couldn't find work.

"Eventually my Universal Credit work coach got me the interview and my new boss, Colin Johns, offered me the job that day. I just, said, 'what? really!' - I was so shocked when he offered me the job. I wound up my mum that I hadn't got it for ages before telling her the good news. I'm just so happy to be working."

Nathan Jefferson-Cook, 25, of Carlin How, earned a 2:1 in Mechanical Engineering in 2019 from Teesside University. "I tried everything," he said. "Asda, Morrisons, you name it. What kept me going was Lorraine (Edwards), at the council's Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) Team. She helped a lot with finding jobs and even with getting me bus tickets to interviews.

"Eventually I got an interview as part for the council's Street Scene team and they, thankfully, picked up about my degree and I ended up with six months' placement work in the Property Services which has some mechanical engineers. I'll be doing admin, data entry and working in various departments and I hope to meet some mechanical engineers. It's a real chance."



Louis Astbury

Louis Astbury, 22, of Marske, found himself without work and with his source of income gone when the first lockdown was announced. "I'm a musician," he said, explaining he has been appointed to work as a Youth Hub Support Mentor at Grangetown Employment and Training Hub. "It took a lot of years, lots and lots of effort and a lot of fails to build up an income from that. Lots of weeks with little food and spending the money on getting to a gig, all that. It finally paid off and we got to the point where my bands, Steel Thorn and Millennium, were bringing in a bit of money and we had European tours. Then it just ended, just like that, with the first lockdown. It was tough. I was sat around, not working, I couldn't stand it. When I got this chance I was just buzzing."



Nathan Jefferson-Cook

The council also takes on apprentices and support for young, unemployed people is also available through the Youth Employment Initiative programme. Find out more at www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk or call 01642 774774.

Have your say

WE would like your views to help improve the services you need and expect from the council.

In the centre of this magazine is a survey, which will take a few minutes to complete. Doing this will give the council vital information as we come out of Covid and focus on priorities which will keep our borough safe and allow our businesses to prosper.

Among the themes in the survey is climate change. The council has declared a climate emergency and aims to become carbon-neutral by 2030. That is a challenge, but if we all contribute it will mean a better environment for everyone.

There are also questions about

keeping our beautiful borough looking at its best, how our services to you will develop, priorities coming out of Covid and your views on regeneration in your area.

Your thoughts and opinions will influence what the council does and help improve the services which help people live better lives every day.

Please take a short amount of time to give us your views. Simply fill in the form in the

middle of the magazine, use the marked adhesive to stick the pages together and post them back to us. There is no charge – the postage is already paid; simply put the completed and gummed pages into the postbox.

Thank you for taking the time to help us to help you.

Cllr Mary Lanigan – Leader

Cllr Alison Barnes – Deputy Leader



DREAM GREEN!

How you can help create a greener future

AN ambitious target has been set to make Redcar and Cleveland 'carbon neutral' by 2030 – and it's hoped everyone will do their bit.

One resident who is doing his part is Glenn Kemp (pictured) who has a Hybrid Honda Jazz car and has replaced all his household lights with energy-saving LED lightbulbs. He said: "Both myself and my wife are very energy conscious and want to do our bit to improve the environment but also benefit from saving money in the process.

"Having changed all our lights in the house to LED bulbs our electricity bill has reduced by around 30%. We have also installed a condensing combi boiler which is much more efficient and saves us up to 20% on our gas bill.

"We have become much more aware of our energy usage and my wife has even started to cook three meals at a time to make the best use of the oven and cooker and save energy.

"My advice to other residents would be to look for the energy efficiency rating when you change your household goods as the cost saving to you and the benefit to the environment can be a lot more than you think – small changes really can make a big difference."

SHINING LIGHT:
Glenn installs an LED
lightbulb in the kitchen
of his Redcar home.



What you can do to make a difference?

Transport

- take the bus or train where you can
- try walking or cycling where possible
- if you need a new car, consider if an electric vehicle or a hybrid is possible
- reduce your need to travel if you can, such as working from home or video calling.

What you consume

- consider a meat-free day one day a week - reducing meat and dairy can have a big impact on emissions
- consider second-hand clothes and small household items
- use a reusable cup and lunch box
- use seasonal locally grown fruit and vegetables, or even better – grow your own!

Energy

- replace light bulbs with LED or lower emissions equivalents
- turn off lights and any other electrical items when you don't need them
- aim to heat your house to between 18 °C and 21 °C
- service your boiler to maintain its efficiency
- look into installing renewable energy such as solar panels.

Waste and Water

- spending one minute less in your shower would save you £30 per person, per year
- reduce food waste by only buying what you need, and using what you buy
- reuse items and sell unwanted goods, instead of throwing them away.

For further information and to find out how you can do your bit please visit www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk/greenerfuture

Useful information and advice is also available at:

www.ukpower.co.uk

www.energysavingtrust.org.uk

www.carbontrust.com



A day in the life...

Business Growth Officer

MANY businesses in Redcar and Cleveland wouldn't be where they are today if it wasn't for Business Growth Officer, David Hitchen.

David, 57, is rooted in Redcar and Cleveland and knows the borough inside out. A married father of two from Marske, David spent 20 years in business support at NatWest ending up as a Business Manager before joining the council thirteen years ago.

"I have relationships with some businesses going back more than 30 years," David explains. "I'm very proud of that fact. My job is to help existing businesses achieve their goals, whether it is a small sole trader to a major, multi-national at Wilton. We take real job satisfaction from seeing residents of the borough finding employment with businesses that we have been able to support."

David says: "The last 15 months have been unbelievably tough for our business community, with every sector facing new challenges and needing to find new ways of working." David and the team have managed to reassure people on support available and offer practical advice and solutions where businesses have struggled to see a successful future. The team has also supported the distribution of tens of millions of Government grants to the borough's businesses.

Early Morning

"Business people tend to be very busy with their trade in the day and don't get the chance to email until the evening, so I'll come in to a lot of emails in the morning.

"I'll also scour e-business bulletins and other sources of news, looking for information about businesses coming to the area and keep tabs on sources of funding or support. It's not just us at the council or the Government who can support – there are 20-odd different key partner organisations we work with who provide support to our businesses, from Teesside University to the Tees Valley Combined Authority to technological institutes, trade bodies and digital support organisations. Being aware of all the support available is crucial to us achieving the end goal."

Morning

"Most days I will go out for face-to-face meetings with business owners. I always aim to speak with more than one in the area I am visiting even if it just a quick catch-up regarding an existing project. Building relationships and understanding the sector and its current needs is key to advise on appropriate support available. Building trust is so important as the role often requires dealing with sensitive situations. Business owners tend to be proud of their achievements and they naturally want to tell us their success stories but I have to say, 'where can you improve? What is holding you back from achieving?' I can go to a business who doesn't think there's any help available and leave them with five or six sources of help. It's not all about grant funding. It can be technical support on taking their product online or support on managing staff or help to go green and a lot more."

Afternoon

"A lot of my most effective work involves following up with businesses and making sure they're maximising opportunities. For example, there was one engineering business set up by people from a company that had supplied to SSI. We worked a lot with them, helped find premises, helped them to source funding to get started and provided introductions to sector specialists to provide technical support and they are now a successful, international business and a very good employer. We also helped with finding them staff from our Employment and Training Hubs at Grangetown and Skinningrove. We work closely with our local Employment Hubs by linking up local businesses who are looking to recruit local residents into new jobs. Our hubs provide appropriate skills and training outlined by the business to help residents to be in the best possible place to secure

employment. The model has been a great success which is now being copied elsewhere in the Tees Valley. When you see people who may have thought they were out of work forever after the closure of SSI back in a great job, it is incredibly satisfying."

Late afternoon and evening

"In non-Covid times we spend a lot of time preparing our very popular Business Growth Surgeries where businesses from right across the borough come together to find out about support and can meet each other. Or it could be identifying premises for businesses or coming up with tailored information for business.

"Whatever helps these often incredibly hard-working people who have taken a big leap to set up a business and are making our economy tick and people into work, we will happily do."



Contact the Business Growth Team 01642 444366
or business.growth@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk



Picture this! Work under way at The Regent

WORK is well underway building the new Regent on Redcar seafront.

The old cinema was demolished last year due to safety concerns about the building and a new three-screen cinema designed to seat nearly 200 people is now being built.

It is due to open in spring next year after £9.68 million was allocated from the Tees Valley Combined Authority and will also have a new café area with spectacular sea views.

A total of 100 tonnes of steel will

be used with 82% of the steel produced in the borough. The rest of the steel was obtained elsewhere in the UK as our area doesn't produce the right type for certain sections of the building.

The foundations and new seawall are virtually complete and work has started on the structural steel frame and concrete staircase. Concrete floors will now be added and the roof and cladding will be added in the summer months with an expectation

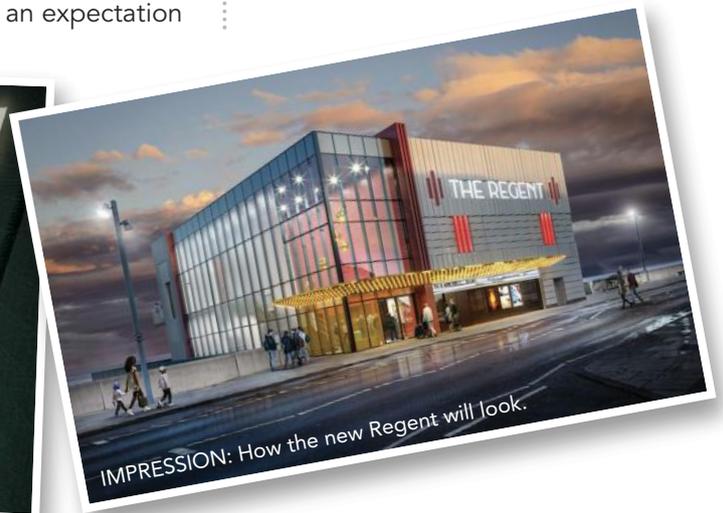
the structure will be water-tight in the autumn. The process to secure a cinema operator is under way.

In April 2018, the old building was closed for public safety, and following structural and building surveys, it was confirmed that the cinema had reached the end of its physical life.

Find out more on the council's website.



VISION: An impression of what it will look like inside the cinema.



IMPRESSION: How the new Regent will look.

Loftus to be transformed

FUNDING of £5.8 million has been approved by the Government towards ambitious plans to transform Loftus High Street.

The council submitted a bid for £8.49 million and was successful in securing £5.8 million. A further £3 million is coming from the Tees Valley Combined Authority and £575,000 from the council meaning the total investment will be £9.375 million. We got reaction from people and business leaders in Loftus.



Artist impression: Loftus Marketplace

Highlights of the revised plans include:

- Relocating Loftus Library to create a new community hub linked to the High Street;
- Rejuvenating Coronation Park with improved lighting and landscaping;
- Creating a new Skills, Training and Employment Hub;
- Creating more quality housing and improving key gateways;
- Creating new visitor accommodation and commercial uses in empty buildings;
- Creating a cultural hub in a disused building;
- Improving key shop fronts in the heart of the town;
- Improving the town's appearance with gateways, paths, landscaping, lighting and paving.

Alison Atkinson, Town Clerk and resident and member of Loftus Accord and special events group said:

"We are absolutely thrilled with the funding announcement which is going to be transformational for the town.

"The last time Loftus had anything spent on it was around 1990 however this time local people have been so much more involved with the process and we should get what the town needs both economically and as a visitor destination."



Father Adam Gaunt

of St Leanord's Church said:

"We celebrate with great joy the fantastic news that our community has been awarded the money to regenerate our town centre.

"I have been the Rector for 12 years and back in 2011 we published the Loftus Community Plan which was the first step towards the regeneration we are now going to see.

"I am delighted to see 10 years of hard work come to fruition and would like to thank everyone involved, especially the local community."



Maria O'Neill at her florists shop Floral Craft in Loftus said:

"I came to Loftus from Cambridgeshire on holiday nearly 30 years ago and we ended up buying our first house here and have never looked back.

"When we first opened a shop in 1999 the town was booming but sadly it has declined ever since.

"Recently we have started to see a few more visitors to the town and houses being sold which should help boost the local economy.

"This investment from Government and other authorities should help enhance the area and hopefully sustain it for the next 30 to 40 years."

Marjorie Magor,

who has lived in Loftus all her life and is Chair of Loftus Community Forum said:

"This funding from the Government and other authorities will breathe new life and do wonders for our town.

"It is desperately needed and provides an amazing opportunity to restore interest and life back into Loftus."



Jason Worton, Director of Inglebys Estate Agents at the Loftus office said:

"What is great about the investment coming into Loftus is it will help attract further investment into the town and it is great news for the people who already live here who will see progress on the High Street.

"It has been unprecedented what we have already seen in the town with regards to property sales over the last 12 months. It really has taken off and this announcement of additional funding for Loftus should only act to make the town an even better place to live, do business and visit."

A fly-through video of the revised plans are available on the following link <http://bit.ly/loftus-fhsf>

To view the proposals, please visit: www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk

Bounce back with nature for your mental wellbeing

PEOPLE in the borough ‘bounced back with nature’ with a range of outdoor activities and support tools for mental health awareness week recently.

The theme of the week was nature and activities ranged from nature trails to caring for wildlife and herbs.

We talked to borough residents Faye Lyth and Levi Crombie about their mental health struggles and how nature helped them bounce back – and how it could help you too.

Faye’s story of post-natal depression

“It was a real shock to me when my mental health took a nose-dive as I have always been a big advocate of looking after my mental health.

“I had a really stressful pregnancy with my second child which led to me being hospitalised.

“It was mainly thanks to an incredible GP who had suffered with post-natal depression herself and noticed that I was showing symptoms as well.

“At first I was worried about what people would think but there is so much help and support out there - you don’t have to go through it alone.

“We live in such an incredible area especially the coastline and the hills and as a family we find it a massive help getting out in the fresh air.”



FAMILY FUN: Faye Lyth with her two children, Florence (aged five) and Grayson (aged three).



DIGGING DEEP: Volunteering at the Foxwood Project in Loftus.



WALK ON THE WILDSIDE: Colin and Fran Edwards examine wildflowers.



GOOD TO TALK:
Levi Crombie
with his fiancée,
Danielle.

Former soldier Levi fights back

"I suffered with my mental health when I was in the military and when I left it was still there.

"With the help of my fiancée, Danielle, I have set up a facebook group, 24se7en, for people who need a place to talk about their problems and we have 2,500 members.

"It has been a tough year for everyone but I would say to anyone suffering with their mental health not to be afraid to ask for help. I bottled it up for years and it did me no good – it is much better to talk."



STRIDING OUT:
Walkers on the
bluebell circular
walk near
Liverton village.



PARK ART: 'Whippet Up' using art and creativity to improve wellbeing at Millennium Green in Dormanstown.

Further information on mental health and wellbeing is available at:

www.facebook.com/FeelGoodEastCleveland

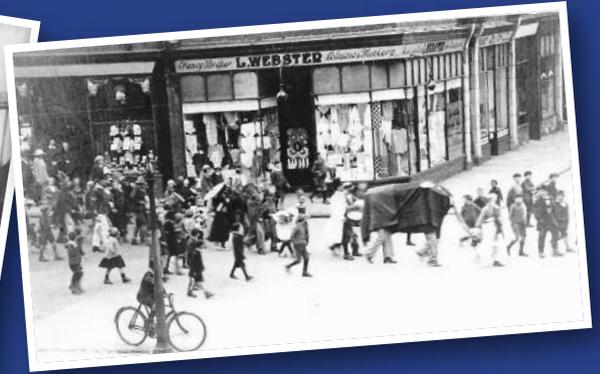
www.facebook.com/FeelGoodGreaterEston

www.facebook.com/FeelGoodRedcarArea

www.mentalhealth.org.uk

Happy birthday, Saltburn!

IT'S 160 years since the foundation of modern Saltburn and we thought we'd celebrate by going through the photographic archives to see how the resort has looked through the years.



Old Saltburn, right by the sea and under the shadow of Huntcliff, is older than the modern town. Records are scarce but in 1856 the Ship Inn was there next to a row of houses and the area was long known as a centre for smugglers.

The Saltburn we know today was developed by the Pease family of Darlington, who had also been involved with the first railway companies and the development of Middlesbrough as an industrial centre.

Henry Pease had the idea of developing the resort while walking the coastal path and in 1861 the Pease-backed Stockton & Darlington Railway (S&DR) reached Saltburn and work began on the town following the purchase of land from Lord Zetland.

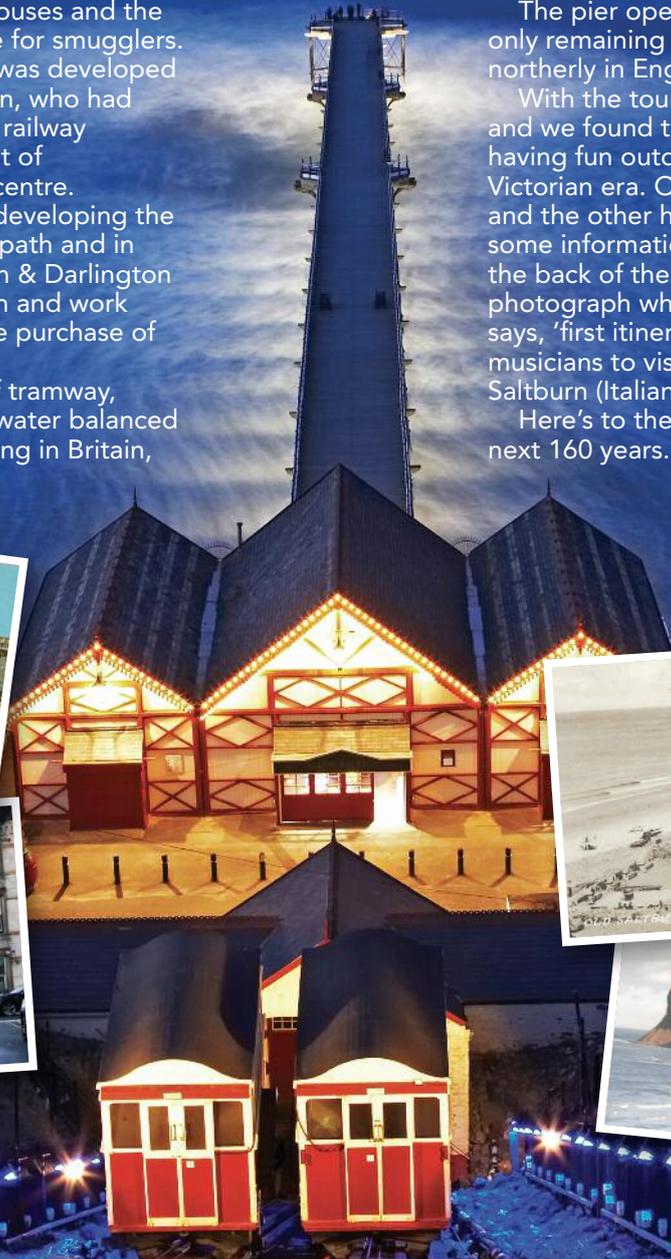
The resort is proud of the cliff tramway, today thought to be the oldest water balanced tramway, or 'funicular,' still running in Britain,

which first opened in 1884. It replaced the terrifying-looking cliff lift, a vertical timber cliff hoist which operated from 1870 until 1883.

The pier opened in 1869 and is today the only remaining pier in Yorkshire and the most northerly in England.

With the tourists came street entertainment and we found two photographs of people having fun outdoors which could date to the Victorian era. One shows a make shift parade and the other has some information on the back of the photograph which says, 'first itinerant musicians to visit Saltburn (Italians?)'.

Here's to the next 160 years.



Saltburn and Redcar beaches fly the flag for region

SALTBURN has again been named a Blue Flag award winner, Keep Britain Tidy's highest award.

And there were also celebrations in Redcar as the beach was named as a UK Seaside Award beach, meaning it has the highest environmental standards.

It is the third year in a row that Saltburn beach has won the Blue Flag and it is just one of four in Yorkshire, six in the North East and 76 in England to receive the award.

The Blue Flag is given for high-quality seawater, clean beach and beachside amenities.

The Seaside Award recognises and rewards beaches in England that achieve the highest standards of beach management and the required standards for water quality.

The awards have been celebrated more than usual as more people are choosing to holiday at home this year and it is hoped more visitors will come to enjoy our spectacular coast.

As well as council workers, volunteers litter pick and go the extra mile right through the year. Agencies, businesses and charities including Northumbrian Water, the Environment Agency, Keeping it Clean At Saltburn and the RNLI all contributed to the success.



BLUE FLAG: Artists Helen Gaunt and Derek Mosey created sand etchings on Saltburn beach to celebrate the Blue Flag award.



TRADITIONAL FISH & CHIPS

Summer fun is

WE'RE all hoping to get out in the summer weather and – restrictions permitting – there are events for everyone in Redcar and Cleveland.



Redcar Half Marathon is planned to return

Theatre, live music and the return of the popular Festival of Thrift and Redcar Running Festival will be on offer if infection rates remain low and further restrictions are not imposed.

The events programme starts with the **Muddy Roads Kirkleatham 5km** trail, which will give runners the chance to experience the beautiful grounds and woodland around Kirkleatham Museum on June 23. Full details are available at

www.muddyroads.co.uk/races

Live outdoor theatre also comes to Kirkleatham Museum Grounds during July.

Mr Stink Children's Theatre Performance launches the programme on July 2, and will be followed by **The Comedy of Errors** on July 8 and 9, the **Great Gatsby** on July 18 and **The Two Fridas** on August 22. Ticket information for all four performances is available at www.enjoyredcarandcleveland.go.uk

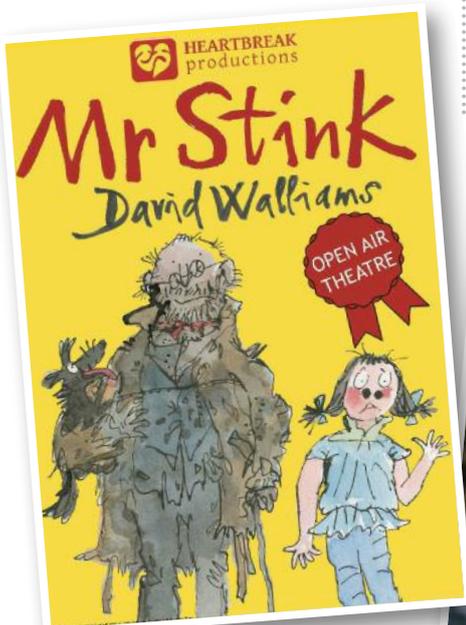
Some of the most popular summer events in the borough are scheduled to return following a year away.



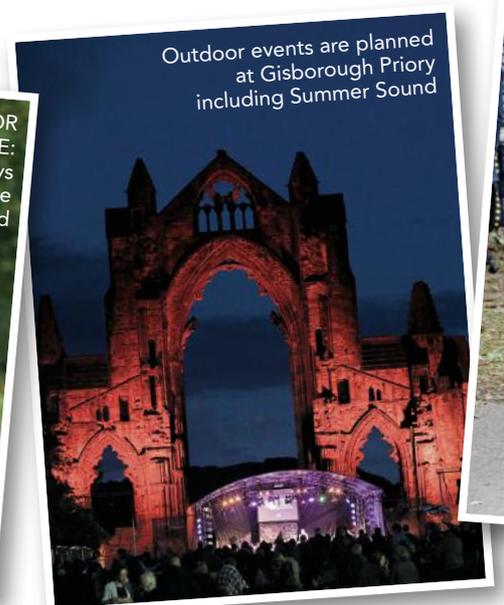
OUTDOOR THEATRE: Outdoor plays for all ages are planned

The popular **Redcar Sprint Triathlon** returns to Redcar seafront on July 25. More information about the challenge is available at www.trihard.co.uk/events/redcar-sprint-triathlon

Fans of the **Summer Sound Music Festival** at Gisborough Priory can pencil in July 30 and 31 for their favourite event, with ticket information available at www.skiddle.com/festivals/north-east-summer-sound



OUTDOOR THEATRE: Outdoor plays for all ages are planned



Outdoor events are planned at Gisborough Priory including Summer Sound

here again!

Redcar Triathlon is planned



Majuba Beach in Redcar is scheduled to hold two summer events. **The Beach Jam** is due to be held on July 31, with **Cream Classics on the Beach** set for August 1. Ticket information for the two events is available at www.skiddle.com/whats-on/Middlesbrough/Majuba-Beach

The **Northern Athletics Road Race** is due to be held on September 18, with further information available at www.enjoyredcarcleveland.co.uk

The nationally-renowned **Festival of Thrift**, which attracts tens of thousands of people to Redcar and Cleveland, is due to return to Kirkleatham Village on September 25 and 26 after last year's event was held online only. Go to www.festivalofthrift.co.uk for more details.

Finally, the ever-popular **Redcar Running Festival** is scheduled to return on October 10. If you fancy the challenge, go to www.nmhraces.net



RACING RETURNS

REDCAR Racecourse has welcomed back crowds and hopes to return to full capacity this summer after the entire 2020 season had to be held behind closed doors.

The remaining fixtures for this season are:

- Sunday, July 18
- Wednesday, July 28
- Sunday, August 8
- Saturday, August 28 (evening meeting)
- Tuesday, September 14
- Wednesday, September 22
- Saturday, October 2 (Two-Year-Old Trophy)
- Friday, October 15
- Monday, October 25
- Tuesday, November 2



The Festival of Thrift is expected to return in the autumn



Wheel success!

Excitement as national bike race comes to Guisborough

GUISBOROUGH has been chosen for a highly prestigious cycle tour which attracts the UK's leading cyclists.

The Tour Series event will take place on Sunday 8 August – restrictions permitting - and is expected to attract large crowds as Britain's best male and female riders compete against each other in a unique, team-based format.

It is the first time the Tour Series has come to Yorkshire and it will be held in just two venues in the North East.

British sporting heroes Laura Kenny, Dani King, Joanna Rowsell-Shand, Ed Clancy, Elinor Barker and

Dame Sarah Storey have all competed in the series during its 11 years.

There will be fun events happening through the day with a podium for the winner and community sports activity and races for children and young people are being planned.

Guisborough is one of three brand new locations for the Tour Series along with Sunderland and Castle Douglas and the event will be broadcast on ITV4 and Eurosport. The 1.5km route will be announced shortly and it has been estimated the

event could be worth £400,000 to the local economy.

Redcar and Cleveland is becoming known as a centre for cycling with the East Cleveland Klondike race a big success in the years before lockdown. The area was also chosen for the Tour de Yorkshire before the pandemic struck.

The council is working with organisers, SweetSpot, and British Cycling to stage the event. Details could change depending on possible Covid restrictions – please check ahead. **Find out more on the council's website and Facebook page.**



WHEEL SUCCESS: Images from the 2019 East Cleveland Klondike bike race which began and ended in Guisborough.

Culture, history and steel... Kirkleatham Museum is back!

AN AWARD-WINNING exhibition celebrating the region's industrial heritage has been made more interactive as Kirkleatham Museum opens its doors to the public once again.

Steel Stories, an interactive exhibition at the museum near Redcar, celebrates the area's iron and steel industries. The exhibition has won a national award and attracted tens of thousands of visitors before Covid closed the museum.

The museum has also had other improvements and redecoration for visitors who are asked to book ahead.

Improvements to the Steel Stories exhibition, which has been made more interactive, include five new 'sculptures' which show the workings of ironstone mines and steelworks and the social life of steel families



through the 19th and 20th centuries; more audio commentary, more interactive audio commentary, more photographs and more video.

One former steelworker who contributed to the improvements is Mike Guess, who has written a book, *Teesside Steel – The Final Years*. The book, on sale at the museum, features a lot of his own photography which he took while working as an electrical engineer at SSI in Redcar before it closed in 2015.

The dad and granddad, who still works as a High Voltage Engineer at the former steel works so the site and smaller companies can continue to receive electricity, started working in the industry aged 16, in 1979.

"The closure of SSI has been hitting home a bit recently as they're

dismantling the site's structures," said Mr Guess, who also offered advice on the creation of the new 'sculptures' in the museum. "It brings it home just how important this exhibition is for our area."

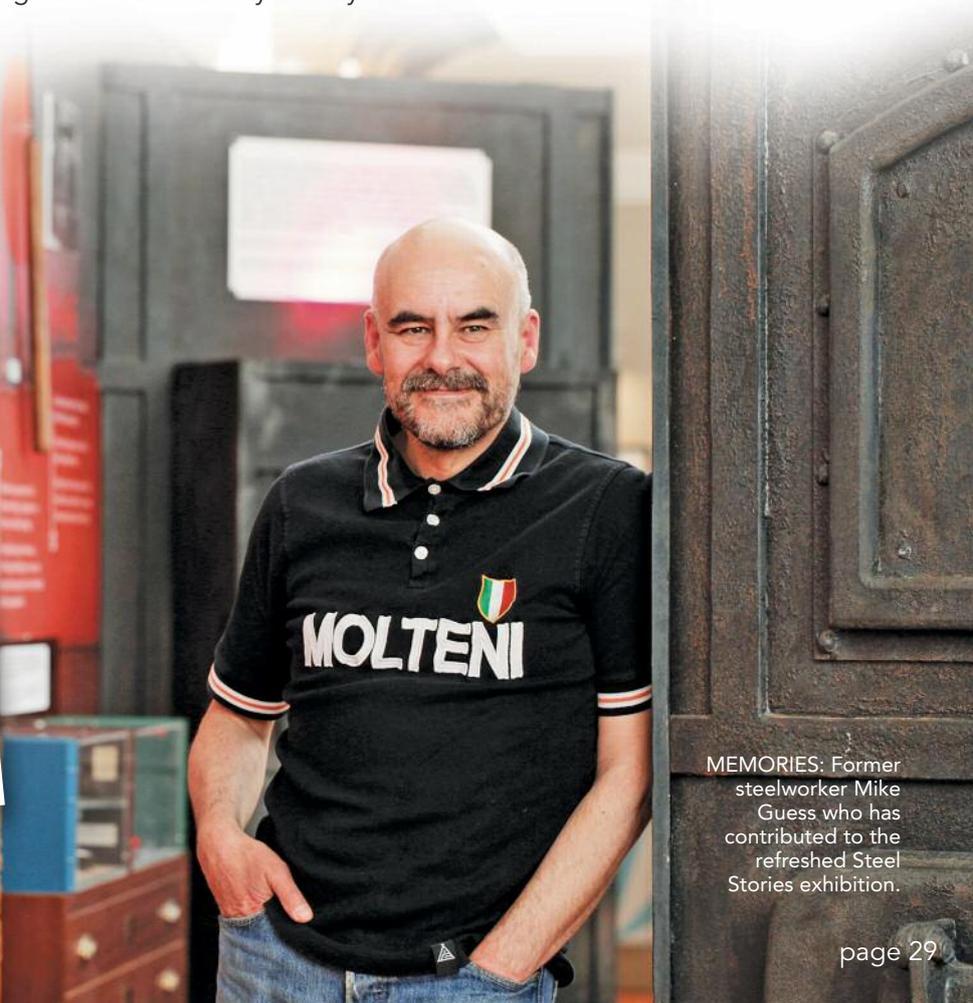
As well as the improvements to Steel Stories, there have been other improvements to the wider museum including a fully redesigned shop, redecoration at the museum's famous First World War and Saxon exhibitions and improvements to the education rooms including a new mural which both celebrates the borough and serve as an education tool.

The museum, known as Kirkleatham Old Hall, began life as a free school for boys in 1709 and is Grade II* listed. It opened as museum in 1981. The Steel Stories exhibition won the national Museums Change Lives award for Best Small Project.

For further information on how to book a tour of the museum, please visit the Kirkleatham Facebook page or go to www.redcarcleveland.co.uk/enjoy/kirkleatham-museum.



SHOPPING: The refurbished shop at Kirkleatham Museum.



MEMORIES: Former steelworker Mike Guess who has contributed to the refreshed Steel Stories exhibition.

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June 2021

Tuesday 22

Governance Committee
10am

Wednesday 23

Employment, Health & Safety Committee 10am

July 2021

Thursday 1

Borough Council 2pm

Thursday 8

Regulatory Committee
10am

Tuesday 13

Children & Families Scrutiny and Improvement Committee 10am

Tuesday 13

Adult & Communities Scrutiny and Improvement Committee 2pm

Wednesday 14

Resources Scrutiny and Improvement Committee 10am

Thursday 15

Growth, Enterprise & Environment Scrutiny and Improvement Committee 10am

Tuesday 20

Cabinet 10am

Tuesday 27

Governance Committee 10am

Wednesday 28

Employment, Health & Safety Committee 10am

August 2021

Thursday 5

Regulatory Committee 10am

September 2021

Thursday 2

Regulatory Committee 10am

Friday 3

River Tees Port Health Authority 10am
(Middlesbrough Town Hall)

Thursday 9

Borough Council 2pm

Tuesday 14

Corporate Parenting Board 10am

Tuesday 21

Children & Families Scrutiny and Improvement Committee 10am

Tuesday 21

Adult & Communities Scrutiny and Improvement Committee 2pm

Wednesday 22

Resources Scrutiny and Improvement Committee 10am

Thursday 23

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