

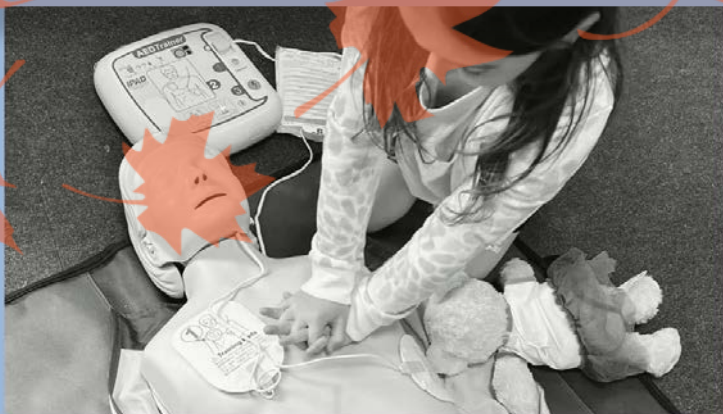
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We distribute over 5000 copies of the Westhill Bulletin quarterly to houses and businesses in Westhill and surrounding villages. We offer good advertising rates and are keen to support local businesses and services.

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Elected Councillors

The four Aberdeenshire Council Ward 13 Councillors named below are exofficio members of the Community Council. They attend the monthly meetings when they can but do not have voting rights. They put articles in Bulletin about current topics (see pages 7 to 9). They are also ex-officio members of two other nearby Community Councils in Ward 13.

Councillor Fatima Joji | Councillor Ron McKail | Councillor Craig Miller |
Councillor Iris Walker

Community Council meetings are held on 2nd Thursday of each month at 7pm in Holiday Inn West, Westhill and are open to all residents of Westhill & District. The agenda is placed in the noticeboard outside Nisa a week before the meeting and posted on the Westhill website www.westhillelrick.org

If you would like to join the meeting remotely a Zoom link can be sent –
contact weccsecretx@gmail.com



Chairperson's Report

We hope you have enjoyed seeing the magnificent display of hanging baskets on the corner of Old Skene Road and Westhill Drive. These were funded and installed by WECC. See more about the Green Spaces Team work on page 19.



Have Your Say on Future Developments in Westhill and Elrick

Aberdeenshire Council is currently working towards the next Local Development Plan for 2029-2039. Part of this involves a 'Call for Ideas' - including 'Calling for Sites' where developers can identify the sites in this area where they would like to develop. The second part of this is the 'Call for Ideas' which will enable residents to express their ideas on the future of Westhill and Elrick. The 'Call for Ideas' closes on 31st December 2025.

We are asking you to complete a questionnaire via this QR code to ascertain your views about any future developments in Westhill and Elrick for our submission on behalf of WECC. The questionnaire closes on 6th October. In addition you may also respond as an individual to Aberdeenshire Council at <https://bit.ly/AbshireLDP2029>



New Play Park Project

A strong demand for a large central play park was identified through the Community Action Plan. A site has been identified in Denman Park, three suppliers are drawing up designs and discussions are ongoing with Aberdeenshire Council. If you would like to be part of the project committee, please get in touch

Westhill Bus Services

In the Summer Bulletin we reported on the results of the survey that we conducted to gauge the likely demand if a bus service to the Blacklaws Brae turning circle was reinstated. The responses showed that there was overwhelming support for reinstating the service and indicated a potential 350 additional users.

We had a meeting with Stagecoach in July, requesting them to pilot a 10 minute loop from Hays Way up to Blacklaws Brae and back again, using results of our survey as evidence of demand. Stagecoach were unable to meet our request to insert such a loop, as it would require the addition of another bus into the route. They stated that the cost of this would need to be met through additional revenue generated from the loop and even if the projected additional passenger numbers were achieved, the required sum would not be met in an acceptable timescale. On a positive note, Stagecoach have offered an enhanced evening service with each No 6 bus completing the proposed loop each hour, from 6 pm to 11pm, 7 days a week, to be operational early in the New Year. Obviously this outcome is not what we had hoped for, but we do believe that it has real value, as with some careful planning, having to walk up the hill in the evening will no longer be required. The advent of this evening service gives an opportunity for potential users to demonstrate to Stagecoach that there is a genuine demand for such a service.

WECC monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday at the Holiday Inn Hotel at 7pm. We always welcome anyone who would like to come along to listen to our discussions, consider an issue or raise a concern. Email weccsecretx@gmail.com

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Over the summer we had our summer camp at Monymusk where the boys participated in hillwalking, mountain biking, rock climbing and ropes course.

The camp was finished off with a hike and wild camp for those with sufficient enthusiasm at the end of the week.

Our new session will start on Friday 5th September: Anchor boys (P1 to P3) meet at Trinity church on Friday 6:30 t

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INSPIRING ABERDEENSHIRE

With the awards ceremony just weeks away, we wanted to say good luck to all our local finalists and we look forward to cheering them on at the ceremony!

Gordon Prentice is a finalist for the Beautiful Aberdeenshire Environmental award. Gordon has led on the Orbital Trail which was officially opened in 2021. He liaised with landowners, council officials and volunteers to create the 12km connected path around Westhill. In collaboration he successfully raised major funding for both Carnie Woods and Denman Park, making the paths more accessible. He also took over the role of arranging regular litter picks around Westhill.

Westhill Community Resilience Group are finalists for the Community Spirit award. Since 2020 the group which includes representatives from local faith communities, community council, rotary club, senior citizens and the wider community have supported vulnerable members of the community.

Cultural award finalists include Garlogie Beam Engine Trust who have made an exceptional contribution to Aberdeenshire's heritage. The Trust have turned a vital piece of industrial history into a living, educational resource with their work on Garlogie Beam Engine and hydroelectric plant. With over 350 visitors being welcomed in the past year, the group are going from strength to strength in promoting our local industrial past.

REMOVAL OF GRIT BINS

At the last budget setting meeting in February, full council approved a saving of around £380,000 which would see a number of grit bins not being re-filled. These would be the bins that no longer meet the existing criteria. It was councillors' understanding that the bins would be left in situ with residents/community groups having the opportunity to peruse them if they felt this was a viable option. The service has now made an operational decision to remove and store the bins. We have had a number of representations from residents which we have passed on to the service to consider and we await further updates as council returns after Summer recess. The council also supports members of the local community who wish to clear snow from publicly-adopted footways and footpaths. Groups of volunteers are invited to join the Snow Warden Scheme where they can assist with the clearing of snow within an area of their local community. The scheme runs from November 1st until March 31st. If appropriate, grit will be provided. More information is available at <https://aberdeenshire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/wintermaintenance>

Cold Callers: Don't Be Fooled by Flyers or Business Cards. No Address is a Red Flag.

Aberdeenshire's Garioch and North Marr Community Safety Group are advising Westhill residents to stay alert for cold callers offering to trim trees, clean gutters, lay driveways, or carry out other property work. These traders often hand out business cards or flyers showing only a trading name and a mobile number — sometimes adding a local landline (such as 01224) to appear genuine.

But remember: If the card or flyer does not include a proper physical address, this is a major red flag. Without an address, you'll struggle to trace the trader if something goes wrong, leaving you with poor or unfinished work and no way to get your money back.

Important tips: Be suspicious of any flyer or card with just a name and phone number but no business address. A local phone number doesn't prove the trader is actually based in the north east — it can be easily set to divert to a mobile anywhere. If you feel pressured, say no politely and close the door.

Displaying a “No Cold Callers” sticker can also help deter unwanted visits.

To report suspicious traders or get advice:
Trading Standards (Aberdeenshire Council): 01467 537 222
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Remember: a genuine local business will have nothing to hide — including a proper, verifiable address.

Council's Economic Development Team. Helping Local Businesses and Jobs Thrive

Local businesses and communities across the Northeast of Scotland are getting a welcome boost thanks to Aberdeenshire Council's Economic Development team.

From new start-ups to growing local firms, the team offers hands-on support through services like Business Gateway and Enterprising Aberdeenshire. Their mission? To build a vibrant, sustainable economy where local entrepreneurs can flourish.

At the same time, Invest Aberdeen is putting the region on the map for investors, highlighting opportunities in energy, tourism, digital tech and more.

It's not just about business, though. Through Employment CONNECT, the council is helping people access training and job opportunities — especially those who are unemployed or struggling to find work. Meanwhile, dedicated teams secure vital funding for local projects and work with towns to develop tailored economic plans.

Recent success stories include supporting the launch of the Westhill Business Association and running local business events to help firms connect and grow.

With initiatives like the Aberdeenshire Loves Local Gift Card encouraging people to shop locally, the council's work is making a real difference — helping the North East's economy recover, adapt and thrive.

Got a query or question, you can get in touch with the team on Email econdev@aberdeenshire.gov.uk / Phone 03456 08 12 08

A Diamond Day for Walter and Lilian Smith

We would like to extend our warmest congratulations to Walter and Lilian Smith, who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 31st July 2025. Sixty years of marriage is a great milestone, and it was a pleasure for us, as local councillors, to be both notified of and invited to share in this special occasion.

Walter and Lilian were married at Premnay Parish Church, and have shared many joyful years together with family and grandkids.

Congratulations once again, Walter and Lilian on this huge milestone!

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It was great to see so many of our scouting families for our summer BBQ and AGM at the end of June. It was the end of an era as Chris Pinnell stepped down as Group Lead Volunteer. Chris has been at the helm of Westhill Scout Group for the last 12 years. This is in addition to 24 1/2 years' service as Assistant Scout Leader with our Keir troop.

A formal thank you was given by our District Lead Volunteer and gifts were presented on behalf of the scout group.

Pete Thomson was formally invested as Westhill's new Group Lead Volunteer. Pete has been volunteering with 1st Westhill since 2017 following 21 years of scout leader volunteering in Aberdeen. He is looking forward to continuing the development and growth of scouting within Westhill.

At the end of May we were saddened by the news of the passing of former Westhill Scout Leader and Group Scout Leader, Norman Hall.

Norman volunteered for over sixty years in scouting and was a well-respected figure in the North East. His many achievements included the building of the current scout hall in Westhill.

Representatives of the scout group lowered flags and paused for reflection as his cortege passed by the scout hut on its way to his funeral. He was a very kind man whose legacy in scouting will live on.

In September we will have around 100 young people attending the Gordon Gathering which is a district camp at BA Stores at Lyne of Skene. It will be an opportunity for our sections to have lots of fun alongside young people from across the Gordon district. We hope the weather makes for a great weekend!

Opportunities for young people are made possible by our group of dedicated volunteers. We are in critical need of additional volunteers to enable us to offer more young people places in scouting.

Do you enjoy the outdoors? Do you see the value of young people having enjoyable screen-free time whilst developing #SkillsForLife? If so, join us! You don't have to volunteer each week and it can be very rewarding.

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Future Events: Further evenings with music artists are planned.

This includes "Càrnán" on 11th October and "Allison Lupton Trio" on 22nd November. For more up to date details see the posters on local community information boards and our Facebook Page for these and all other events.

Regular activities:

- Jazzercise, every Monday and Wednesday 9:45-10:45am and also Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm
- Westhill Sooyang Do martial art group hold classes for children and adults on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Phone Chief Instructor Dave Bremner: 07970 188825. See advert on page 60
- Skene Youth Club for Primary 1 - 7, Thursday evenings 6 - 7pm, October to April.
- Alba Black Belt Academies - age 3 to adult. Held on Wednesday afternoons. Call 07818 200371 for details.
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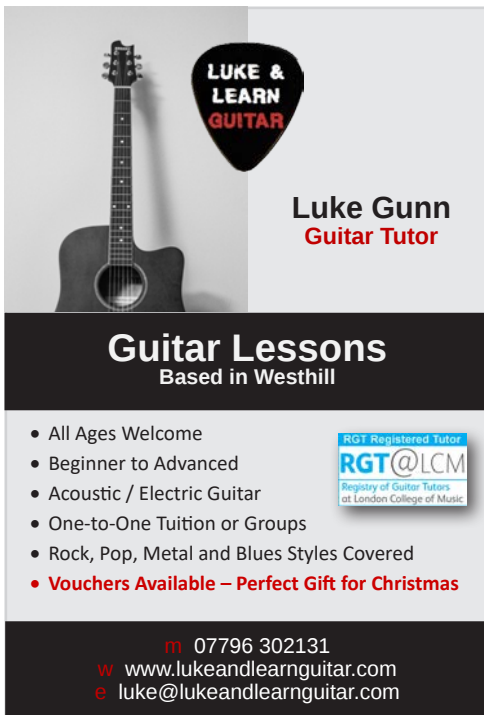
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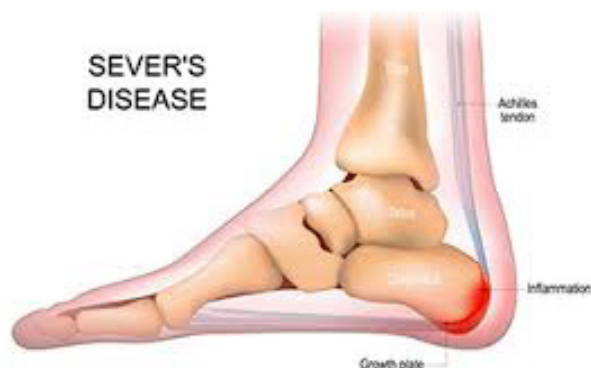
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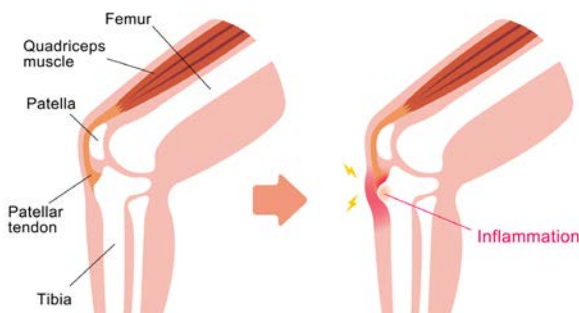
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As the school and sports seasons kick off, many young athletes may start complaining about common aches and pains. Two frequent conditions in growing children are Sever's disease and Osgood-Schlatter's disease.



Heel pain is often linked to Sever's disease, caused by repetitive stress on the heel's growth plate, especially from activities like running or jumping. **Knee pain**, particularly just below the kneecap and sometimes accompanied by a noticeable bump, may indicate Osgood-Schlatter's disease. This occurs when the patellar tendon repeatedly pulls on its attachment site during physical activity, leading to inflammation.

OSGOOD-SCHLATTER'S DISEASE



Both conditions typically affect prepubescent children during periods of rapid growth or increased activity. Fortunately, they are **self-limiting**, meaning symptoms often resolve naturally once the growth plates mature—usually by age 14-18 with some variation between boys and girls.

While rest is commonly advised, **physiotherapy** plays a critical role in effective recovery. Emerging research shows that children who participate in strengthening programs tend to recover faster and return to sports more successfully than

those who rely solely on rest. Strengthening not only alleviates symptoms but also prepares the body for future physical demands.

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Westhill Green Spaces Team Update

Team members have been active on a number of fronts over the summer months.

Summer Bedding Plants

Our first task was to plant out the hanging baskets on the corner of Old Skene Road and Westhill Drive which, this year, and for the first time, were fully funded by your Community Council. Mervyn and his team of 13 have to be congratulated for the planning and selection of what has turned out to be a magnificent display. Thanks too to the water boys, Ken and Rachid for ensuring that there were few casualties from our exceptionally dry summer.

"Rediscover Denman Park"

The end of May wasn't so dry, as visitors to "Rediscover Denman Park" on the 31st will testify. Despite that, a number of determined enthusiasts turned out to try what the clubs had to offer. As you will see from the photos collage, visitors tried bowls, petanque and tennis and, thanks to Westhill Scouts, younger ones had fun completing trails around the park.



Projects

A few intrepid members of the team have spent some of our Wednesdays in the Lawsonsdale stretch of the Brodiach Burn, removing blockages in an attempt to improve flow and water quality, and create a more attractive habitat for wildlife.

8 members of staff from Total Energies and 7 asylum seekers assisted the Carnie Woods Ranger to remove around 200m of rotting and unsafe boardwalk one midgie-ridden morning in June. The remainder has been left to straddle the wettest part of the marsh meantime, until a long-term solution is agreed with the landowner, Aberdeen City Council.

Since then, a core group of asylum seekers



have helped rebuild some of the boundary wall between the Hill of Keir and the golf course to help slow the flow of rainwater from the hill; they've helped scrape the weeds and moss from the block paving in the Community Rest Area opposite Tesco's, and most recently, removed a strip of turf at Blackhills Court and laid membrane and bark so that the residents there can plant a shrubbery in the autumn. This work helps relieve the boredom and monotony of hotel life, and we'd like to take this opportunity to say thanks to the 16 who have helped so far whilst their application for asylum is being considered.

Summer Maintenance

Meantime, our group of regular volunteers have been cutting back summer growth to keep the Orbital Trail and some other well used routes clear of overhanging vegetation. This work supplements the work of the Council's Landscape Services team on Council land, with occasional support from Community Payback clients. Thanks go to all Green Spaces volunteers for giving their time, mostly on Wednesday mornings, but at other times too.

Litter Picks

Community Litter picks organised by WECC have continued over the summer, apart from one that was rain affected in June. Thanks must go to all those who attend the scheduled litter picking events, and to those individuals who head out on their own on a regular basis in between, all to help the appearance of the community we live in.

If you are thinking about outdoor volunteering for some of these tasks, but not sure exactly what's involved, or if you would like to let us know about a green space that you think could be improved, please send an email to Mervyn or Gordon. Thank you

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We walk on alternate Sundays throughout the year with a choice of walks during the summer months. New members will be very welcome to join our friendly informal group. For more information please see our web site (westhillwalkers.org) for our 2025 programme, walks blog and contact details (westhillwalkers@gmail.com) and our Facebook page for updates and photos,

Some forthcoming walks – all welcome. For more information and to put your name down please contact: westhillwalkers@gmail.com

14th Sept	Glen Girnock via Duchess of Kent's Cairn 14.5km
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We re-start on Thursday 4th September 2025 and run fortnightly.



Senior Citizens enjoying Nova Quartet

Programme to November:

Thursday 4th Sept – Bingo and Games
Thurs 2nd Oct – All at C Club
Thurs 30th Oct – Dan Greavey – Singer
Thurs 27th Nov – Musical Medicine

Thurs 18th Sept – Swing Music from the 50's and 60's
Thurs 16th Oct – Finzean Ukelele Group
Thurs 13th Nov – Icecoolkatz

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While dial a bus is still able to bring the seniors to the meetings we have managed to hire Westhill Community Minibus to take people home.

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HALL NEWS

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We are planning more fundraising this year including a Ceilidh on 14th November and Kids discos on 24th October and 19th December.

We really need people to join the fundraising committee and help come and organize

CRAFT FAIR

There will be a Christmas Craft Fair on Sunday 30th November 10am-4pm for which there are a few spaces left at £20 a space

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The current Management Committee have been in control of the Hall for 7 years and due to the retirement from the Committee of one of the Trustees we are looking for new members and Trustees as we are now on the minimum number of Trustees to keep the Charity running and the future of the Hall could be at risk.

AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

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WESTHILL MARKET (9am-1pm, 1st Saturday of every month)

Our monthly market is held in the Hall's front car park, and we have a variety of stallholders selling fish, shellfish, bakery items, local fresh meat, pies, vegetables, jams, fudge, eggs, ethnic foods, crafts, jewelry and more.

We really need the support of the local community for the Market to be able to continue and to expand as stalls will only come back if more local people come.

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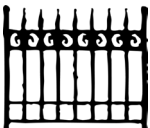
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0930 to 1015 – Mat-work Pilates – Main Hall - Block booking required**
1030 to 1115 – Mat-work Pilates – Main Hall - Block booking required**
1130 to 1225 – Zumba Gold – Main Hall – 07891000836 or 07703012273
1300 to 1500 - Abricabeats – Main Hall - 07960443299
1530 to 1730 – **Free to book for classes or Badminton/Pickleball**
1745 to 1830 - Mat-work Pilates – Main Hall – Block booking required**
1845 to 1930 – Mat-work Pilates – Main Hall – Block booking required**
1945 to 2045 – Badminton (private term time) - Main Hall

Tuesday

0800 to 0930 – **Free to book for classes or Badminton/Pickleball**
1000 to 1200 – Pickleball (private) – Main Hall
1230 to 1530 – **Free to book for classes or Badminton/Pickleball**
1545 to 1800 – Baby Ballet – Main Hall
1815 to 1915 - Choi Kwang Do - Main Hall – hello@westhillckd.org
1930 to 2045 – Badminton (private) – Main Hall

Wednesday

0915 to 1000 – Zumba Gold– 07703012273 or 07891000836 – Main Hall
1015 to 1300 - **Free to book for classes or Badminton/Pickleball**
1330 to 1430 – Badminton – Main Hall – New Ladies welcome
1515 to 1715 - Clover's Kids Club – MR1
1600 to 1700 – Pam Dignan Dancers - Main Hall
1730 to 1845 - Kuk Sool Won – Main Hall - 07983981172
1915 to 2045 – Line Dancing – Main Hall – (term time)

Thursday

0800 to 0900 - **Free to book for classes or Badminton/Pickleball**
0930 to 1730 – Baller Legends formerly Footstars – Main Hall – 9.30am-11.30pm, 4-5.30pm
1530 to 1700 – Little Dreamers Art Class - MR1 – kayleigh@littledreamersplaykits.co.uk
1800 to 1900 - Choi Kwang Do - Main Hall – hello@westhillckd.org
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Friday

0830 to 0915 - Mat-work Pilates – Main Hall - block booking required**
0930 to 1015– Mat-work Pilates – Main Hall - block booking required**
1030 to 1115 – Mat-work Pilates – Main Hall - block booking required**
1130 to 1600 – **Free to book classes or Badminton/Pickleball.**
Book events from 11.30am to midnight.

Saturday

0900 to 1200 - Rugby tots – Main Hall - 07970690204

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Sunday

1000 to 1300 – Higher Ground Assembly – Main Hall

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We take this opportunity to thank all who have donated so generously to Skene Fundraising Macmillan Cancer Support.

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- All money raised through Skene Fundraising Committee will remain in this area for Macmillan Cancer Support. We are pleased to say £24,665.28 was raised in 2024. We look forward to further fundraising in 2025. In 2026, as we will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary, please keep a look out on our facebook page for information on an important fundraising event.

Our other events since the last bulletin :-

- We held a Quiz Night on 26th February at Dunecht Hall and raised £879.00.
- On Saturday 10th May we held our annual Fizzy Flycup in Milne Hall, Skene, and are pleased to have raised £3457.05 and a further £462 through other collections on the day.
- Our next event was a stall on a very hot (25c) day at Echt Show on Saturday 12th July, where we raised £449.30 to donate to Macmillan Skene Fundraising Committee go to :-

Our next events will be:-

- The annual Coffee Morning at Lyne of Skene Hall on Saturday 27th September at 10am.
- The Burns Supper will be held on Friday 23rd January 2026.
- Other events for 2025 will be posted on our Facebook Page.
- Please follow us on facebook: Macmillan Cancer Support-Skene Fundraising Committee to read about these events and future events. In addition we do place posters around Westhill with the next up coming event/s.

To donate to Macmillan Skene Fundraising Committee go to :- macmillan-org.enthuse.com

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The funds raised by the committee remains within this area. If you would like to be a volunteer for events or join our committee please contact [Alison Troup -07974790765](mailto:Alison.Troup-07974790765) or macmillanskenefundraising@gmail.com Charity No SCO039907



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WESTHILL BOWLING CLUB



Here we are in August, approaching the business end of the bowling season where the accolades and prizes are handed out. It is perhaps a little too early to report on the achievements or otherwise of the season. We are only at the semi final stage of our club competitions so no congratulations to any winners yet but well done to those still with a chance of winning and commiserations to those who have been knocked out earlier.

It has to be said that Westhill Bowling Club has not had its most successful year in external competitions so far. A lot of near misses and hard luck stories abound for 2025.

By the time you are reading this our annual Westhill Open Fours event will have passed (held on Saturday the 16th of August). The event is over the whole day, starting at 10.00am and finishing about 6.30 pm. Teams from across the North East of Scotland will compete for a cash prize and a trophy. It involves a lot of work as we will provide morning and afternoon teas and coffees as well as lunch to all competitors as well as offering them refreshments from a temporary bar on the day. We are once again grateful to Garry Smith and ABERBUILD for their continued sponsorship of the event.

The event does help us raise some much needed funds to continue to develop bowling in Westhill.

Most of any cash we have raised this year has been reinvested on our playing surface and the improvements allowed us to host the District finals for the first time ever in our 39 year history. There was some great bowling on show as sixteen teams battled it out to secure their place in the national finals in Ayr. Sadly our two representatives, gents triples and gents fours, which made it to the district finals both succumbed to a one shot defeat.



Archie Scott, Viktor Micak and Sam Noble.

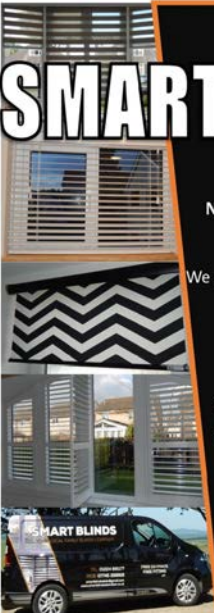
However, Westhill was represented at the National finals. Pride of place for 2025 goes to two of our younger members, Victor Micak and Sam Noble who, along with Archie Scott of Newmacher Bowling Club went to the National Championships at Ayr to represent our area in the junior triples event. Whilst they didn't win the championship, going out in the cruellest of fashion by losing at an extra end after the scores were tied, the boys did us proud.

They are a credit to themselves, their parents and Westhill Bowling Club.

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The Westhill and District Gardening Club normally meet on the third Wednesday of each month in the lounge of Trinity Church Westhill, 7.30pm from September to May.

We are always happy to welcome new members or guests who might wish to learn more about gardening and nature related activities in the local area and wider world too.

On Wednesday 17th September our speaker is Alison Sutherland from the Garioch Rangers, and this is also our "Miniature garden in a seed tray" competition night.

Wednesday 1st October we are holding our annual Interclub quiz, start time 7.30pm.

Wednesday 19th November, we welcome Elaine from Something Corny.

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Grand Opening of North Point: a new local community resource

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We now warmly invite the local community and all have who contributed to the transformation of the Compass site to join us for the **Official Opening of North Point** on **Saturday 6th September 2025** from **10-4**. With the opening ceremony at 10.30 followed by tours of the new spaces, activities for all the family and light refreshments, it promises to be a great day celebrating Compass and what has been achieved through working together with our volunteers and partner organisations: **1130** volunteers contributing a massive **14,000** hours since December 2020. We will also share our vision and plans for the next phase of the Compass site transformation: our Green Futures hub.

Located on the former Aberdeen Waldorf School site, Craigton Road, AB15 9QD, Compass is easily accessed by foot or cycle from the Cults locality or by car from further afield.

Compass shop

North Point is only one of the exciting resources at Compass. Our 4.1 acre site is also home to no-dig, organically managed gardens and orchards. These produce fresh seasonal local fruit and vegetables at affordable prices. Our new Compass shop, located in our garden area, is open every Friday from 10-4. Come along and see what's on offer - or sign up to our produce list to place an order online: garden@cw.t.scot

Drop-in play sessions

New from June onwards are our **drop-in soft play and activity sessions** for under 5s and their parents/carers. These take place every **Friday** from **10-12** in our large, safe North Point main hall. No need to book- just come along and join the fun! First child with parent/carer: £4, each additional child £2. Refreshments are available to purchase separately.

For **free family friendly events** and **volunteering opportunities**, including **Skills for Health** check out our events calendar on www.compassaberdeen.org.uk or contact compass@cw.t.scot

About us

Compass is a ground-breaking initiative of the medical charity Camphill Wellbeing Trust which is transforming the former Aberdeen Waldorf School site in Cults into a community-orientated resource. Offering hands-on opportunities and practical advice for healthy sustainable living, Compass is open to all.





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The Men's Shed has started to get busier again following the summer holidays but we have been able to keep many lawn mowers and other garden tools going for the folk of Westhill. It has not always been quiet as the Shed Band has been rehearsing weekly on a Wednesday lunchtime. "Johnny and the Deaf-Aids" are on the lookout for interested players.

The Shed recently held their AGM at which the Annual Report for 2024 was approved and the Board of Trustees were elected. We also held a barbecue for members with their family and friends with catering by Milton's Little Kitchen.

Seven shedders visited the Garlogie Beam Engine in July and we look forward to a visit before the end of the year to the Morayvia Air Museum in Kinloss.

We have had visits to the Shed this year from the Westhill Anchor Boys and HRH Prince Edward.

The Shed have invested in a CNC Router which means we can now engrave images on various materials such as wood that can make beautiful house signs for example.

A recent commission for a bee hotel resulted in a stunning creation for someone's garden.

The SheShed have also been busy making bee hotels and has one to make for a school.



Tool Sale- to be held 6th September in the shed

This is the perfect time to get garden tools at good prices and workshop tools so you can move indoors as the winter comes.

We have at the time of writing:

- an extendible hedge trimmer (to reach the top of a hedge)
- 5 chop saws, 2 stick welders and a MIG welder (100A)
- Large angle grinder (230mm, 2200W)
- Some big (mostly floor standing) wood working machines, Sedgewick Planer/thicknesser, Band Saw (Sumaco), Scheppach spindle moulder, a wood lathe, bobbin sander and metal working model makers lathe.
- Lawnflite Garden Tractor 12.5 HP, 30" cut and comes with a snow plough attachment.

Plus, the normal collection of lawn mowers, strimmer's and a new in box pump, and a commercial central heating pump. The pump is being sold for £30, we could get more for scrap but cannot bring ourselves to do it.



Other items will come in before the sale, and some will be sold so if you read anything in this magazine you really want, come to the shed, because when it's gone, it's gone!

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We meet on a Thursday evening from 7 – 9 pm from August to May at the Milne Hall, Kirkton of Skene. We have a new programme in place for the next session and this will include presentations from visiting speakers, indoor workshops and outdoor photography sessions around Aberdeen city and shire.

We have an annual weekend trip away and this year we based ourselves in the Dunfermline area and photographed the Kelpies, sunrise and sunset at the Forth Rail Bridge, Culross and several villages along the Fife Coast. This was well attended, and we will be scheduling a trip to a different location into our programme for next Spring.



We are always looking for new members and offer taster sessions where you can come along to the Club for a few weeks before committing to a membership. You'll be made most welcome!

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BILLS GARDENING CORNER



Well here we are again- AUTUMN. Just as I was getting into the swing of the sunshine, then down came the rain and wind; the damage to the flowers won't be forgotten easily, but we gardeners are built with strong stuff.

Out with the tools for cleaning and replacing, not an easy job but needed, just think of next year and get ready for the next sowing and planting.

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We meet on Mondays and Thursdays at 6.30 pm in the Westhill Academy car park (at the main entrance to the Academy) and run for approx 1 hour with groups completing various distances from 5K – 10K. We have 5 different pace groups ensuring there really is something for everyone. If you're a beginner, all we ask is that you can walk briskly for 30 minutes, and if you're already a regular runner, you'll find plenty of running buddies in our different pace groups.

During the Summer months of lighter nights, as well as running round Westhill on Mondays and Thursdays, we also had a few runs out at Dunecht Estate for a change of scene.

The first running night of each month, is "Bun Run" night and is always popular with runners being rewarded with a fine array of homebakes (or shop-bought goodies – we're not fussy!)

During the year so far, club members have continued to take part in lots of events, covering all sorts of distances from 5K races, weekly ParkRuns, 10K races, half-marathons, full marathons and Ultras!

We are also planning a 10-week Learn to Run programme, lovingly called "Couch to 5K (C25K)", and it's anticipated that this will kick-off in February 2026 with the intention of those who complete the programme taking part in the Balmoral 5K run which takes place in April. Further details will be shared once the programme has been finalised – watch this space!

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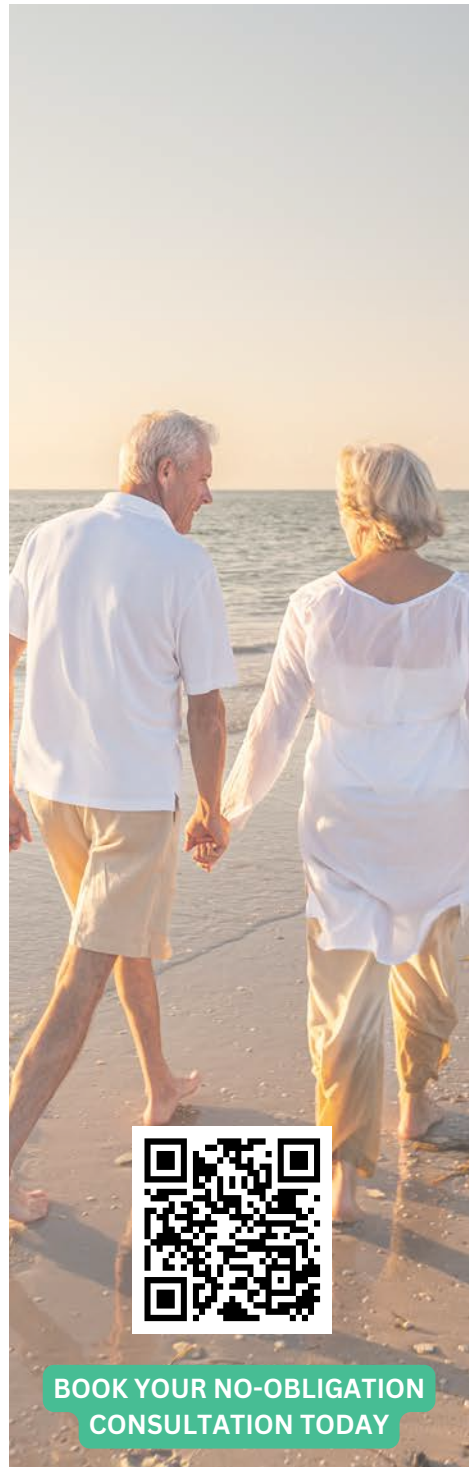
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Our Minister

Our minister, Dave McCarthy, has a passion to serve the local community, but above all to share the love of Jesus Christ and to let everyone know that they are welcomed by God. He can often be found in his office at the church with the door open, so please feel free to drop in!

Dave can also be contacted at dave@westhillcommunitychurch.org

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Change and decay in
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O thou who changest not,
abide with me.*

As the final line will have made clear, this is a verse from the great hymn *Abide with Me*. I'd wager most people have heard it at one time or another: often played at funerals, a favourite of George V, Elizabeth II, and—for some reason—Mahatma Gandhi. Football enthusiasts will recognise it as the song sung before kickoff at the FA Cup final each year. But my reason for quoting it here has to do with the raw power of this second verse, and its fittingness for the times we live in.

Change isn't necessarily bad—or good. It is value-neutral: some change improves life; some does the opposite. But too much change all at once can be unsettling. Our wellbeing so often depends on stability—whether social, political, economic, or ideological. Yet we live in some of the most uncertain times in human history. Technological advances mean the status quo rarely lasts long. What is 'in' one day—be it a fashion, philosophy, or cause—is 'out' the next. Cycles that once took generations now complete in months, thanks in large part to social media.

There is change in how we think about ourselves and the world, and in how younger generations relate to older ones. Beyond that, we've faced the upheaval of Covid, shifting geopolitical dynamics, and growing cultural tensions. Politically, we are more divided than we've been in decades, mirroring deeper ideological rifts. All this change—too much, too fast—and it's no wonder many are feeling unsettled, unsure about the future, and fearful that normalcy may never return.

Where, then, do we turn for the stability we need? For that assurance that we and ours will be looked after? What anchors us, keeps us from being tossed about by the waves of culture and fashion?

I often wonder if this verse made *Abide with Me* so beloved by those in power. They, more than most, understood how variable life could be—and how difficult it is to maintain stability. But perhaps they also realised that, ultimately, they weren't in control. They too were swept up in the ever-shifting tide. Perhaps, then, they recognised that if anything is truly to abide, it must be rooted in something unchanging—beyond the reach of decay.

But that's guesswork: maybe they just liked the tune. But then the lesson is there's something in it for everyone. Perhaps you resonate with this message and feel disturbed by all the change. Perhaps you don't, but still enjoy a good hymn. Or maybe you're just curious. Wherever you are, and whatever your motivation, allow me—still the 'new minister'—to invite you along (or back) to church. There is something for you here. But if you're doubtful, at least do stop me to say hello when you see me out and about.

With warmest regards,
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WESTHILL GOLF CLUB

The summer weather was great for this year's golfing season which has seen a good number of new members joining the club and an increase in visitor numbers coming to play our beautiful course and enjoy the views. The condition of the golf course has been great over this period which is thanks to all the hard work of the green staff and volunteers. With the prolonged periods of warm weather the irrigation system has been used more than normal to keep the greens in the condition we have become accustomed to. Unfortunately we have experienced some damage to the golf course over the last few months mainly the greens, if you are out and about at the golf course and see anything untoward on the course please report to the club. Damage to the course is extremely frustrating to all at the club and especially the greens team.

Our finals day was held on the 17th of August. This is where all the club championships finals are held over all the categories within the club from Juniors, Ladies, Gents through to Seniors. Well done to all the finalists and congratulations to all the winners!

Our Opens have been well attended this season with a large number of entries from visitors, there are a further few more Opens before the season is finished with a Gents Stableford Open on the 11th of October and a mixed Open on Sunday 21st September.

Our Junior section is thriving due to the sterling efforts of coaches and organisers. We run a full Junior Programme from Easter to October which includes all our juniors from beginner to our low handicap players. All suitable ages also participate in several interclub events.

We ran a series of 'Ladies Get into Golf' coaching lessons this summer, encouraging the beginner ladies to take an interest in the sport and play at our club. We are always happy to welcome new Ladies and integrate them into our section.

Within the clubhouse we now have sports packages available to show sport events, football, rugby, golf etc on TV. We have also installed a pool table so along with snooker. If you are not a golfer but want to use these facilities social memberships are available for a nominal fee.

We are currently working to improve the catering we offer to members and visitors. As is common for golf clubs, it can be difficult to get a good match between what the members would like and what works out for the club. Having said that, we are exploring an innovative solution in conjunction with a local supplier so, look out for updates on our social media posts soon.

John Mitchell, Club Captain, Westhill Golf Club, Council of Management

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We reported in Summer Bulletin that there was no applications received by the closing date for the May round. We then accepted a late application from the Community Church for their Asylum Seeker Clothing Hub Ministry. Our donation will help them to buy trainers for the asylum seekers as few good trainers are donated by residents

The next round of donations will be considered in October 2025. Closing date for applications is 3rd October. See <https://westhillelrick.org/people-make-a-place/donations/> for Guidance Notes and the Application form or contact treasurerwecc@gmail.com.





VARAPUNYA Meditation Centre

The Varapunya Meditation Centre is based at Easter Mains Cottage, Kilmundy, just a mile east of Westhill, off the 'old' Westhill Road down a private road. Looking back, so much has changed since I was invited to come to the City of Aberdeen as a new resident monk fourteen years ago.

Now, since moving to Westhill, our place in the community has *really* become my home. With people from so many different backgrounds, religions and other belief systems, we have been able to slowly find a 'rhythm' and it often now feels like family to me. I've learned to accept, respect, and value everyone for who they are. I try to create a space where all people feel included, listened to, and appreciated.



We were delighted that our three short courses, last year and this year, introducing mindfulness meditation, were so warmly received. In particular, without the new hall at that time, the Bowling Club kindly offered accommodation. Over fifty people participated, of all faiths and none, mostly from the Westhill area.

True belonging doesn't mean having to be the same. It means respecting our differences and treating each other with warmth, kindness, true compassion and inclusion. We have different nationalities, beliefs & cultural backgrounds. Sometimes we speak and dress differently too but, at heart, we are all essentially the same, seeking a more peaceful way of life for ourselves, families, friends and others around us. This is why we put so much emphasis on exploring mindfulness meditation with love, kindness and compassion at the heart of the practice.

In a world that often feels divided by race, religion, nationality or other identity, we offer a place to be in harmony with ourselves, others and the world around us. Although the Centre is rooted in Buddhism, it welcomes people from all faiths—or no faith at all. Indeed recently, along with other faith groups, I had the pleasure of blessing the Tall Ships as they left Aberdeen Harbour. Our goal is not to convert anyone, but to connect with one another and grow together in understanding.

In July, after we completed the new 'Uposatha' Meditation Hall, we enshrined the principal Buddha image and have been using the building for daily practice and other events. We expect the official opening will take place next summer. There are regular chanting and personal meditation sessions are at 7am and 7pm each day. Our Wednesday evening sessions, when we try to include meditation guidance for those new to the practice, now take place in a much more spacious room. We'll also begin our short courses again in the autumn. All are welcome to come and learn and practice. So, you are warmly invited to join us at any time we are 'at home' but, for now, why not just come along for 7pm on Wednesdays, no need to book. Everyone is welcome!



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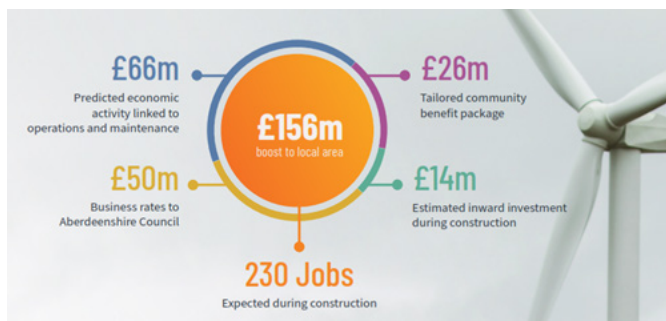


Hill of Fare Wind Farm - from developer RES

To increase the awareness by Westhill residents of the proposed Hill of Fare Wind Farm near Banchory, we invited the developer RES and the opposition group HOFWIG to submit articles for the Bulletin. Below is the article from RES and next page is the one from HOFWIG. Note that WECC has not taken a position either for or against the proposal

Scotland has some of the best wind resource in Europe, making it an onshore wind powerhouse and an industry that makes a positive social, economic, and environmental contribution to society. In 2022 alone, the renewable energy industry supported more than 47,000 jobs and created economic activity worth £15.5 billion to Scotland. Furthermore, onshore wind is increasing the UK's energy security by providing domestic electricity generation for homes and businesses.

In November 2023, RES, a British business with a proud history in Scotland, submitted our planning application for the proposed 16-turbine Hill of Fare Wind Farm, located approximately 15km from Westhill, to the Scottish Government's Energy Consents Unit (ECU). RES is the world's largest independent renewable energy company, delivering more than 28GW of renewable energy across the globe over the last 40+ years - including Meikle Carewe Wind Farm near Stonehaven. We're committed to developing long-term relationships and benefits for the communities around our projects and the Hill of Fare Wind Farm, if consented, will be no different. The proposed wind farm is predicted to deliver a £150 million injection into the local economy and provide more than 200 construction jobs.



An infographic splitting out the predicted local benefits that Hill of Fare would bring, if consented

To help grow an industry like onshore wind, with its roots in Scotland, means continuing to inspire, upskill, and provide vocational training to the workforce of the future. Over the last year, 55 school students from across Aberdeenshire have been welcomed to the operational Meikle Carewe Wind Farm near Stonehaven by RES. S4-6 students from Banchory, Mearns, and Bucksburn Academies, who are studying specific energy curriculums,

were given tours of the site, learned how the 12-turbine project was constructed and now operates, and actively participated in wider discussions on green skills and career opportunities.

Whilst providing valuable careers and substantial local investment, wind farms also have the ability to boost community projects and enable priorities locally to be met through community benefit funds. Operational wind farms in Scotland offer a community benefit fund to either support local groups or provide capital funds for larger infrastructure projects. The Hill of Fare Wind Farm specifically, has the ability to deliver a tailored community benefit package worth £26.4 million over the project's 50-year lifetime.

The submitted application for Hill of Fare Wind Farm will next be considered at a Public Local Inquiry (PLI) in September 2025. Over recent months we have been providing additional information on a number of topics including, private water supplies, peat, and red kites. This additional information has led to the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) and NatureScot confirming they have no objection to the project. The PLI will commence on **Tuesday 2nd September 2025** at Banchory Town Hall and is scheduled to finish by Thursday 11th September. Following the PLI, the appointed Reporter at the Department of Planning and Environmental Appeals (DPEA) will submit a report and a final determination will be made by Scottish Ministers thereafter.

For more information and to be kept informed on the PLI process, please visit the dedicated project website www.hilloffare-windfarm.co.uk.

Hill of Fare Wind Farm - from opposition group HOFWIG

Renewable Energy Systems Ltd (RES) are proposing a 108MW, 180m to 200m tall, 16 turbine windfarm on the Hill of Fare, with battery storage covering 1.5 hectares for ~2 hours supply to 100,000 homes.

If this goes ahead it will be clearly seen by Westhill residents from many locations on the way to Banchory and Alford and is bound to bring other major developments to the Grampian outlier hills in its wake.

The Hill of Fare project has followed the planning process and is now subject to a public inquiry which was triggered by Aberdeenshire Council Infrastructure Services Committee unanimously objecting to the development.

This project is said to be part of the drive to transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy, which is led by non-integrated commercial and political interests.

Developers are entitled to apply for a contract to supply electricity to the market through the government 'contract for difference' process, where they are guaranteed an electricity price for an amount of electricity developed, whether it is generated or not. This would be the same as an oil company being paid by the government to develop a field at a guaranteed oil price and volume but not having to deliver it.

Climate change is now a major topic of the 21st century which is generating much publicity, activity and debate. Transitions to renewables have been active in Scotland for 30 years and now it has come to the gateway to Deeside, on the Hill of Fare.

In considering exactly what is proposed, what it means for the world, the communities and what the project offers, it is clear there are only a few beneficiaries, namely the landowners, the developers and perhaps the politicians.

This investigation of what RES propose for the Hill of Fare shows clearly that it breaks planning guidelines "to avoid ridges and skylines" and does not save any carbon. In fact HoFWIG's calculations using the Scottish Governments carbon calculator tool shows the windfarm generates carbon as a result of the grid currently being so green and it displaces so little fossil fuel generated electricity it does not pay back its own emissions from manufacture and development.

Also the development could put the private water supplies of more than 120 homes at risk of contamination, without any safeguards beyond private legal action.

Scotland can now provide all the electricity it needs from renewables on an average windy day. Future wind farms in Scotland generate electricity primarily for export to England, but where the transmission connections to England are unlikely to be adequate for a number of years, if at all.

In our well-resourced, democratic nation, the subject of climate change brings to the surface an overwhelming need to do something, anything, so we feel we are playing our part. This seems to lead to politicians and developers acting with impunity by limiting the supply of public information so that it supports their case.

The Hill of Fare Windfarm is the wrong project, in the wrong place, costing the consumer and the nation a huge amount and giving it and the climate nothing in return.

A public inquiry runs from 2nd to 12th September at Banchory Town Hall, where you can hear arguments for and against. The reporter's recommendation will reach the Scottish Government in January 2026. We urge Westhill residents to attend and support our campaign. Legal and advocacy efforts require resources—please donate to our campaign fund at www.tinyurl.com/campaign-support to help us challenge this. Together, we can stop this wind farm and protect our hills from more to come.

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Hill of Fare Windfarm Group

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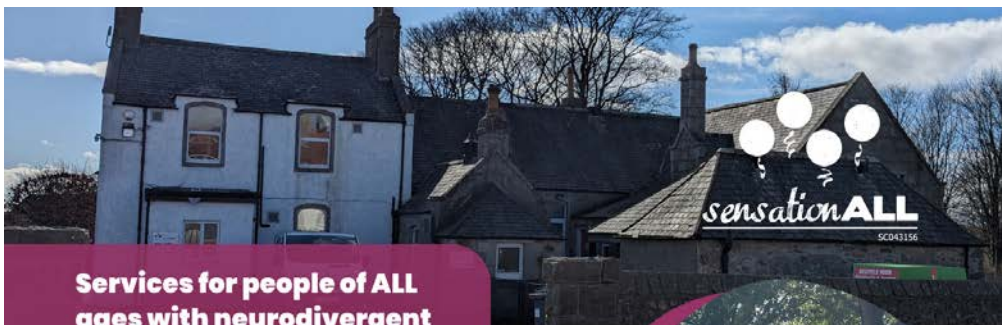
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Garden party

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The summer holidays can be a difficult time for families who have children with additional needs as they can be overwhelmed in busy or noisy environments. SensationALL is a special place, where their sensory needs are our primary concern and by keeping groups small and tailoring activities we make sure everyone feels comfortable and included.



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LYNE OF SKENE VILLAGE HALL

Are you looking for a venue for your next party, quiz night, coffee morning or fayre? Are you looking for somewhere to run a series of classes? If you are, please add Lyne of Skene Village Hall to your list of possibilities. Located all on one floor, it comprises one large hall and one smaller hall, along with accessible toilet facilities. The small hall incorporates kitchen facilities and also a coal fire for the cooler times of the year. In addition, both halls are fitted with wall-mounted heaters, whilst trestle tables and seating are plentiful. On-site car parking is also available for about 20 vehicles.



Unfortunately, due to the ongoing financial issues being experienced across all sectors, we have reluctantly taken the decision to increase the rates whilst remaining highly competitive and attractive:

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Our monthly "Bide A While" coffee and home-bake mornings have proved extremely popular. Lyne of Skene committee members together with a team of local/willing helpers host these events between 10.30am and 2.30pm on the last Saturday of each month. These will continue through the cooler months, albeit with more appropriate offerings of soup and a sandwich.

A recent Race Night fundraiser took place at The Ashvale Restaurant in Aberdeen, which raised a 4-figure sum, and was very well attended. Sincere thanks to all who attended and/or supported the event, to the hosts and to David Ritchie and his minibus drivers. The new Committee aim to run as a non-profit organisation, with all monies raised going towards the continued upkeep, licensing and insuring of the Hall for public benefit.

Our next fundraiser will be a Ladies Pop-Up Shop & Fun Fashion Show on Thursday 18 September in the Lyne of Skene Village Hall (7pm for 7.30pm). Clothing from High Street stores (e.g. M & S, River Island, Wallis, White Stuff) will be modelled and offered for sale at heavily discounted prices. Outfits and accessories will be available to try on and purchase on the night. Tickets are priced at £10 per person, which will cover the cost of the Show, a complimentary Forest Farms Dairy ice-cream during the interval, and an opportunity to win a £50 voucher to use on the night. Contact Kath on 07743-706668 for tickets.

The new Committee aim to run as a non-profit organisation, with all monies raised going towards the continued upkeep, licensing and insuring of the Hall for public benefit.

Future fundraising events and a list of current classes/activities can be found on our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/lyneofskenevillagehall>

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1st Skene Girls' Brigade

We are having our Enrolment / Fun Night on Monday 25th August 2025 in Trinity Church from 6-7.30pm. Come along and find out what we do on a Monday night and join in the fun and make new friends.

All girls will be made welcome from P1 – S6,
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Any questions please do not hesitate to contact myself: FIONA CUMMING (CAPTAIN) on 07792 471199 or email fionacumming26@icloud.com

WESTHILL – BIKE CLUB –



What fantastic summer weather we enjoyed for Westhill Bike Club's 10th Anniversary year. Founded in 2015 as a friendly, non- competitive club, for Westhill and the surrounding communities, bringing together like-minded, adult cyclists who love exploring Aberdeenshire's stunning landscape. Many friendships are made, many miles traversed and many cups of coffee and slices of cake consumed.

It is with sadness we say goodbye to Graham Ogston, Founder, Club Chairman and backbone of Westhill Bike Club as he moves on to new challenges, thank you Graham.



With autumn in the air, the club will continue to ride as long as conditions are favourable. Club rides start at either Westhill Community Church on Old Skene Road or outside Greggs, Westhill Shopping Centre. We have an active Facebook page where we share pictures of our adventures and social rides and information about social events, but ride details are shared with members via the Spond app. If you would like to join us on one of the rides, please feel free to contact us on info@westhillbikeclub.com. Nobody gets left behind, rides are no-drop with regroupings and plenty of encouragement. Why not come along for a taster session, complete beginners and experienced cyclists are welcome.

Current ride schedule:-

Wednesday Evening Social ride – about 30km/19 miles leaving 1830

Wednesday Morning Social ride – about 40km/26 miles leaving 0900 with café stop

Saturday & Sunday Social rides – longer rides exploring Aberdeenshire's best roads, always a café stop.

We have updated our website, go ahead and take a look at westhillbikeclub.com and we look forward to meeting more cycle enthusiasts.



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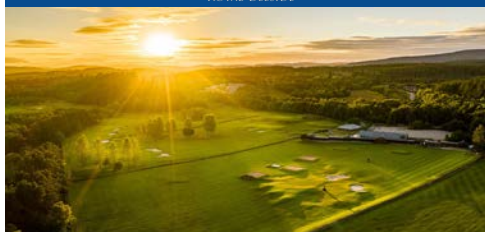
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EMBRACE THE ADVENTURE



I am finding I am getting asked more about Small Group Adventure Travel, so I thought I would highlight why this type of travel is something you may want to consider.

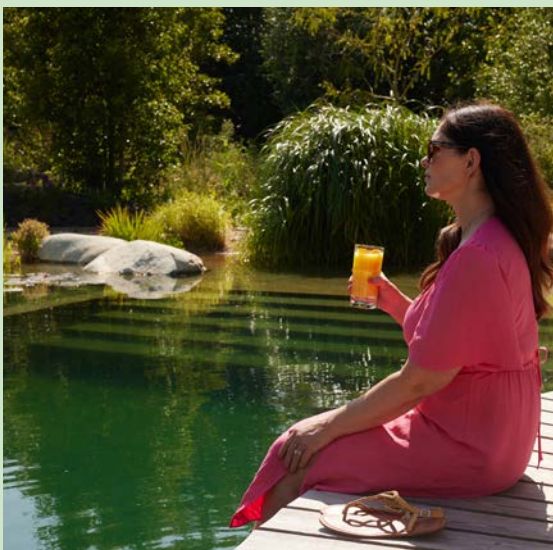
In today's fast-paced world, it's all too easy to fall into a routine—work, home, repeat. Adventure and touring travel offers a way to break free from the ordinary and connect with the world around you.

Whether you're travelling with your family, your partner, heading out on a solo escape, joining a group of like-minded explorers opens the door to meaningful experiences and lifelong memories.

Families benefit from everything being organised in a safe secure environment. Local guides bring the destination to life, with specific trips tailored to children and young people. There is nothing better than education through experience, learning about different cultures, visiting local families in quiet corners of Thailand, learning how to cook in Vietnam or zip lining in the Costa Rican jungle, the list is endless. There are some amazing experiences out there and all you have to do is check in and turn up.

If you are planning a trip on your own, but would rather have the security of a group of people with the same interests around you, then these types of trip are perfect. Often there are no or reduced single room supplements, making it more affordable. Whether it's a food and wine tour, cycling trip, or nature expedition, travelling with others who share your interests creates instant connection.

Equally brilliant for couples, maybe visiting a destination for the first time, with limited time. Imagine hitting the ground running with a local guide meeting you and showing you the popular sites and going beneath the surface of hard to find spots. Knowing the best places to get a local meal and the best views for your holiday photos.



Adventure travel, probably conjures up thoughts of white water rafting or hiking and it can be that. However, it doesn't have to be, exploring the cities of Italy or taking in the iconic landmarks of Vietnam and Cambodia for example are still an adventure. There are no huge groups following someone with a flag on these kind of trips either, these are smaller groups and there is often several additional options of trips you can do in your free time.

Whether you're chasing waterfalls with your kids, reconnecting with your partner on a scenic trail, setting off solo in search of something more, or bonding with fellow travellers who share your passion, adventure travel offers something for everyone.

If you're ready to pack your bags and need some help. Contact me via the ad on page 59 - or follow me on Facebook/Instagram for updates.

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Library news

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Summer Reading Challenge

Thank you to everyone who took part in this year's challenge. A huge number of books were read, events attended and challenge cards submitted to the prize draw. The draw for the winners takes place very soon at library headquarters in Oldmeldrum. Good luck!

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We started our new Rotary year at the beginning of July with the inauguration of our new president, Alison Forsyth. Alison has laid out her plans and goals for the coming year and all our Rotarians are keen to provide support during her year in office.

Community Engagement

Our monthly litter picks continue during the summer, helping to keep Westhill tidy and our Rotarians have been helping out at community events such as Echt Show and as far afield as Aboyne Highland Games.

Lazy Sunday

Lazy Sunday was yet again a great success and it was wonderful to see so many of our community joining together for a fun day out in Westhill.



aims to develop leadership, team building and problem-solving skills through a programme of outdoor activities, challenges and adventure.

Supporting Good Causes

Our Rotary Funfairs have been busy during the summer at events including the Lazy Sunday, Culter Gala and Kids Out, and our members, notably Margaret and Colin Currie, have been all over Aberdeenshire with our Bric-a-Brac stall raising funds for our youth projects. Our Annual Family Fun Bike Ride at Dunecht Estate raised around £700 for International charity Sand Dams.

Past President Ash Major ended his year with substantial donations from the Club to Alzheimer Scotland, UCAN 'SURE' Appeal, Aberdeen University School of Medicine 'Patient Partners', Community Food Initiatives North East (cfine) and NERVS, based in Aberdeen, and also working out of Elgin

Social Events

It's not all "hard work and no play". Our members have enjoyed several social events over the last few months including a wine tasting evening at the Westhill Bowling Club, a walk around the March Stones around Westhill, a visit to Marshall's Farm Shop and a summer barbecue for our members and partners.

Senior Citizens Christmas Party

The Senior Citizens Christmas party will be held in the Ashdale Hall on Sunday 7th December. Posters and further details will be publicised shortly.



Inspiring the Next Generation

Our RYLA candidate attended the most recent Rotary Youth Leadership camp in July and we look forward to hearing about her experiences at one of our future meetings. The Rotary Youth Leadership Award is a week-long, residential camp for 16 and 17 years olds living in the North and East of Scotland, fully sponsored by local Rotary clubs. It

If you would like to find out more about Rotary and give something back to the community either by becoming a Rotary member or simply to lend a hand with some of our projects, then please get in touch -Secretary@Westhill.rotary1010.org or contact us via our Facebook page: facebook.com/westhillrotary



Aberdeenshire Lieutenancy

The Lord-Lieutenant's Update



Appointment of New Vice Lord-Lieutenant and Six Deputy Lieutenants for Aberdeenshire

I am delighted to welcome The Lady Saltoun as my new Vice Lord-Lieutenant following the retirement of Joanna, The Marchioness of Aberdeen DL. I am also very pleased to appoint six new Deputy Lieutenants, each of whom brings a unique set of skills, experience, and service to Aberdeenshire. From charitable and community leadership to military service and commercial expertise, they have already made a significant contribution to our communities throughout the county. The newly appointed Deputy Lieutenants are: The Marquess of Aberdeen and Temair Bt DL (George), Mrs Sarah Bell DL, Major (Retd) Nicholas Champion MBE DL, Mrs Laura McNeil DL, Major (Retd) Toby Rider MC DL, Commodore Hector Robert (Bob) Sanguinetti RN(Retd) DL. Aberdeenshire is a wonderfully diverse and beautiful county with an enormous number of individuals and voluntary groups who work tirelessly to enhance the quality of life and cohesion in our

communities. As a Lieutenancy we try and amplify the work of His Majesty The King by encouraging, supporting and recognising such selfless contributions.



Anniversaries and Birthdays

One of the Lieutenancy's roles continues to be to ensure that messages of congratulations are delivered from Their Majesties, The King and Queen to those celebrating their 60th, 65th, 70th or 75th wedding anniversaries and 100th and 105th Birthdays. My Deputies and I are also delighted to visit on the day of such special milestones and present a card and our personal congratulations. Information can be found on the Aberdeenshire Lieutenancy website.

<https://www.lordlieutenant-aberdeenshire.co.uk/> or contact us on info@lordlieutenant-aberdeenshire.co.uk

Professor James N'Dow OBE DL visited Mr & Mrs Walter & Lillian Smith, Westhill, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Walter is 88 and

still a keen gardener while Lillian is 81. They have three daughters, Jaqueline, Teresa & Morag, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. They always have great fun with the children and look forward to spending many more years together.

Lord Lieutenant Cadet – Cadet Warrant Officer Ainslie Norris

Cadet Warrant Officer Ainslie Norris of 875 (Westhill) Squadron ATC raised the Flag at the Aberdeenshire Council Flag Raising Day on 23rd June. I am delighted to have Ainslie as one of my Lord Lieutenant Cadets for the year.

You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram – 'Lord-Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire'

Very best wishes to you all

Sandy Manson, His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire

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Very best wishes to you all, Sandy Manson, His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire



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