

Pickering Ward Newsletter Spring 2026

Community Litter Picks

The Friends of Gower Park have been busy throughout the year organising regular community litter picks in Gower Park and the surrounding area. These take place on the **last Saturday of every month**, and **everyone is welcome** to attend.

The Friends of Gower Park will continue their litter picks throughout 2026 and are always looking for new members to join. This is a great opportunity to improve your local area and meet new people. You can contact the Friends of Gower Park on Facebook if you have any questions.

Meeting point - Outside the main entrance to Gower Park

Time - 10.30am

Thank you to the Friends of Gower Park for helping keep our area tidy.



Beats Bus



The Beats Bus visited Gower Park on 21 March 2026.

During the event, young people from the local area had the opportunity to learn more about hip-hop, DJing, mixing music and rap.

It was great to see so many young people enjoying themselves and making the most of this fantastic resource. Thanks to Beats Bus and the Two Ridings Community Foundation for supporting this.

Christmas Wreath Making

At Christmas, we held our first wreath-making sessions at St Nicholas Church on Hessle Road. The sessions were very popular, and all 24 spaces got booked up quickly! The sessions were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone and helped spread plenty of festive cheer. We look forward to planning other events of this type in the future.



Regeneration of Boothferry Tower Blocks

The Boothferry tower blocks are due to be demolished in the coming months as part of a **controlled demolition programme**. The Regeneration Team has provided the following update:

"The Council has appointed a contractor for the demolition of the flats, and they are currently mobilising on site. The contractor will start with ensuring the buildings are safe for the demolition to commence, meaning over the coming weeks, residents will see progress on the demolition of the flats. Further updates will be provided as the demolition gains pace."

Hanging Basket Event

Residents are invited to take part in a make your own hanging basket event at St Nicholas Church on Thursday 11 June 2026. There will be two sessions starting at 10.00am and 1.00pm. Participants can choose to plant either cherry tomatoes or strawberries.

There are limited spaces available, and prebooking is a must.

To book your place, please contact Lisa Bendelow via -

- Text - 07725 481280
- Email - west.areacommittee@hullcc.gov.uk

Make sure to include –

- your name
- your address
- whether you would like tomatoes or strawberries.



Community Walks

Community Walks are returning this summer. These are gentle walks around the Summergroves area, designed to encourage people to get active and connect with others. We are usually joined by colleagues from Humberside Police, Humberside Fire and Rescue and local Ward Councillors.

Meeting point - top of Sable Close
Time - 2pm

Dates -

- Tuesday 16 June 2026
- Tuesday 14 July 2026
- Tuesday 18 August 2026
- Tuesday 15 September 2026



Mobile Ward Forums

Mobile Ward Forums will be taking place again this summer, providing residents with the chance to meet their Councillors, local Police officers, the Anti-social Behaviour team, and other partner organisations.

These forums offer an opportunity to discuss local issues, raise concerns, and receive updates on what is happening in your area.

If you would like a Mobile Ward Forum to visit your area, contact Lisa Bendelow - west.areacommittee@hullcc.gov.uk

Check out the notice boards in the area for more up to date information and social media, Facebook - west area committee.

Gower Park Family Fun Day

Last year, we celebrated the opening of the newly refurbished Gower Park, with a family fun day where the park was officially opened by the Lord Mayor of Hull.

Due to the success of that event, we are pleased to confirm that we will be holding another Family Fun Day on Friday 14 August 2026

We are just at the planning stage at present and hope to provide more information soon.

More details will be shared later in the summer via our noticeboards and Facebook page (West Hull Area Committee).



Love Your Neighbourhood

Love your Neighbourhood have been back in our ward in April.

They have been working in the Berry's area of the ward around Cranberry Way and surrounding streets. Their tasks have included clearing up moss on the pavements, edging the kerbs, cutting back bushes and generally tidying up the area.

Love Your Neighbourhood will be back in the Pickering ward later this year.

Your community – what's happening!



HU4 Community Trust

HU4 work hard providing a service to the community - did you know that they offer meals daily for just £4, that includes a main, a dessert and a drink. Check out the HU4 Facebook for what's on today's menu.

They also provide a food bank and food parcels for those who need them.

The HU4 group are looking for volunteers. If you can give just an hour or two this would be a great way to give back to the community and help others.

The HU4 Community Trust are open -

- Tuesday to Friday - 9.30am to 2pm
- Saturday - 9.30am to Lunch

St Nicholas Church

In Summer 2025 a new vicar started at St Nicholas Church - we would like to welcome Revd Tanya Lord to the Ward. Since joining the Parish, Tanya has working alongside the West Area Team – enabling us to hold many events at the church and engage with our residents. Tanya has also arranged for WIFI to be installed in the community halls, providing free internet access with plans to build on this in the future.

Currently the hall is busy with regular events including -

- First and third Tuesday of the month - morning coffee club, which includes bottomless tea and a bacon bap
- Wednesday - morning toddler group
- Wednesday - afternoon the “Pearls of the Parish” are teaching crafting from 2pm to 4pm with knitting and crotchet
- You can find out more about the church and activities on their Facebook page - St Nicholas Church

Have your say (West Hull Survey)

We are keen to understand what you think of your local area.

What you think is important to us and helps us identify what matters most to the people who live and work in our area and what priorities we should focus on.



You can have your say by scanning the QR code opposite or visiting <https://yoursay.hull.gov.uk/hub-page/my-community-west-hull>