



Photo: Rob Arthur Photography

# Shared Spaces: Using all kinds of technology to connect communities

*or*

Why you should make your own jam.

**Diane Sims @72prufrocks**  
Kirklees Council

**Andrew Wilson @fishrpeople2**  
Thumbprint Co-operative

**[bit.ly/sharedspacesguide](http://bit.ly/sharedspacesguide)**



Photo: Rose Bax, Taste the Wild

# people

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NEWSOME PLAY DAY  
Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Aug 11-4pm  
Aishenhurst Rec + Woodlands  
by skate park

## **Our approach...**

- 1. It's about the outcomes, not the technology.**
- 2. We use a very broad definition of social media.**

We use the term “social media” to describe any kind of tool that you can use for sharing what you know, including (but not limited to): blogs, photo sharing, video sharing, social networks, mobile phone applications, texting, digital TV services, wikis, gaming and collaboration tools.

- 3. Our guidelines are open & available online.**

We believe in sharing...

**[www.socialmedia.kirklees.gov.uk](http://www.socialmedia.kirklees.gov.uk)**



# Social Media Guidelines

We are using social media for communication, engagement and collaboration.



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Remember - it's the way you use it that makes it social.

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## Social media in Kirklees

We want our staff, ward councillors and partners to think about how social media can help us to achieve specific outcomes, work together better, improve public services and contribute to the aims of Kirklees Council.



## Guidelines

Just getting started? Read our policy and general guidelines. We'll be adding other guidelines in response to your needs, so please let us know if you need guidance about a specific issue.

## Social Media Policy

[Code of conduct – using social media in your work](#)

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## Case studies

Want to get a better idea of what's possible? Here are some examples of how we're using social media in Kirklees and what we've learnt so far.

## Shared Spaces

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## Resources

Looking for some examples and advice from further afield? Try these useful reports and other online resources.

[Listen, Participate, Transform](#)

[Local by Social](#)

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[Online Neighbourhood Networks Study](#)

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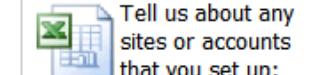
 

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## Keep us informed

Tell us about what you're doing with social media:

[Contact us](#)

## Subscribe

Enter your email address to be notified of the latest guidelines etc. by email.



We've adopted the Young Foundation's social media framework.

@mari\_browne



@72prufrocks



@hadleybeeman

@SL\_Cities



@StevenTuck

SOCIAL MEDIA IS  
EMPOWERING,  
EQUAL, DEMOCRATIC,  
SPONTANEOUS,  
EASY



Sometimes 'blue whale' is the right answer...

Have a different kind of conversation with people.

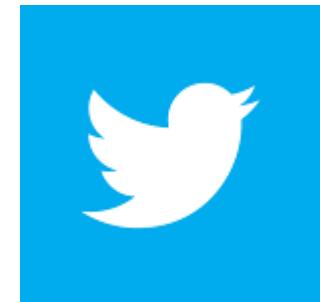
Kirklees Noise Team  
@KirkleesNoise

The world's loudest creature is the blue whale. It can make sounds up to 188 decibels and be heard 100s of miles away. #Noise #Facts

1 RETWEET

11:32 PM - 1 Feb 13

Reply to @KirkleesNoise



Q. How many ways are there to start a conversation?

A. Lots.



# Pink hair... this man may sue us :-)

**Interactions**

**Kirklees Council** @KirkleesCouncil 13m  
The story of this year's Festival of Light, told with your pics + tweets: sfy.co/cBjT Thanks for sharing. #fol12  
[View summary](#)

**Food on the Field** @foodonthefield 10m  
@KirkleesCouncil Im still trying to get the glitter off!! :-)  
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**Kirklees Council** @KirkleesCouncil 10m  
@foodonthefield oh, I don't think you're meant to take it off. You have to stay like that...;-)  
[Expand](#)

**Food on the Field** @foodonthefield 10m  
@KirkleesCouncil Forever??? Oh man.....  
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12:35 PM - 10 Dec 12 · Details

**Food on the Field** @foodonthefield 8 Dec  
@KirkleesCouncil I may sue! ;-)  
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**Food on the Field** @foodonthefield  
Thank u huddersfield festival of light...@KirkleesCouncil  
pic.twitter.com/efabjwov  
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**Food on the Field** @foodonthefield  
And the end result..special..@KirkleesCouncil  
pic.twitter.com/q4Wnas5g  
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## Red noses and red lights



**Greenhead Park** · 3,598 like this.  
15 March at 01:30 ·

Happy Red Nose Day! I'm wearing my kilt today so we're gonna have a game of "Guess what's in my sporran!"

Keep it clean you saucy devils! The correct (or closest by the end of the day) answer wins a cup of tea and a cake from Colettes courtesy of me.

I'll give you a clue: it was something I grabbed off my desk this morning when I arrived in work. (Anyone who's been in the office, this may not help much as my office is rather 'special' ;-)

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 Samantha HodgsonwasSands, Glenn Coleman, Melanie Palmer and 8 others like this.

 **Karon Whitehead** Is it a bar code for park run lol  
15 March at 01:36 ·  1

 **Dawn PoshBird Crossley** In this weather? I didn't know they did blue 'nose' day lol x  
15 March at 01:37 via mobile ·  1

 **Abbey Greenhough** Stapler, never seen your desk but they all have one 😊  
15 March at 01:38 via mobile ·  1

 **Greenhead Park** All good answers but no winner yet! Keep 'em coming 😊  
15 March at 01:43

 **Amanda Jane Lewis** a red nose 😊  
15 March at 01:45 ·  1

 **Greenhead Park** Ooh! Good idea but sadly not.  
15 March at 01:47

 **Dave DB Beal** if you're a proper Scot it'll be a Tunnock's Caramel Wafer  
15 March at 01:48 via mobile



**Kirklees Noise Team**  
@KirkleesNoise



Following

Made the mistake of parking in the 'red light' area to take notes. Moved on quickly after attracting the attention of some 'ladies'.

 Reply  Retweet  Favorite  More

### Don't be afraid to:

- add a little colour
- be a human being
- say sorry
- say thank you
- just talk



Kirklees Council @KirkleesCouncil

18 Jan

Our 3rd full grit today started at 7pm. We're also gritting at 5am.  
Check which roads are being gritted at: [bit.ly/kirkgritmap](http://bit.ly/kirkgritmap)

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7:54 PM - 18 Jan 13 · Details

## What we learned this Winter:

- some new (unrepeatable) words
- patience is a virtue
- it snows on Wednesdays
- how to do the bin hokey cokey
- you can't compete with Elvis
- we're really looking forward to Spring

### Elvis helps spread gritting message in new online video

Posted on: Monday 21 January 2013



#### In the Depot



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482,608

like 2,703 comment 134



@KirkleesCouncil the making of the banner <http://pic.twitter.com/BPXlyhBx>

SALLY BLOXSOME · 7 MONTHS AGO · ORIGINAL LINK  
REPLY RETWEET FAVORITE



#kirkleestorch St Saviour's junior school welcomes the Olympic torch to Batley!  
It's almost here!! <http://pic.twitter.com/vQX1P7Xr>

LAURA D · 7 MONTHS AGO · ORIGINAL LINK REPLY RETWEET FAVORITE



Crowds gather for the torch #kirkleestorch #Olympictorch  
<http://pic.twitter.com/ttkjygfi>

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REPLY RETWEET FAVORITE

## What we learned last Summer:

- people love to share
- if you wait for it, you've already missed it
- we can only tell the story between us



What can  
you use  
texting  
for?

send

# Increase attendance



**Meet Friday 11am  
@ Starbucks for  
free drinks, then  
185 bus to  
Devonshire Rd  
Nature Reserve  
(fairs paid). Bring  
a sandwich and  
water :)**

“The messages make the difference  
to whether I come or not”

Karen

Share useful information  
about services

Battery  
Replacement  
Service for hearing  
aids available in  
Torrington Cottage  
Hospital for more  
information call  
01805 622208

TorrAGE Neighbourhood Links, a service for older people in Devon

Make people happier

A year's plan  
starts with  
spring; a day's  
plan starts with  
early morning.  
Chinese proverb



Diane, Cherry and Carole will be at the allotment this Sunday, 25th March from about 10am. We'll be planting potatoes and other things. All welcome.

# Thumbprint

“They make you feel as though somebody or something out there knows you are alive. They make you smile if you are a bit down.”

John

# A web page to send and receive text messages to and from groups and individuals.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL [thumbprintcity.com](http://thumbprintcity.com) in the address bar. The page title is "Thumbprint City". The main content area features a red box on the left containing text about creating a page for messaging, followed by a list of six bullet points. To the right, there's a "Get started" section with links to "Create a page" or "Sign In", and a sidebar with a search bar and a list of letters for navigation.

Create a page and use it to send and receive text messages

- \* It's free to create a page and always will be
- \* You can create as many pages as you like
- \* People don't have to sign up to join in
- \* It's easy to use and we'll help you if you get stuck
- \* Sending a text to Thumbprint City costs the same as sending one to a friend

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# Who Owns My Neighbourhood?

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Find out who owns places near you, and help take responsibility for land, buildings and activities in your neighbourhood. This site features [Kirklees land ownership data](#) only at the moment.

Enter postcode or postcode sector (eg HD1):



Berry Brow by Alison Munday

## What's happening near you

Local organisation: Newsome Out To Play

Local names: Stirley Hill Farm

Local names: Stirley Community Farm

Local news: This plot is at the centre of Stirley Community Farm,...

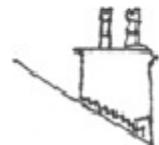
A community contact has been added to plot 5712

Local organisation: Growing Newsome

Local organisation: Yorkshire Wildlife Trust

Another user has signed up for updates about plot 7042

Enter postcode or postcode sector (eg HD1):



[ownsmyneighbourhood.org.uk/](http://ownsmyneighbourhood.org.uk/)

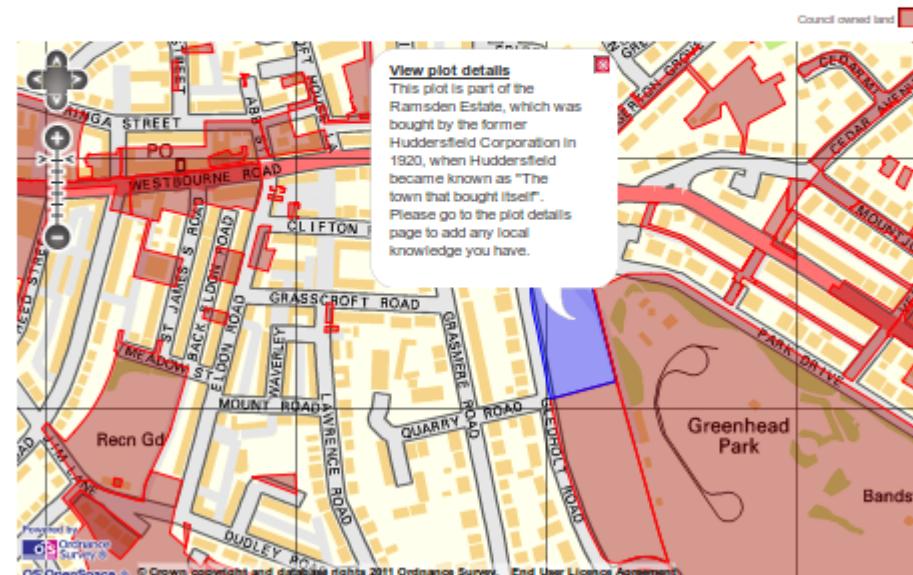
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### Who Owns My Neighbourhood?

This service has been brought to you by [Thumbprint Co-operative](#)

It has been produced as part of Kirklees Council's open data initiative in partnership with [Nesta](#)



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Ownership: this plot of land is owned by Kirklees Council

Land Registry Title: WYK803912

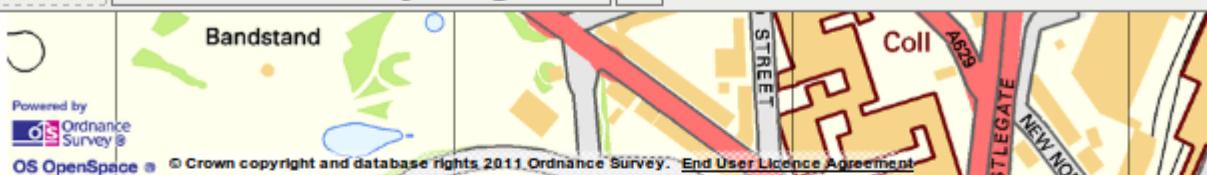
This plot is part of the Ramsden Estate, which was bought by the former Huddersfield Corporation in 1920, when Huddersfield became known as "The town that bought itself". The area of land included in the Ramsden Estate is extremely large, so it is recorded a bit differently from the other plots of land that Kirklees Council owns. For example, we don't have individual plot descriptions for land that is part of the Ramsden Estate.

Land and Property FAQs

**Land ownership issues:** any questions on this subject should be emailed to the Terrier team at [dps@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:dps@kirklees.gov.uk)

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### Community contacts

A community contact is anyone who wants to get involved with discussions around this land, the buildings on it, or how it could be used.

If you want the latest information it might be quicker to ask the community contacts rather than the council.

Anyone can be a community contact for this plot - and they can join or leave whenever that suits them.

Council officers are welcome to become community contacts for land, buildings or activities they are responsible for.

A daily compilation of any comments that are added to this page are emailed to all the community contacts.

Personal contact details of community contacts are not shared with anybody at all, not even the other community contacts.

If community contacts want to get in touch with each other please do so through this site and arrange to share details through another channel if necessary.

Report a problem: [to Kirklees Council](#)

This plot of land has one community contact.

[Add me as a community contact for this plot](#)

[Send a message to the community contacts](#)

Send your message

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<http://whoownsmyneighbourhood.org.uk/plot/6711>

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We can send you weekly email updates whenever there are any changes for this plot.

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We will only send an email if something happens, if it doesn't, you won't get anything from us.

We will send out updates whenever there is a new planning application for this plot or when more contributions have been added to this page.

http://whoownsmyneighbourhood.org.uk/plot/6618

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**Local news**

What are the latest goings on on this plot of land?

Add your news

**Local names** open

**Local history** open

**Local organisations** open

**Local news**

Be the first to add local news about this plot

**Local names**

Ashenhurst Rec  
12th January 2011, 22:40

**Local history**

Be the first to add local historical details about this plot

**Local organisations**

[Newsome Out To Play](#)

Applications Places System ?

David Brown's relocation could provide opportunity for the Meltham Greenway | Adam Brookes - Mozilla Firefox

File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

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Saddleworth

As I have [discussed in a previous post](#), the long term aim of the Meltham Greenway project is to create a cycle route linking Huddersfield with the small town of Meltham, making use of the trackbed of the disused Meltham Branch Line where possible. The potential redevelopment of David Brown's Lockwood site could provide an opportunity for another part of this route to be secured.

Map of Lockwood showing possible route for the Greenway

Lockwood

UPDATE (12 January)

The launch of the [Who Owns My Neighbourhood project](#) has provided some interesting new information regarding this situation. It confirms my understanding that Kirklees own the section of the former Meltham Branch Line adjacent to the Penistone Line. More interestingly though, it seems to suggest that some of the David Brown site is on Kirklees land which I assume they lease. If David Brown were to relocate, this could make it even more feasible for a route for the Meltham Greenway to be found.

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— Debbie Abrahams: I used to live in Newhey

Labour shouldn't be too smug about Oldham East and Saddleworth →

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## Latest opportunities

Follow the Progress of the Central Library Renovation! Wednesday, 30 May 2012 -

# Election Tales

Local people reporting on the local elections in Kirklees

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## Use your common sense

Posted on May 5, 2011 by dianesims | Leave a comment



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## What's Growing in Newsome?

Stirley Community Farm volunteers Charlotte and Gavin made a short video about what's going on down at Growing Newsome's community allotment...

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Posted by cholgate on 20/03/2012



## Stirley Community Farm Update: Our First Calf Arrives

Today was perhaps the most surreal day I've had since starting as a volunteer at Stirley Community Farm. Shortly after arriving, having had a...

[Full Story ▶](#)

Posted by cholgate on 14/03/2012



## The Stirley Story Continues

It's been a few months since the Community Reporters came up to Stirley Community Farm to interview our volunteers and lots has happened since...

[Full Story ▶](#)

Posted by cholgate on 23/02/2012



## Stirley Stories: Volunteer day

Tuesday is volunteer work day at Stirley Community Farm in Newsome, Huddersfield. The farm is run by the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, working closely...

[Watch Video ▶](#)

Posted by Newsome Grapewine on 23/11/2011

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# Newsome Grapevine

share what you know about Newsome

Activities Community events Meetings Advice + info Lost + found Schools Places Newsome memories Galleries

## Get Connected

By Newsome Forum, on September 28th, 2011



Get Connected is a fortnightly get-together where you can use the Internet and get advice about computers and other kinds of technology.

Alternate Tuesday mornings from 10am to 12 noon:

- 4th October
- 18th October
- 1st November
- 15th November
- 29th November
- 13th December

**Venue:** The lounge, Edale sheltered housing, 112 Edale Avenue, Newsome.

We'll have a theme each month (Local information, Digital photos, History & memories) but we also want to know what you're interested in learning. Bring along your questions and ideas.

'Get Connected' is suitable for anyone in Newsome who is already using a computer (a little or a lot) and would like to get together with other people to share experiences and find out more.

There will be an informal coffee morning going on at the same time, so you can buy tea or coffee for 50p (to help pay for activities at Edale).

Please call to book your place – or if you live at Edale, just drop-in.

To book please call Diane on 07941 652836  
or email: diane.sims@kirklees.gov.uk

[Get Connected poster \(pdf\)](#)



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# Newsome Grapevine

share what you know about Newsome



## Help us to find out what's important to local people

By Newsome Grapevine, on January 27th, 2013



### Community Survey

Are you part of a community group or club anywhere in the Newsome Ward? Do you want to make sure that your participants have a say about what activities are funded in our local area? We're looking for local groups to help run the Newsome Community Survey, to help us find out more about what's important to local people.

It's easy to take part – we'll give you some copies of a survey to hand out to your group (or to your neighbours) and you just need to ask people to fill in the survey and hand it back to you.

If you'd like to take part, please let us know:

[www.newsomegrapevine.org.uk](http://www.newsomegrapevine.org.uk)

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# Community conversations

Helping community & voluntary groups to get in touch and get things done

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**Community conversations** is a way for voluntary and community organisations in Kirklees to share what we know, make new connections and get the latest news about funding and lots more. [About this site](#).

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Please [contact](#) us if you'd like us to feature your news on this page.

## Latest news from community organisations in Kirklees:

### » [Save money through the Community Energy Collective Switch](#)

05/03/13 17:48 from [Bradley News](#)

It might save you hundreds of pounds, if you read our new Community Energy Collective Switch information, by clicking on the tab at the top of this page.

### » [Future looking good for Kirkheaton Community Centre and Library](#)

05/03/13 17:48 from [Yetton Together - The Kirkheaton Community Website](#)

Over 50 people packed the community room at the Kirkheaton Community Centre on Monday, 4th March. Local Residents were attending a meeting arranged by the Yetton Together group, to inform people of the situation facing the building and recr..

### » [Bradley TRA Minutes....](#)

05/03/13 13:29 from [Bradley News](#)

Please click here: Bradley TRA Mins Mar 2013 to download the Minutes of the Bradley Tenants and Resident Group meeting held on March 4th 2013.

### » [Meet the Director of Public Health](#)

05/03/13 11:31 from [Newsome Grapevine](#)

Dr Judith Hooper, Director of Public Health in Kirklees, is the guest speaker at the next meeting of Newsome Ward Community Forum: Thursday 14th March From 6pm (buffet from 5.45pm) Community Room at Newsome High School Castle Avenue, Newso..

## News from local groups Community twitter



ForgetMNotChild Join us for our annual Christmas Concert with Sellers International Youth Orchestra [forgetmenotchild.co.uk/eve?id=...](http://forgetmenotchild.co.uk/eve?id=...)  
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# #kirkcommunity – community twitter feeds from the Kirklees area

**Kirklees community**  
A public list by Kirklees Council

Community and voluntary groups in the Kirklees area.

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Following

 **Yetton Together** @yettontogther  
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## List members

	<b>Hoot Music</b> @HootMusic <i>We offer a range of opportunities for people to get involved in music, dance and other creative activities as a way of improving physical &amp; emotional wellbeing.</i>	<a href="#">Following</a> 
	<b>Huddersf'd Civic Soc</b> @civicsocietyhd <i>Working to keep Huddersfield attractive, enjoyable, distinctive; stimulating public interest, caring about public realm, buildings &amp; improvement of amenities.</i>	<a href="#">Following</a> 
	<b>Yetton Together</b> @yettontogther <i>Kirkheaton's community action group. Working hard for Kirkheaton, Upper Heaton, Bog Green, Houses Hill, Gawthorpe, Lascelles Hall &amp; Briggate</i>	<a href="#">Following</a> 
	<b>One Good Turn</b> @OneGoodTurnLA	<a href="#">Following</a> 
	<b>New North Road BC</b> @NNRBaptistHudd <i>New North Road Baptist Church is a lively family church, led by Wayne Clarke. On the ringroad and Trinity Street, close to town</i>	<a href="#">Following</a> 



Blogs and news feeds from 60+ local community groups, and counting...

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<b>Newsome Grapevine</b>	05/03/2013
Meet the Director of Public Health	
<b>Yetton Together - The Kirkheaton Community Website</b>	05/03/2013
Rotary Navigation Walk 2013	

## Community clean-up – 10th March 2013

### Newsome Grapevine

Click here to view the full article in your default Web browser or to download the article and any enclosures.

Posted On: Thu 07/03/2013 12:05



Helpers welcome at the latest community clean-up in Newsome:

**Footpath between Close Hill Lane and Towngate**

**(also known as 'the intake')**



# Community conversations

Helping community & voluntary groups to get in touch and get things done

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## Locala Community Fund

by [DIANE SIMS \(ADMIN\)](#) on JANUARY 17, 2013 · [LEAVE A COMMENT](#)



Locala Community Partnerships CIC has launched a Community Fund to support projects in Kirklees with a health, wellbeing, community or environmental focus. A maximum of £10,000 a year will be donated to successful applicants in grants of £100 to £1,000.

The Community Fund allows Locala, a social enterprise providing NHS community health care in and around Kirklees, to support local initiatives, projects, groups and societies. This could be much needed equipment, training or maintenance work.

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#### [Fuel Poverty case studies from Kirklees Council](#)

#### **Fuel Poverty information sheets**

You can print out these information sheets to help with group discussions about fuel poverty. There is a separate document with some suggested answers, which you can hand out after your group discussion.

[Fuel Poverty case studies \(pdf\)](#)

## 4 Responses to *new community building for north huddersfield*



**Alan says:**

January 30, 2012 at 4:48 pm (Edit)

This looks like a fantastic resource! Do the plans include an accessible toilet with changing bed and hoist for wheelchair users who cant use a regular loo?

[REPLY](#)



**Deighton & Brackenhall Initiative Limited says:**

January 31, 2012 at 9:07 am (Edit)

Hello Alan, the centre will have an accessible toilet for wheelchair users and changing for children, but could you please clarify what you mean by a hoist as I am afraid we are unsure what you mean.

Thank you for your interest.

[REPLY](#)



**Alan says:**

January 31, 2012 at 4:12 pm (Edit)

Often people who use wheelchairs can't use a standard accessible toilet. Most are too small to accommodate more than one person. Without a changing bed and a safe means of getting the person on and off it, the person with disabilities is put at risk and families can find they have no choice but to risk their own health and safety by changing their daughter or son on a toilet floor.

**SOCIAL MEDIA IS**

~~Not Scary~~

*not Facebook*

A photograph of a garden area. In the foreground, there is a large, dark brown pile of mulch or compost. Behind it, the ground is covered in dark, moist soil. In the background, there is a green metal fence. Beyond the fence, there are several buildings: a blue shipping container, a white shed, and a large, multi-paned glass greenhouse. The sky is blue with some white clouds.

Getting started can sometimes be a bit daunting...



But together we can create a space in which things grow – plants, conversations or ideas.

**Social media isn't Facebook**

**in the same way that**

**food isn't McDonald's**



**We grow our own technology  
in the same way that  
we grow our own jam  
and we recommend it.**





This is really what we grow. Relationships.

# **Our top tips**

## **Start with what you already have**

Find out what people are interested in, what they can do, what they want to say. Don't miss the opportunities to talk.

## **Use all sorts of technology**

A spade used to dig a community allotment is a kind of technology, and so is a printed leaflet and a text message.

## **Grow some shared spaces**

Create places where people have a reason to get together. Community web sites are shared spaces, just like parks.

## **Everything informs everything else**

Working in physical spaces and online spaces together can make more than the sum of the parts. Allow things to mingle.

# A few things to bear in mind...

## **Outcomes**

What do you want to achieve?

## **Content**

Create or facilitate relevant and engaging content.

Have useful links at the ready.

Make sure people can find it – wherever they want it.

Put things in a format that can be reused – encourage it.

Help others to share their content – be generous.

## **Support**

Do you have the skills and confidence?

Do you have the right tools?

Do you have the time between you to be responsive?

What skills and experience do you already have?

# **How we can help**

## **Localgov advice**

visit [www.socialmedia.kirklees.gov.uk](http://www.socialmedia.kirklees.gov.uk)

tweet @KirkleesCouncil

or get in touch with Diane.

**Thumbprint** – ring Andrew if you're interested in using texts.

**Who owns...** – we're making the code open source.

**Community conversations** – start by doing your own audit.

Contact Diane if you'd like any advice.

**Shared Spaces guide** – please take a booklet.





Photo: Rob Arthur Photography

# Shared Spaces

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Our thanks to all the residents, community organisations and service providers who have helped us to develop the Shared Spaces approach.