



Gavinton, Fogo and Polwarth News

Winter 2023

LEES HILL RENEWABLE ENERGY PARK



It is thought that Fred Olsen, the company wishing to build an 'energy park' at Lees Hill, will submit a planning application to Scottish Borders Council later this year. The current plan is for 7 wind turbines, solar panels and battery storage.

Local residents are forming a steering group to discuss what action to take once SBC has received the application. This steering group is open to any resident. Please contact Neil Gilmour for more information ngilmour1@yahoo.co.uk.

Our Community Council will also study the application and decide how best to represent the views of local residents. E-mail chair@gavinton.net to share your thoughts. When their plans are finalised the company is expected to return to Gavinton Village Hall to display and discuss them.

A good vantage point to see where the energy park is to be sited is at Raecleugh Head, an iron age hill fort. Once the application has been submitted, Neil Gilmour is happy to take residents there to see the site.



2023 GAVINTON BURNS SUPPER

Come and enjoy a traditional meal and the best o' Burns in

GAVINTON VILLAGE HALL
Saturday January 21st
6.30 for 7.00pm

Tickets £20 from
Ann Roberts call or text on
07754 065546 e-mail
roberts.ann@btinternet.com

Choose normal or vegetarian haggis

Next Gavinton Coffee Morning

Gavinton Village Hall

Saturday January 28th
10am – 11.30

All welcome



Raffle
Sales table
Scones and cake
Gluten Free



Should Gavinton twin with Villeneuve-au-Chemin?

The Community Council has been asked to consider twinning Gavinton with the similarly sized village of Villeneuve-au-Chemin, in northern France.

There is a historical link between the Cockburn family of Choiselee and the Mayor of Villeneuve-au-Chemin, Monsieur Gilles de Cockborne who is keen to explore cross-cultural tourism and school language exchanges.

The community council would love to hear your views about this idea -e-mail chair@gavinton.net.

There are documents about the Cockburns in the Gavinton Archive. Email gavintonvillagehall@gavinton.net to find out more.

**Community Cinema
Fridays
6.30 for 7.00
with Bar and Food
Film £3.00
More details at gavinton.net**

**National Theatre Live
Fridays
6.30 for 7.00
£10.00
Bring your own alcohol
More details at gavinton.net**



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The Lost King
Friday January 27th

An amateur historian defies the academic establishment in her efforts to find King Richard III's remains, which were lost for over 500 years.

Order a pie - ring or text 07754 065546



The Crucible
Friday February 10th
A witch hunt is beginning in Arthur Miller's captivating parable of power.



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Don't Worry Darling
Friday February 24th

A 1950s American housewife living with her husband begins to worry that his glamorous company could be hiding disturbing secrets.



Othello
Friday March 17
An extraordinary new production of Shakespeare's most enduring tragedy, directed by Clint Dyer



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The Banshees of Inisherin
Friday March 31st

In this award winning comedy two lifelong friends find themselves at an impasse when one abruptly ends their relationship.



Life of Pi
Friday April 14th
Puppetry, magic and storytelling land featuring state-of-the-art visuals, the epic journey of endurance and hope is bought to life in a breath-taking new way for cinemas screens.

King's Coronation May 6th

What should we do about the Coronation on May 6th?

Watch it at home or watch it together in the Village Hall? Should we have a street party on the extra bank holiday?

Send your ideas to gavintonvillagehall@gavinton.net

Gavinton Soup Club



*Everyone
Welcome*

*Choice of Soups
and Puddings*

*Village Hall
Tuesday Jan 31st
11.30 - 2.00*

*Contact
Emma 07890 611775*

Get Some Dates in your Diary

With a new year just started here are some dates to put in your diary. This list does not include events already mentioned in this newsletter and are subject to change. All events take place in the Village Hall or on the Green.

- Coffee Mornings : February 25, March 25
 - Community Cinema : April 28, May 26, June 30
 - National Theatre : May 12, June 9
 - Reivers Night on the Green : Wednesday July 5th
 - Christmas Walk to Fogo : December 17th
- If you would like us to add an event to the list email gavintonvillagehall@gavinton.net or drop a note in the Village Hall letterbox.

Report a pothole and improve our roads!

Scottish Borders Council has an online system for reporting potholes – just note the location, take a photo and notify SBC. Search 'pothole' at www.scotborders.gov.uk and it will take you to the right page.

This information goes onto SBC programme of works. The more potholes we report hopefully the more will get fixed!

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