



Festival of Christmas Trees declared a resounding success



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Ferryhill and Chilton's first Festival of Christmas Trees has been hailed a resounding success. The exceptionally well attended event saw 26

trees decorated by community groups, shops, schools, nurseries, churches and local businesses, each one in a truly inspiring design. The free event at Ferryhill Hub was organised by Approach Too and was officially opened to the sound of the bagpipes, expertly played by Adam Jenkins.

The atmosphere was warm and welcoming with Ferryhill Indoor Bowls Club entering in the spirit of the event too by providing free taster sessions to children and adults.

People joined in the fun by voting for their favourite tree and this year's worthy winner was Cleves Cross Primary Eco Tree.

Glenys from Approach Too said: "The Festival has been a wonderful, happy, and fun event."

"We are so grateful to everyone who participated and gave their time and talents to decorate their

FBEC celebrates top rankings

Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College continues its academic success of previous years.

The school has received an initial ranking inside the top 20% of schools in England, with more exam grades to be added in the next few weeks.

Head Teacher, Mr Brennan, said: "We are hoping to end up in the top 15% of schools in England, which would be very similar to last year."

"This year's particular strength is in English, which is ranked by the respected Fischer Family Trust, as being in the top six percent

of all schools in England. "Last year the Maths department were in the top seven percent. It's all very competitive!"

Mr Brennan went on to say that: "The subjects of Art, ICT, PE and the school's specialism of Business Studies are unsurpassed in England, all being ranked in the top one percent."

"Clearly we are all very proud of our students and staff."

"Surveys tell us that 98% of our new Year 7 students are enjoying life at the school."

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Carols and mince pies

St Luke's Ladies Fellowship are holding an open evening of carols and mince pies in the parish centre on Thursday 15th December starting at 6.30pm. A spokesperson

said: "Everyone is most welcome to come along and join in this Christmas social event. There is no entrance charge but donations for the refreshments would be appreciated."

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Agnes Ankers

12.12.2006

Bob Ankers

03.02.2007



There's a corner in our hearts Mam and Dad,
That you visit every day,
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That you're never far away



Love and miss you so much,
From your every-loving family
xx



Norma Smith

Sadly left us 11.12.14

If we could visit Heaven,
Even for a day,
Maybe for a moment,
The pain will go away.
We'd put our arms around you
And whisper words so true,
That living life without you,
Is the hardest thing to do.
No morning dawns or
evening falls when we don't
think of you.



Thinking of you always,
Love Tony, Vicky,
Niall & Kai



Audrey Hayward

10.12.06

A loving Wife & Mother
Forever in our thoughts



Loving Husband David,
Daughter Emma
& all your family
xxx



In Memoriam

Betty Williams

8.12.77

Loving memories of a dear
Mam, Nana & Great Nana



Loved and remembered
always,
Love Jeff, Sheila & family
xxx

Betty Williams

Never forgotten,
Loved always



From your loving Daughter,
Denise
xxx

Betty Williams

Loved and remembered
always



Love Joanne, Ryan & Ellie
xxx



In Memoriam

Shirley Mundell

10th December

Remembering the happy
times we had together



Love always,
Betty

Birthdays

Connie Whitehead

9th December



Happy 9th Birthday



All our love Princess,
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Birthdays

Jak Readshaw

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munion Service led by Rev.
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who would wish to attend.
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16th, from 7pm onwards,

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FBEC celebrates top rankings

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Calum Foster received the Peter Malkin Award and the Rhys Wayman Trophy from ex-Head Teacher, Mr Bowden, who is retiring this year.

Meanwhile, on Thursday 24th November the school celebrated the achievements of last year's Year 11 cohort and their brilliant GCSE results.

The awards were presented by Mr Bowden, the school's former Head Teacher, for whom this was the last year group he had in Year 7 before retiring.

He said: "Take your awards with pride. Ferryhill is a great school. Aim high and work hard. If your dreams don't scare you, you're not aiming high enough."

Shane Henderson was the winner of the Head Teacher's Award and Hannah Blackman was the winner of the Glynn Wales Award for the best overall performance in the exams.

Kate Storey was chosen by Mrs Scott (Year 11 Learning Co-ordinator) as her Student of the Year and Kate also won the Gill Roddam Award for PE.

The Pete Malkin Award was presented to Calum Foster who was also the recipient of the Rhys Wayman Trophy for being an all-round good

student who tries hard.

Kieran Thompson and Kieran Latham, two former students of FBEC, gave an inspirational address about their success and how all students should be proud of their achievements and have goals that are ambitious.

They also presented students with awards for contribution to school life and the community.

A full list of award winners can be seen on the school website at www.fbec.co.uk.

Chilton Banner Appeal hold Christmas fundraiser

The annual Christmas Fundraiser for Chilton's Banner Appeal took place on Saturday 3rd December in Chilton Sports and Social Club.

Festivities included brilliant entertainment from Jon Corbett as well as a

sumptuous buffet and a raffle, with many prizes up for grabs.

The event was very well attended as usual and resulted in raising £288 towards taking the banner into Durham for the annual Miners' Gala.

A spokesperson for the group said: "The Banner Committee would like to thank the club for hosting the event and to everyone who came along to give their support and for making it such a fantastic afternoon."

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Poetry Corner

Belsen

By Albert Curle, Ferryhill

They dropped bombs on us thick and fast

We really thought we wouldn't last

The women jumped with every blast

They couldn't make the tea.

And then they got the call to go

The lads called up to fight the foe

Inspired by awful tales of woe

It was all meant to be.

Aye, they knocked the Huns about

Aye, they made the Germans shout

Aye, they gave them all a clout

When the lads went into Belsen.

The lads fought on, they wouldn't quit

Kept pushing forward bit by bit

Attacked with fervour, hit for hit

Until the order came.

A prisoner-of-war camp just ahead

Was to be freed, that's what was said

But when they saw the living-dead

They knew who were to blame.

Aye, the folk showed signs of hope

Aye, the folk began to cope

Aye, the folk no longer moped

When the lads went into Belsen.

So here today each lad and lass

Remember when that came to pass

Please join with me and raise a glass

To the lads who went into Belsen.

Praise be to them all.

Mini Police learn importance of Carrs Nature Reserve

Readers may have seen Cleves Cross Mini Police out and about down the Carrs Nature Reserve recently, an area which has suffered from a spate of vandalism throughout the year.

They were accompanied by Glenys from Approach Too and PCSOs Louise Armstrong, and David Evans.

Learning from the expertise of Countryside Ranger John Olley and volunteer Gordon Ball, the children heard first hand the importance for the environment of the area and the impact and consequences that damage can cause to wildlife.



Cleves Cross mini police hear from local ranger, John Olley about the importance of the Carrs Nature Reserve.

Photo: Gordon Ball

Three-day strike averted as council return to TA talks

Unison, the union representing the majority of County Durham Teaching Assistants has said that they have called off this week's planned three-day strike after Durham County Council agreed to return to the negotiating table.

Unison has also instructed teaching assistants that it is suspending Action Short of Strike (ASOS), more commonly known as work to rule, while initial talks take place.

The union has also moved to reassure teaching assistants who have expressed their concern that Durham County Council appeared to stop short of withdrawing the threat to dismiss and re-engage TAs: "Whilst we understand concerns about the council having suspended rather than withdrawn dismissal notices, we are confident following these early talks that Durham Council no longer plans to sack and re-engage teaching assistants and that the massive pay cuts proposed by the council can be averted."

Addressing further concerns by TAs that a review of teaching assistants' job descriptions would not report until September, Unison said: "We have stressed to Durham Council that urgent progress must be made, and that attempts to use this process as a delaying tactic will only result in a return to industrial action. "They have agreed the need for clarity and speed in these negotiations and have organised meetings for this week and next." The union hinted that there would be no further industrial action before the end of the year unless there was a major breakdown in the scheduled talks: "There is much work to be done and [Unison] will not rule out further strike action in the new year if significant progress isn't made."

Responding to the announcement, Durham County Council's corporate director of resources, John Hewitt, said: "I am pleased to say that positive

and productive talks are continuing and as a result Unison has called off industrial action by its teaching assistants planned for this week.

"In return, to allow this to take place, we last week agreed to suspend the dismissal and re-engage process and undertake a review of the teaching assistants' role.

"The review, which will look at function, job description and activities, to establish whether current job descriptions adequately describe the role, will be completed by 1st September 2017.

"This will not however re-open the single status agreement currently in place.

"This is a very complex situation and it has also resulted in us having further discussions with other recognised trade unions.

"We look forward to working with these trade unions and are grateful for Unison's announcement today."

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Mayor and volunteers take the plunge for funds on Boxing Day



Mayor of Ferryhill, Cllr Peter Atkinson, with Carole Atkinson and Nicola Harmer, sporting the tee-shirts they will be wearing as they take the plunge on Boxing Day.

Mayor of Ferryhill, Cllr Peter Atkinson has organised a team to participate in the annual Boxing Day Dip at Seaburn. Cllr Atkinson said: "I have convinced 15 brave volunteers to join me in jumping into the North Sea on Boxing Day morning 2016 at 11am.

"Of course the purpose of this is to raise money for the charities that I am supporting this year: The Great North Air Ambulance, the Ferryhill Ladder Centre and St Luke's Church in Ferryhill. "Could I ask if anyone would like to sponsor us, no matter how small the

donation, as it would be extremely appreciated by our team and charities." Donations can be made at Ferryhill Town Hall, Ferryhill Ladder Centre and St Luke's Church, Ferryhill. A Justgiving page has also been set up at justgiving.com/crowdfunding/peter-atkinson.

Chilton Civic Carol Service

Chilton Town Council is reminding readers that the Civic Carol Service will be held on Thursday 15th December at St Aidan's Church commencing at 7pm. During the service there will be performances from Ferryhill Town Band, Chilton Primary School Choir and the Steel Pans.

Afterwards there will be a buffet in the Church Hall. All are welcome to attend. A spokesperson said: "Members of the Town Council would like to thank everyone involved in the service. "For further information please telephone Chilton Town Council on 01388 721788."

Wellbeing for Life returns in new year

The Wellbeing for Life group, which meets at Dean Bank Institute on Wednesday evenings will be returning after the festive season on Wednesday 11th January. The group is free to join for over 16s and promotes a healthier lifestyle by looking at food and recipe ideas, weekly weigh-ins, activity, confidence, stress and alcohol. It also offers free training

courses and a volunteering programme. Health Trainer, Laura Birkin said: "We already have about 12 people that come to the group, some stay for half an hour some just drop in to get weighed. "It is designed to fit around people's lifestyles so if they want to stay they can, otherwise they can just drop in for weights and take the information away with them."



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Mayor's invitation to Carol Service

Mayor of Ferryhill, Councillor Peter Atkinson and his consort, Mrs Carole Atkinson, would like to extend an invitation to local residents to attend the Christmas Carol Service which will take place in St Lukes Church, Ferryhill on Monday 12th December 2016 at 7pm. The Carol Service will include performances by

Ferryhill Town Band and local school children. Refreshments will be available afterwards in the Church Hall.

All money raised from the collection will be donated to good causes chosen by the mayor. This year's causes are The Great North Air Ambulance, Ferryhill LADDER Centre and St Luke's Church.

Future business magnates is back

The county-wide competition for budding entrepreneurs is back for its 12th year, challenging teams to 'Connect County Durham' and Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College already has its team in place.

The team from FBEC is made up of Year 8 students Gemma Arrand, Eden Barras, James Corrigan, Kaitlyn Owens, Kirsty Robson, Mornel Westfield and Anya Willis. They have named themselves F-BE-Connected.

They attended a prestigious launch event on 3rd November at the Excel Centre in Newton Aycliffe and have already started

thinking of some excellent ways to fulfil the brief.

The competition involves working with local businesses and communities to create an innovative product or service, as well as creating all the business documents that are part of starting up a new enterprise.

The team have already shown a flair for marketing by coming up with a relevant and eye-catching name for the competition. The team have a lot to live up to as a previous team from FBEC finished third across the whole county.

A spokesperson said: "Good luck to the team."

Christmas trees

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tree. In our eyes every tree was a winner.

"A huge thank you to the many who helped in the other ways too, especially Tracey Herron, Becky Richards, Chris Orton, PCSO

Louise Armstrong, the Mini Police, Ferryhill Hub, Carol Morrison, everyone at Ferryhill Indoor Bowls Club, Travis Ward, Anya Willis and Maya Askwith.

"The standard has been set this year, so get your thinking caps on for 2017."



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***Members of the public may attend the above meetings*

Engineering students secure local apprenticeships

Three students studying on full-time engineering courses at South West Durham Training (SWDT) have recently been successful in securing apprenticeships at PSP and Cepac. All three apprentices joined SWDT in September to gain skills in their respective fields within engineering and have already been snapped up by companies who are new to working with SWDT and who were looking to strengthen their workforce.

Linton Hollins, aged 16 from St Helens, Bishop Auckland, attended King James Academy until June last year and started his practical training in fabrication and welding. Linton has since secured an apprenticeship with PSP in Shildon who manufacture rain screen systems and metal fabrications.

Alfie Willetts from Ferryhill and Thomas Watson from Barnard Castle, both also aged 16, have recently gained maintenance apprenticeships with Darlington based corrugated packaging supplier, Cepac. A spokesperson for SWDT said: "South West Durham Training has built a strong relationship with new and



Alfie Willetts and Thomas Watson will be joining Darlington-based Cepac from South West Durham Training.

existing companies based in the region due to its 50 year experience of providing students with the skills they require to progress on to an apprenticeship.

"We are currently recruiting for our next intake of full-time students who to start with us in September 2017.

"We are currently offering

courses in Machining, Fabrication & Welding and Electrical & Maintenance.

"Come along to our next Open Evening at Aycliffe Business Park on Tuesday 13th December from 5-7pm to find out more about our courses and the centre or contact Kirsty Haden-Collier on 01325 313194 for more information."

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Triple bill at Film Club



Chilton Community College Film Club will be screening three films over the festive period, including Finding Dory, the sequel to Finding Nemo.

Chilton Community College Film Club is putting on not one, not two, but three films leading up to Christmas, catering for children, adults and families.

The first film is the follow up to the Disney smash hit *Finding Nemo*, with all our familiar undersea friends in *Finding Dory*.

The friendly-but-forgetful blue tang fish begins a search for her long-lost parents, and everyone learns a few things about the real meaning of family along the way.

This was one of the smash hits of this summer and will be playing on Saturday 10th December at 10am and will cost £2 for a member and £3 for non members and includes refreshments.

The second film which will be on Friday 16th December and sees a return to Paris for the adult film club with Dame Maggie Smith, Kevin Kline and Kristin Scott Thomas in the comedy *My Old Lady*.

The Times described this film as: "Superb, full of sharp, funny twists and turns."

Oscar winner, Kevin Kline plays Mathias, a New Yorker who travels to Paris in order to liquidate a very valuable apartment that he has inherited from his late father.

However, once there he finds a peculiar old woman occupying it (Oscar winner, Maggie Smith) and she has more than just a bit of bad news regarding his plans to become wealthy.

The film will cost £3 for a member and £4 for a non member and includes refreshments.

Finally, the club will screen an extra film for families and adults when it presents Steven Spielberg's version of the Roald Dahl's classic *BFG*.

The film follows Sophie (Ruby Barnhill) as she is whisked away from her orphanage by the BFG (Mark Rylance) and taken to Giant Country where she is immediately at risk of being eaten by the other, larger giants, including Fleshlumpeater (Jemaine Clement) and Bloodbottler (Bill Hader).

Together, Sophie and the

BFG go on an adventure to Dream Country where they capture dreams for the BFG to give to all of the human world's sleeping children.

After coming up with a cunning plan, the pair head back to London to see if the Queen (Penelope Wilton) can help them tackle the problem of the bullying, child-eating giants.

The film will be shown on Friday 23rd December at 6pm and will cost £2 for children and £3 for adults. A family ticket is available for £8 (four people) and include refreshments.

To attend any of the above films, call Chilton College on 01388 720911 between 5.30pm and 8pm on a weekday (except Wednesdays as the college is not open then) or email us at chiltoncollegenew@gmail.com, if you have not already booked, so the club know how many to expect.

Chilton Community College will also be closed from 8pm on Friday 23rd December until Monday 9th January.

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Have your say...

Dear Editor,

As organiser of the Ferryhill Community Centre Xmas Fair I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Fair.

I also would like to thank the girls who helped on the stalls and in the kitchen, along with Chris and the community staff.

A considerable amount was raised for various charities, for which I am truly grateful.

Thank you very much.

Yours sincerely,

Ellen & friends

Dear Editor,

Is it just me, or has anyone else noticed most of the lights on the traffic islands in Ferryhill are not lit up?

These have been reported to the street lighting department at the council on no less than three times, but the same answer is that they have been done.

Well, all I can say is they have never been done. It seems they don't know what I'm talking about.

There may be more but I have noticed: Dean Road at Broom Road junction has three islands with six lights but only two are lit; Wood Lane, Broom Road junction has two islands with four lights but only two lit; outside B&M, one island with two lights but only one lit.

This is not a very good ratio to me.

Yours sincerely,

Jack Clowes,

Ferryhill

Dear Editor,

At its 14th November meeting, the Ferryhill Community Partnership became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). This change in status gives a much greater deal of financial protection to the charity trustees, which has enabled the CIO to attract its full quota of ten trustees.

Those present also agreed that the ten trustees would become the members of the Ferryhill Community Hub Management Committee. This committee held its first meeting on Saturday 3rd December at which Mr Shaun Hillary was elected as Chairman of the Community Hub Management Committee.

Councillor Joe Makepeace (in his personal capacity) will be Chairman of the CIO, which will continue to receive a full administration and financial management service from Mrs. E. Tomys, Mr. John Blowes and myself in my personal capacity.

All residents of Ferryhill over the age of 18 are allowed to become members of the Partnership CIO and should contact me on 01740 652743 should they wish to become a member.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Brian Gibson,

Ferryhill Community Partnership

Dynamos claim derby day bragging rights

Ferryhill football fans were treated to a fiercely competitive local derby when Ferryhill Dynamos played host to Ferryhill Celtic in the Durham & District Sunday League Division One.

A weakened home side found themselves quickly in front as Celtic once again lost an early goal - something that has proved somewhat of an Achilles heel in recent seasons.

Just a minute into the game, Nathan Carr crossed for Vinny Gash to thunder home.

Gradually Celtic came into the game and enjoyed a lot of possession but rarely bothered Ryan Farley's

goal until the tenth minute when the visitors had strong appeals for a penalty waved away.

Both sides fought a full-blooded battle, with many strong challenges, but neither could add to the scoring before the break.

A similar pattern ensued for the second half, with Celtic now pressing for an equaliser while Dynamos held their shape, defended well and attempted to add to their lead on the break.

With just ten minutes remaining, the decisive goal came and it was ex-Celtic player, Andrew Agar who broke the visitors' hearts by tapping in after Celtic

failed to clear a goalmouth scramble.

The home win brings Dynamos within three points of their local rivals with a game in hand.

Celtic are 5th with 17 points from 8 games while Dynamos are 6th with 14 points after 7 games. Both have several games in hand over the leaders.

Next up for Celtic is another away game to Coxhoe Red Lion in the league on Sunday 11th December.

On the same day, Dynamos travel to Tyneside where they will take on Gateshead Last Orders FC in the third round of the JD Taxis Guard Cup.

Festive rubbish and recycling collections

There will be no change to rubbish and recycling collections in County Durham over the festive period.

Durham County Council is asking residents across the county to put their bins out as normal over Christmas and New Year.

Bins should be left at the kerbside by 7am on the normal collection day.

The last day for bulky waste and white goods collections will be Friday, 23rd December, with the service resuming on Tuesday, 3rd January.

To book a bulk waste collection online, visit www.durham.gov.uk/bulky-waste.

The council will once again be offering a collection service for real Christmas trees. Bookings, for collection in the New Year, can be made by calling 03000 261 000 or by visiting www.durham.gov.uk between Monday, 19th December and Sunday, 8th January.

Real Christmas trees can also be taken to any of the council's Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC). To check opening times, visit www.durham.gov.uk/hwrc.

Anyone visiting a HWRC in a van, pick-up, mini-bus or towing a trailer will need

to apply for a permit in advance by calling 03000 261 000 or visiting www.durham.gov.uk/householdpermit.

If you require a waste permit for use over the Christmas and New Year period, you must apply before noon on Friday, 16th December.

Residents are also reminded to Bin it Right in order to reduce recycling contamination. Check which items should be placed in which bin by visiting www.durham.gov.uk/whatgoeswhere.

And if you're getting new furniture in time for Christmas or buying electrical appliances in the sales, remember to dispose of old items responsibly.

Don't leave them in your yard, garden or street for a 'man with a van' to collect as they may end up being flytipped.

Items can be taken to any HWRC or donated to charity. Details of furniture reuse charities can be found at www.durham.gov.uk/reuse.

It is also possible to download a bin collection calendar by visiting www.durham.gov.uk and entering your house number and postcode into the My Durham section.

Ferryhill Town Youth Under 9s keep on winning

On Sunday morning, 4th December, Ferryhill Town Youth Under 9's made the trip to Weardale to take on Wolsingham FC.

The game started brightly with both teams looking to play some good football on the huge pitch.

One of the first Wolsingham attacks saw the ball break on the edge of the box and it was fired back in and struck a defenders arm for a penalty. Aidan stood tall for the penalty and it was blasted over.

Ferryhill responded well with a lovely move for the opening goal which was finished off coolly by George.

The lead didn't last long, however, as a Wolsingham winger took on three Ferryhill players before squaring for a tap in to make it 1-1.

But Ferryhill were soon back on top to produce a similar goal to the first.

William, Marc and Jamie were involved in the build up and again it was finished off by George just inside the area.

As the half drew to a close the home side found a second equaliser for 2-2 at the break.

In the second half, Aidan was saving everything the

opposition could throw at him while Carlton and Noah were playing well at the back and William was dictating the play.

Plenty of chances followed too. George went close twice looking for his hat-trick, Marc, Jamie and later on, Jonathan knocked the ball around superbly and Marc used his pace to bag a quick fire hat-trick himself. A free kick on the edge of the box allowed William to step forward and crack a lovely shot into the bottom corner.

Jonathan, Kole and Addison were all involved in winning the ball back in defence.

The game ended in a well deserved 6-2 win to give the team their 3rd win in a row. Man of the Match was William.

In the second game there were changes to the line up and formation.

William put the gloves on allowing Aidan a run out in midfield while showing his own skills between the sticks.

Addison started in defence alongside Carlton, winning everything and passing the ball forward every time.

George, Jonathan and Aidan were buzzing around the whole game and

breaking forward with pace whenever they could.

Kole was the lone striker looking to get on the score sheet from the off.

A couple of chances passed but after Wolsingham took the lead Kole took his chance to level things up. The introduction of Reuban, Noah and Marc freshened things up but a second goal just didn't arrive.

Wolsingham scored a late winner which was disappointing but couldn't dampen the spirits of the team.

Coach, Paul McKeown said: "There were some brilliant individual performances but they were outshone by the improving team ethic and style of football."

The side are at home on Sunday 11th December to local rivals Trimdon.

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