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Udny Speaks Up: Community Voices Shaping Our Future

We did it! That's January more or less done, and let's be thankful! Snow, rain, wind... yes, it's winter but we are so looking forward to some drier, brighter days and hopefully some green spring shoots peeking through soon!

One of January's highlights was Udny Climate Action's evening discussion on the Scottish Government's draft Climate Change Plan. It was a great chance for folk to come along, hear more about the proposals and share thoughts on how national plans might affect life closer to home. The World Café format allowed groups to have in-depth discussions on key issues covered in the plan: education, employment, transport, waste management, agriculture, energy, housing and more. We're looking forward to seeing the summary of the ideas that came out of the evening, that were fed back in response to the Scottish Government's consultation on the draft plan.

In another example of making our community's voice heard, Udny Community Trust is working with Udny Community Council on a Local Place Plan. This will be submitted to Aberdeenshire Council's Call for Ideas for the Local Development Plan 2029 – an important opportunity to make sure Udny's voice is heard when it comes to future development in our area. The plan will draw on information gathered during previous community consultations, including Imagine Udny (2019) and Re-Imagine Udny (2024), so that views already shared by local people will help shape what comes next. A draft Local Place Plan will be shared with the community in the next couple of weeks, with the opportunity to share your feedback and ideas. Please keep an eye out, have a read of the draft plan, submit your thoughts and make your voice heard!

For more information, contact Ruth Cluness
manager@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk

Spotlight



The Friends of Udny Green Cemeteries are a dedicated voluntary group who have transformed Udny Green New Cemetery with a small grant from

Udny Community Trust, a lot of heart and hard work from their volunteers, and support from the community, local businesses and the local authority.



Scan to read the full story of 'the Friends' or visit

www.udnycommunitytrust.org.uk/room-to-bloom/

In addition to maintaining the New Cemetery, the Friends are turning their sights to sprucing up Udny Green Old Cemetery and they could use some help and new volunteers! If you would like to support their work, please get in touch through their Facebook page.



Friends of Udny Green Cemeteries

Highlights



Interested in joining a **Dungeons & Dragons** group? Join in a Community Conversation on Tuesday 3rd Feb to help shape a new social table-top role-playing games group. See 'Key Dates'.



The first round of **grant funding** will be considered at the February UCTC Board Meeting. The deadline for small grant applications is Monday 16th February.



Threads & Yarns meet the first three Wednesdays of each month, 7-9pm in the Quarry Room. A friendly social group focussing on fabric and yarn crafts, great support if you're just starting out with a new hobby!

What's On

at The Medan Centre



Everyone welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult.



Weekly
Monday
10am - 12noon
Quarry Room



Weekly
Tuesday 10am
Cuppas & blether after!
Quarry Room



Weekly
Tuesday
1.30 - 3.30pm
Bronie Room



Weekly
Tuesday
2.30 - 4.30pm
Quarry Room



Monthly
Taking a break
1st & 3rd Friday
Keep an eye out for more
information
Quarry Room



Weekly
Friday
Approx 2.20 - 2.45pm
The Medan Centre



Fortnightly
Friday
3.30 - 5pm
Quarry Room

Feb
13th, 27th
Adults only



Monthly
Second Monday
2.45 - 4.30pm
Quarry Room

Feb
9th

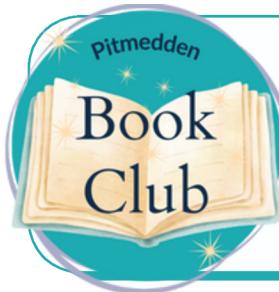


Monthly
Third Monday
6 - 8pm
Quarry Room

Feb
16th



Monthly
1st & 3rd Saturday
Taking a winter break
Back in March!



Monthly x 2
Afternoon & evening
groups. A different book
each month. Get in touch
with Teresa for details!

Event schedule subject to change. Keep an eye on our website and Facebook pages for latest info and details. For more information contact Teresa Costanza: 01651 843776 or admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



Key Dates

Community Events and Activities - February 2026

Mon
2nd

Baby & Toddler Stay & Play: Health Visitor, 10am-12noon, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

We'll be joined by Health Visitor Julie Main for this session. All welcome, little ones can play, grownups have a cuppa and blether. All children to be accompanied by an adult. Contact Teresa Costanza for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Tues
3rd

Community Conversation: Dungeons & Dragons, 6.30pm, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Join others who are interested in starting a D&D or potentially another TTRPG group to gauge interest and availability. Contact Teresa Costanza for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Wed
4th, 11th,
18th

Threads & Yarns, 7-9pm, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Sewing, knitting and crochet community group. Come for a cuppa and a natter. Adults and children aged 12+ (if younger, must be accompanied by an adult). For info call Julia (07817 762723) or Lynette (07971 117599).

Mon
9th

Udny Conversation Cafe: Scams, 3-4.30pm, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Come along and catch up over a cuppa and a fine piece. Robert McKinney of Aberdeenshire Council Trading Standards joins us to discuss scams and how to protect yourself from fraudsters. Contact Teresa Costanza for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Mon
9th

Udny Community Council Meeting, 7.30pm, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Udny Community Council meets on the second Monday of every month. Meetings are open to parish residents. Contact udnycsecretary@outlook.com for information.

Tues
10th

Social Group, 7.30-8.30pm, Bronie Room, The Medan Centre

A simple space to connect with others, have a chat, slow the pace a little, and enjoy being around people. Relaxed social connection and wellbeing are the focus. For more info visit: www.facebook.com/Jotransforminglives

Fri
13th,
27th

Hobby Club, 3.30-5pm, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Bring along a craft project or something you are working on, or join in with fellow hobbyists to learn something new. Cuppas and chatter included! Contact Teresa Costanza for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Sat
14th

Udny Community Cinema: The Roses, 7.30-10pm, Dr Spence Memorial Hall, Udny Green

Life seems easy for picture-perfect couple Ivy (Olivia Colman) and Theo (Benedict Cumberbatch), but beneath the façade of their supposed ideal life, a storm is brewing... Doors Open at 7:00pm, screening at 7:30pm. Adults £7.50, 16 and under £4.50. Buy tickets online at: <https://www.tictailor.com/events/movingpictures/2037345>

Mon
16th

Udny Repair Cafe, 6-8pm, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Run by Udny Climate Action. Pop along with items needing to be repaired or restored. To enquire about potential repairs contact udnyrepaircafe@gmail.com

Mon
16th

Udny Community Fund: Small Grant Deadline

Small grants available for projects in Udny seeking up to £1,000. Ts&Cs apply, see UCTC website. To discuss a project or for support with an application, contact Ruth Cluness: manager@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk

Tues
17th

Bereavement Cafe, 5.00-6.00pm, Bronie Room, The Medan Centre

Peer support group for those who have experienced loss, either recently or in the past. Grief has no time limit. Contact Teresa Costanza for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Fri-Sun
20th -
22nd

Swap Shop, Pitmedden Village Hall

Swap and share pre-loved, good quality items with your community. Friday, 12-7pm - drop off donations and shop! Saturday & Sunday, 10am-2pm, pickup only. Keep an eye on Udny Swaps Facebook for up to date info. Contact Vikki Jannetta, vikkijannetta@gmail.com.

Fri
27th

Udny Community Cafe, 11am-12.30pm, Dr Spence Memorial Hall, Udny Green

Monthly scones on the last Friday of the month, 11am-12.30pm, back hall. Proceeds support the upkeep of Dr Spence Memorial Hall.



The Medan Centre

Your Community Hub



Cafe48



Tues - Sat, 10am - 3pm

Sit in and take away. Fresh local food and home bakes. Regular specials and offers. Booking is recommended!



Senior Tuesday Deal

Tuesday 10am-2.15pm

Soup & Main OR Main & Dessert

Only £10.50!



PitmeddenCafe



01651 842346



cafe@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



SCAN TO
BOOK A
TABLE
ONLINE

Room Hire

We have rooms for hire at competitive rates and we welcome volunteer-led community groups to use our space for low or no cost.

Rates and information on our spaces can be found on UCTC's website. To find out more about our spaces or to book, contact Ruth Cluness: 01651 843776 or facilities@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



To access professional support you can speak to a Healthpoint Adviser. They will give free and confidential advice on health and wellbeing matters.

Call 08085 20 20 30

Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm



Udny Community Shelf



Open daily, 9am to mid-afternoon.

Udny Community Shelf helps our community to reduce food waste. Volunteers collect surplus food from local stores that would otherwise be going to waste. Everything in the Shelf is free of charge. The Shelf operates from a trailer in The Medan Centre car park.



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