

## Getting things done – Hawkhill and Ritchie’s Lane #dundeewestend

On behalf of residents and Friends of Blackness, the parent council of Blackness Primary School, I requested trimming of the badly overgrown foliage along Hawkhill near the school and down Ritchie’s Lane.

I am grateful to environment management at the City Council who has responded positively to my request :



# Easter activities at Ninewells Community Garden – week one #dundeewestend

## April 2022 - Easter Activities at Ninewells Community Garden



### Monday 4th April 2pm - Messy Play in our Mud Kitchen

For all budding cooks, chefs and bakers. Imaginative outdoor  
play in the garden - mixing, measuring and creating.

*For children over 2*

### Tuesday 5th April 10.30am - Craft Session

Nature based crafts in the garden.

*For children over 3*

### Wednesday 6th April 2pm- Messy Play in our Mud Kitchen

For all budding cooks, chefs and bakers. Imaginative  
outdoor play in the garden - mixing, measuring and  
creating.

*For children over 2*

### Thursday 7th April 10.30 am - Build a Bog Garden



Do some wildlife gardening! Help build a  
bog garden with Froglife and learn about  
nature in the garden.

*For children over 8\**

**Booking essential for all days. Please email  
outreach@ninewellsgarden.org.uk or visit our Eventbrite  
page.**

*\* For siblings under 8 our mud kitchen will be available.*

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## [The Friary Community Café and Larder](#) [#dundeewestend](#)

Today – and every Thursday – all welcome at the Friary Community Café and Larder!

It is open from 11am-2pm.

Come along for homemade soup and cakes and to pick up some groceries.



## Road safety at Ninewells Drive #dundeewestend



A resident recently wrote to me to advise :

**“My children attend the Busy Bees nursery by Ninewells Hospital and are dropped off and picked up on foot most days.**

**However, this is a daily struggle, as there is no pedestrian crossing that allows safe crossing of Ninewells Drive into Thomas Wise Place.**

**At busy times, we often stand by the side of the road for 5-10 minutes whilst holding on to small people!**

**This is clearly an unsafe situation and I worry it is only a matter of time before it goes wrong.**

**And I’m certainly not alone in this issue, many other parents and people working on Thomas Wise Place share this frustration on a daily basis.”**

This is a very good point as Ninewells Drive – the main entrance road into the hospital from Ninewells Avenue – can be extremely busy.

The road is part of the NHS Tayside estate but I sought the views of the City Council's Head of Sustainable Transport & Roads who gave me the following very useful feedback :

**"You are correct that Ninewells Drive and Thomas Wise Place form part of the NHS estate.**

**Dundee City Council and NHS Tayside have been liaising on potential active travel improvements within the estate, and have identified the crossing location.**

**Dundee City Council is planning to bid for external funding in the summer (when Sustrans reopen the Places for Everyone fund to applications) to progress the design phase of an active travel improvement project at Ninewells estate.**

**We will brief you on the outcome of the funding application when confirmed.**

**Should funding be secured for the design phase, NHS Tayside and Dundee City Council will have opportunity to bid for funding from Sustrans for the construction of the works.**

**This would require match funding contribution from Dundee City Council / NHS Tayside and a review of allocation requirements would be held after completion of the design phase once project estimates are refined."**

I will, of course, keep residents updated.

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**[Blether Tay-Gither – Storytelling in Dundee – tonight!](#)**

# Blether Tay-Gither



Blether Tay-Gither is the Dundee Storytelling Group.

**From Sheila Kinninmonth, Blether Tay-Gither's secretary :**

March sees our 15th birthday and our Zoom meeting is this evening!

Our theme (if you need one) is THE MOON – all welcome!

The Zoom meeting details are :

Topic: Blether Tay-Gither – March

Time: Mar 29, 2022 07:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83241440387>

Meeting ID: 832 4144 0387

Passcode: wormmoon