Parish News

Parish Clerk

Mr Peter Smith of Clawthorpe has been appointed by the Parish Council as Parish Clerk to replace Charles Dale. Peter had a distinguished career in the Royal Air Force before moving to Clawthorpe. He has subsequently been the Chairman of the Standards Committee of South Lakeland District Council and brings a wealth of experience in local government to the parish council. Charles has been the Parish Clerk since July 2004 and his commitment to gaining the Certificate in Local Council Administration enabled the Council to obtain Quality Parish status. The councillors are grateful for his work in supporting the Council and community at large and hope he enjoys his retirement from local government.

Road Safety & Traffic Management

The following recommendations were made by the Cumbria Highways engineer after a site visit in Burton. General:- Renew road markings along the A6070

Remove some signs to reduce clutter Replace faded signs Relocate school flashing lights by bus shelter Provide entry red surface strips and 'road narrow signs' at entry to the narrow section of Main Street

Church Bank House to Sunny Bank

Provision of double white lines to prevent overtaking or provide a metre wide central hatched marking.

A6070 north of the village

Review the extent of the 30 m.p.h speed limit, with a consideration of an initial 40 m.p.h zone. Providing red patches and speed roundels on the road surface.

Street Lights

If you notice a street lamp not working on your road please report to the Highways Hotline, that receives calls on 0845 6096609. You will be asked for the lamp column number, which is to be found in large yellow numerals halfway up each column, and the name of the road. A quick call to the Highways Hotline will ensure a speedy response.

Parish Plan

The location of the bus shelter at the south of the village will be adjacent to the bus stop, which is used at present. The location was agreed by representatives of the parish council and Cumbria County Council. The shelter will be painted green. The parish council could not access adequate funding for improving the boggiest areas of Slape Lane. It has decided to address the problem using local volunteers.

Burton Playing Ground

The Playing Ground Committee has raised over £26,000. This sum includes a grant of £10,000 from Cumbria County Council's Children's Services, £9000 from the Aggregate Levy Sustainability Fund and £2000 from the estate of the late Mr Bob Mason. A large 'basket' swing that will carry several children and a zip wire have been installed. Seating for weary parents and admiring grandparents will be provided. A couple of rocking-horse seats also will be installed. The chain bridge is to be refurbished by the parish council.

Road works

The A6070 north of Clawthorpe is to be resurfaced completely as far as Holme. The collapsed gully pot and drain outside the butcher's shop have finally been repaired, six months after the initial request to do so. The A6070 north and south of the village and Tarn Lane have been patched. These are only temporary repairs, but at least it is a start. Work has started on Main Street to carry out permanent repairs to the road surface. Greenbank Bridge which carries the road over the M6 into Holme (opposite the entrance to Curwen Woods) is closed until the beginning of November for repairs. Traffic for Holme will be diverted via the underpass under the motorway to the North Road end of the village.

Dropped Kerbs

Two dropped kerbs have been placed at the junction of Tanpits Lane and Vicarage Lane. A further three dropped kerbs have been placed at the junction of Main Street and Morewood Drive, by the school. This should make progress easier for wheelchair users and pram-pushers.

Allotments

Neil France, the landlord of the King's Arms, has offered the use of land to the rear of the car park for four allotments. An offer of land for allotments at Sunny Bank, north of the village, has been made by a local landowner.

Switchover to Digital Television

If you watch BBC North West and ITV Granada you will go digital when the Winter Hill transmitter and all its relays switch over on 4th November and 2nd December.

Switching to digital is easy. There are several different ways of getting digital television, including satellite tv. If all you want to do is to convert your television and watch through an aerial, all you need is a digital box (sometimes called a set-top box). If your aerial is in good condition and you get a clear analogue picture before the switchover, it should receive digital television without any difficulty. There is no such thing as a "digital" aerial—so don't be persuaded to buy a new one unless you are sure your old one needs to be replaced.

At switchover, everyone will have to tune in or retune their digital television equipment to receive the new digital signals. Because switchover happens in two stages (on 4 November and 2 December) you will have to do this twice - (once on each date). All viewers who watch tv through an aerial have to do this - even those who are already watching digital.

Retuning is easy. Switch on your tv and your digital box. Press the MENU button on the remote control. Select the SETUP or INSTALLATION menu and then select AUTO SET UP or UPDATE to re-tune the channels. Some tv's and digital boxes will ask you for a code. If you haven't already changed it this is usually either 0000 or 1234. You will need to re-tune your equipment from time to time in the future too as channels are regularly updated. If you need help with re-tuning at switchover, you can call Digital UK on 08456 50 50 50. It will help if you can quote the make and model of your tv and/or digital box.

Help for older people and those with disabilities?

Everyone aged 75 and over and those with a severe disability, who receives or is entitled to receive disability living allowance or attendance allowance is entitled to special help with switchover. Those on Pension Credit, Income Support or income-based Job Seeker's Allowance will not have to pay anything for this help. Other eligible households will be asked to pay a small standard charge of £40 which will be a contribution towards the cost of all the necessary work including the provision and installation of the equipment and after-installation support to make sure it is working and the viewer knows how to work it. The

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help scheme provides a number of different options for viewers to choose from. The standard offer is for the installation of a free-to-air satellite system from Sky TV, but other options include the provision and installation (if requested) of a digital box or the provision of an integrated digital television (on payment of the appropriate additional cost). The Help Scheme has sent options packs and more information to all eligible viewers. If you know of anyone who hasn't received anything, or if anyone you know needs more information or advice call the Help Scheme direct on 0800 408 5901. They can also help with completing the application forms.

Fire & Rescue Service Community Volunteers

Are you ever stuck for something to do with your free time and fancy a change?

We are currently looking for volunteers to join our team to get out and about in the community to help spread the community fire safety message.

As a volunteer you'll be able to get involved in all sorts of different activities within your community such as:

- · Gaining referrals for free home fire safety visits
- Assisting in the carrying out of home fire safety visits and fitting free smoke detectors.
- Helping at community days and events.
- Getting involved with campaigns and speaking to local residents about community and road safety issues.
- Assisting with youth engagement events
- Supporting us in the delivery of Heart Start Basic Life Skills Training

Community Volunteers are given training, a uniform and are paid any out of pocket expenses.

For more information about becoming a volunteer with Cumbria Fire & Rescue Service please telephone 01900 820 247 or email :volunteers@cumbriafire.gov.uk Website at www.cumbriafire.gov.uk

Useful Telephone Numbers:-

Crimestoppers Hotline	0800 555 111
Community Police	0845 3300247
Highways Hotline	0845 6096609
Fly-tipping Hotline	0800 807 060
Cumbria County Council	01539 773000
switchboard	
South Lakeland District Council	01539 733333
switchboard	

Your Councillors

Francis Mason-Hornby	01524 782442	
Chairman		
Richard Boddy	01524 781473	
Vice-Chairman / Rep on Burton Recreation Trust		
John Brown	01524 782066	
Memorial Hall Committee	Rep	
Jane Hopwood	01524 781248 (evening)	
Quarry Liaison Committee Rep		
Ian Hunt	01524 781978 (evening)	
George Isherwood	01524 781132	
Burton Morewood School Governor		
Paul Rogers	01524 782660	
Mike Taylor	01524 781334 (evening)	
Alan Wren	01524 781387 (evening)	
Quarry Liaison Committee	Rep	
Our County and District C	Councillor is Roger Bingham	
Email:- roger.bingham@cumbriacc.gov.uk		
Our other District Councillor is Brian Cooper		
Tel:- 01524 781998		

Clerk to the Council

Until 16 October

Charles Dale:- Russell Cottage, Dalton, Burton in Kendal, via Carnforth LA6 1NN Tel: 01524 781145

After 16 October

Peter Smith:- Piper's Barn, Piper's Lane, Clawthorpe, Burton in Kendal, via Carnforth LA6 1NX Tel: 01524 782198

E-mail: parish.clerk@burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk

The Parish Council meets at 7.30. p.m. in Burton Memorial Hall on the third Thursday of every month. Minutes and the Agenda are displayed on the notice board at the north end of the Memorial Hall and on the Parish Council Website. The meetings are open to the public and there is an Open Forum, if you wish to raise a matter with the Parish Council. We are always pleased to hear from the residents of the parish. Designed by Des Metcalfe



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