#### Your Councillors

Paul Rogers Chairman 01524 782660

unairman

Janet Alderson 01524 782049

Rep on Burton Recreation Trust

Richard Boddy

01524 781473

John Brown

01524 782066

Jane Hopwood

01524 781248 (evening)

George Isherwood

01524 781132

**Burton Morewood School Governor** 

Richard Lawson

01524 781576

Francis Mason-Hornby

01524 782644

Vice-Chairman

Quarry Liaison Committee Rep

Alan Wren

01524 781387 (evening)

Quarry Liaison Committee Rep Memorial Hall Committee Rep

#### Clerk to the Council

Charles Dale:- Russell-Cottage, Dalton, LA6 1NN Tel: 01524 781145

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

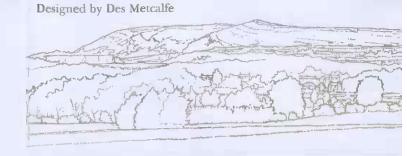
The Parish Council meets at 7.30, p.m. in Burton Memorial Hall on the third Thursday of every month. Minutes and the Agenda are displayed on the noticeboard at the south end of the Memorial Hall and on the Parish Council Website. The meetings are open to the public and there is an Open Forum, if you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

## **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	

Our County and District Councillor is Roger Bingham Email:- roger.bingham@cumbriacc.gov.uk

Our Member of Parliament is Tim Farron Tel:- 01539 723403



# BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL



# **Quarterly Newsletter**

Keeping you in touch with Parish News

## Spring 2008

Visit our website at
www.burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk
Contact us or leave a comment
on the feedback page.
Ask to have the agendas and minutes
of the council meetings sent to you
by e-mail.

Your views count!

## **PARISH NEWS**

Lengthsman

The funding from the County Council and DEFRA for this scheme has been extended but finishes at the end of March. However, this pilot scheme will not be adopted across Cumbria as Cumbria Highways believe it can do a better job by using its employees. These workmen will be called highways stewards and each steward will be responsible for eleven parishes. The parish council do not believe this will be an effective way of keeping the roads, footways, verges and public footpaths in good order. The highways stewards will not collect roadside litter, strim the verges or maintain seats. The parish council with our neighbouring councils in Holme and Endmoor have decided to continue using the services of Mr Holmes, the parish lengthsman. There is a possibility that these parish councils may get some degree of financial support from the County Council.

Area Highways Team

These workmen from Cumbria Highways spent four days in Holme, Burton and Dalton in February attending to a list of routine minor works supplied by the parish councils. This planned visit is part of a pilot scheme to produce a more effective system of highways maintenance. However, in Burton from the list of eight works supplied by the parish council to Cumbria Highways only four were carried out. Some unrequested pothole repairs were carried out, but potholes reported to the Highways Hotline were not. That is why the parish council doubt the effectiveness of the proposed highways stewards' scheme.

### Parish Council Elections

On 1st May all the nine councillors' seats on the parish council will be subject to an election if more than nine candidates submit their nominations to South Lakeland District Council's Electoral Officer. Details of the process and how to submit an application will be displayed on the parish council notice board in due course. These elections will be on the same Thursday as the elections for South Lakeland District Council.

Paper bank in the Memorial Hall car park This is for paper and greeting cards only. Envelopes, because of the gum and plastic windows, thick cardboard and tetrapack drink cartons should <u>not</u> be placed in the bank. Similarly, plastic covers of periodicals and magazines should <u>not</u> be left on the publications when placing them in the bank. By doing so the contents of the bank are rendered worthless and will end up in a landfill site. So the actions of a few thoughtless people undo the efforts of everyone else.

Royal Hotel

No news as ever on the future of this establishment. Contractors have removed the ivy from the chimney breast and the upper storey on the south elevation of the building in the Square.

Boon Town Playing Field

Despite the excessive rainfall in January the builders are making steady progress and the playing field should be reopened in the summer. A new slide will be installed to replace the one demolished to make way for the housing.

Sustainable Communities Act

This Act which became law in October, allows local authorities to make proposals which they consider would contribute to the sustainability of their communities. Proposals must be submitted by the local authorities in October 2008 to the Local Government Association, which has been appointed by the Government to oversee the process. Local authorities will have the option to opt in or out of the process. The parish council will be given the opportunity to respond to consultations by the County Council and South Lakeland District Council and put forward ideas for the sustainability of our community.

Adult Social Care

Cumbria County Council has asked to have the following article placed in the newsletter -Ed

Direct Payments are cash payments made to individuals who have been assessed as needing services, in lieu of directly provided care. Like all social care services they are subject to the council's financial assessment process and a contribution may be assessed.

People use Direct Payments in various ways, for example they may pay a friend or carer to take them to a Social

Club instead of attending a day centre. They may arrange to have lunch provided at a local pub or café instead of having a carer cook for them. Some purchase care from a local agency, others employ a personal assistant directly or pay a neighbour or friend. It is possible to have both care from the council and a Direct Payment for some of the things you need. Carers can use them to organise respite care at home or away from home. You can use them for minor adaptations and equipment where the standard issue equipment is not what you want. You can take your Direct Payment on holiday with you and purchase care at your destination. These are some examples of how people are taking control and making the choices that they want.

If you think Direct Payments might be right for you or someone you know, then contact your local Adult Social Care Office or contact Direct Payment Advice and Support Service by ringing them on 0845 1249303 or e-mailing them at <a href="mailto:cumbriadp@aol.com">cumbriadp@aol.com</a>

Winter Warming

Now that winter is nearly over some people will be thinking that their houses should be better insulated. Around a third of all heat lost in un-insulated houses is through the walls with a further quarter through the roof.

Cavity wall insulation in suitable buildings could save around £90 a year and insulating your loft, to the recommended depth of 270mm, could cut your bills by a further £110 per year. If your main heating is electricity or solid fuel you could have cavity insulation installed for as little as £49 and loft insulation for £109. For those properties that do not have cavities, internal or external insulation is also available, from full external rendering to flexible insulating linings which can be applied like wallpaper and are suitable for DIY fitting.

For free, impartial, energy efficiency advice call Cumbria Energy Efficiency Advice Centre on 0800 512 012 where a dedicated team of advisors is available to provide information about grants and discounts available. Alternatively visit the website at <a href="https://www.energyinfo.org.uk">www.energyinfo.org.uk</a>