

Planning and Development in Burton-in-Kendal

Many of you will have seen the reports in the Westmorland Gazette which described the development plans for South Lakeland. These are part of the so-called Local Development Framework. This is the South Lakeland District Council document which defines the planning strategy for the whole district. Part of it is the Land Allocations Document which has just been issued for public consultation.

The Land Allocations Document describes sites throughout the district where the district council would support development. That is not to say that development will definitely take place there. Rather, if the land owner wished to build on those sites then the district council would approve the development subject to the development passing the normal planning application process.

There are several sites in Burton and in Holme where development is proposed. In Burton the following four housing development sites are proposed:

- The top of Morewood Drive.
- Above Church Bank Gardens.
- Between the multi-use games area and the children's playground.
- Junction of the A6070 and Dalton Lane.

Development of employment sites are proposed at:

- Clawthorpe Hall.
- Green Dragon Farm.
- Station Lane south of Holme Mills

The public consultation will run until March and the Parish Council encourage you to respond to the District Council. If you would like to copy your response to the Parish Clerk, the Parish Council will take your views into account when developing their response to the consultation.

County and District Council Budget Consultations

Both the County Council and District Council are running budget cutting consultations at the moment. In both cases the councils are asking respondents which services they should protect and which they should cut.

The Parish Council will respond to these consultations but they are really designed for collecting views from as many people as possible. The consultations may be completed online or paper copies may be requested. The Parish Clerk has a few copies of each so you may call him first if you wish. The closing date is 31 January 2011.

Useful Telephone Numbers:-

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

Your Councillors

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01524 781473

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01524 782660

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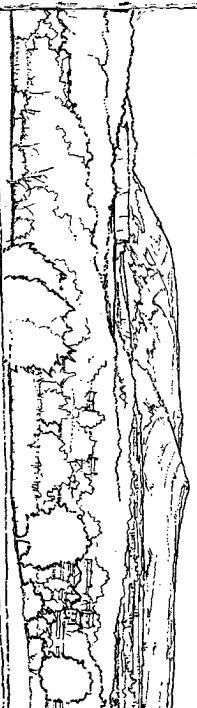
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The Parish Council meets at 7.30 pm in Burton Memorial Hall on the third Thursday of every month. Minutes and the Agenda are displayed on the notice board at the north end of the Memorial Hall and on the Parish Council Website. The meetings are open 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



BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

Quarterly Newsletter

Keeping you in touch with Parish News

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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 email.

Your views count!

Parish News

Telephoning the Police

On the back of this newsletter we have always published a list of useful telephone numbers. Thoughtlessly, the first number on the list used to be the "Crimestoppers" number. Not surprisingly some people have used this number to contact the police and report a crime. However, Crimestoppers is an independent charity established to help find criminals and solve crimes. The telephone number was set up to allow anonymous information to be collected and passed to the police. To quote Crimestoppers:

"The information you give us is passed onto the police in such a way that they do not know who you are; we have never given the police information about our callers. It's a simple and secure way of bringing criminals to justice, without anybody knowing who the information came from."

Clearly this is not a great benefit if you are hoping for a quick response from the police to come to your assistance.

The correct number to contact the police to report a crime is either the emergency number 999, or the Community Police number 0845 3300 247.

Police advise that you use the Emergency Number 999 to contact the police in situations where:

- A crime is happening now.
- People are injured.
- People are being threatened or are in danger.
- The offender is still there or is nearby.

Use the Non Emergency Community Police Number 0845 33 00 247 in situations where:

- There is no immediate danger to life.
- A crime is not in progress.
- The offender is not nearby.

Or in situations where:

- You have a general enquiry.
- You want to contact your local neighbourhood policing team.
- You want to report something that has happened.

Winter Roads

The snow and ice arrived early this year. Fortunately the grit heaps and the grit bins had been filled. Those residents who have been spreading grit on the slopes and dangerous bends earn thanks from all of us.

Please use moderation when using the grit on steep sections of the roads. After the first fall of snow last December some residents quickly emptied the grit bins by shovelling large amounts of grit over small areas of the road surfaces. As a result there was no grit available for several days until the County Council could replenish the bins. A light scattering of grit over the road surface is all that is required. It is easier to achieve this by using a large bucket and a dust pan to spread the grit rather than a spade or a shovel. Also the County Council provides this facility for the gritting of the highway, not for using on garden paths and driveways. Table salt or sand is suitable for the garden path.

Finally, if the grit bin is empty please call the highways hotline to ask for a replenishment. If you prefer, please call the parish clerk who will call the county council on your behalf.

The A2B Travel Card for Young People

A new concessionary bus fare scheme for young people is being introduced. The A2B NoW card will provide discounted travel for young people between the ages of 5 and 18 living in South Lakeland. There will be a cap of £1 for single journeys and £1.80 for return fares. The aim is to make it cheaper for young people in South Lakeland to access leisure activities.

The scheme will work with a "smartcard" which can be obtained for a cost of £5. It will allow the holder to travel on any journey in South Lakeland and, provided the journey starts in South Lakeland, the card may be used for trips to Penrith, Keswick, Barrow, Kirby Stephen and Lancaster.

The scheme will be available every day on existing services except before 9:30am and between 3:00 and 5:00pm during school term times.

In order to take advantage of the scheme young people will need to complete an application form which is available on-line at www.cumbria.gov.uk/a2bnow, or by calling 01539 713180, or from local libraries.

Applications will be processed by local libraries – all the details of what to do are on the application form.

Race to Infinity

You will probably have seen all the publicity, both national and local, for communities to register their interest in having their telephone exchange upgraded to the faster fibre optic broadband. The five areas with the largest percentage of votes by 31 December will be added to the list of communities to be upgraded first. The Parish Council is encouraging all household to register. As a bonus winning communities will also receive a donation towards computer equipment for a local project. If you are an internet user and you haven't yet registered, there is still time – just. Go to www.racetoinfinity.bt.com to register your vote.

Celebrating the Jubilee and Royal Wedding (or just having a street party)

Many of us are already thinking about celebrating the Royal Wedding and the Queen's Jubilee. The government have written to all councils to encourage people to hold street parties, festivals, picnics and similar community functions to celebrate these national events. The government is keen to ensure that enthusiasm for these events is not dampened or extinguished because of red tape or bureaucracy. No community group should be put off from marking the occasion because they are worried about the costs of insurance or licences. Unnecessary central government regulations have been removed and licensing councils have been instructed not to over-interpret the rules.

The government have published a short guide to the regulations for organising a street party. The two requirements are that community approval must be obtained and arrangements must be made for diverting traffic. There is a short form to complete which should be submitted to South Lakeland District Council for approval.

Unsurprisingly the short form is a bit more complicated than the government announcement implies. However, there is nothing that would prevent street events being organised in Burton-in-Kendal. The guidance can be down-loaded from the www.communities.gov.uk website. If you decide to organise a street event and would like help with the form please call the parish clerk who will be pleased to help.