

# PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



# July 2018

# Out-going Chairman's Report 2017/18

Throughout the year the Parish Council has been working hard to address a number of key issues on behalf of residents.

Still a key concern is the number of potholes throughout Wheelton and damage on the road system in general. Whilst LCC may have little funding to carry out major road development, it is their responsibility to repair what roads they have and we have been chasing them to do this. Currently, with the help of residents, the local Borough and County Councillors we are managing to get action on this issue albeit with what appears a 20 plus day wait in most cases.

We are still waiting for all residents to get good reliable access to the high speed Internet connectivity. It would appear that certain companies are finding it very difficult to get access to Openreach cabinets – we hope this will change soon as it allows for competition and cheaper prices for residents.

We secured funding towards new play equipment from Addactus and Chorley funding for the railings around the green on Meadow Street. This highlights how important it is for the Parish Council to work in partnership with all local agencies. Importantly, it has helped us have support through Chorley's grant scheme and to be recommended for a Defibrillator with 24 hour access at the Village Hall. We are awaiting confirmation that a Defibrillator will also be available at Higher Wheelton.

Our suggestion to the Post Office to work with the LCC's mobile Library Service seems to have fallen on deaf ears, but it now looks like we will have a PO facility based at the Village Hall on Friday afternoons courtesy of the Village Hall Committee. Watch this space! I would to like to take this opportunity of thanking all the people who spend their time volunteering in our community-they are the people that help make Wheelton a more pleasant place to live. Once again very many thanks for all the work they do, especially the Village Hall Committee who additionally organised another very successful Easter Eggstravaganza Treasure Trail.

We are still looking for available land in Higher Wheelton to build a Playground in that part of the Village and the Chorley Council would look carefully at helping to secure funds

I thank all my councillor colleagues for their great local knowledge, all the time they put into our community on your behalf and thank also our Clerk Joanne Carr for her invaluable service to the Council.

Terry Dickenson . Chair 2017/18

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## Jobs in the garden for Summer

Hoe boarders to keep down weeds Position summer hanging baskets outside Mow the lawn once a week or more if needed

Plant out summer bedding Stake tall or floppy plants

Shade greenhouses to keep them cool & prevent scorch. Prune may/spring flowering shrubs



As the new Chair of the Parish Council, I would like to say thank you to Terry Dickenson, for all his hard work, dedication to the community and endless enthusiasm for such a long time as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council. He, and the Council, have achieved a great deal over the years and just as Terry has (he will, I am sure, list the achievements for you) I hope to maintain the relevance and power of the Council going forward. As Terry will continue to sit on the Council I look forward to continuing working with him and tap into his experience and expertise as well as the in depth knowledge of our hardworking Clerk, Joanne Carr (not forgetting all the other Councillors). This will enable a smooth transition and help me to get to grips with the role. I have been on the Parish Council for two years now, as a Councillor and a Vice-Chair.

As ever, the long term aim of the Parish Council is to ensure that Wheelton is a great place to live for all residents, and particularly young people and families. We aim to protect the identity of Wheelton as a village and oppose creeping suburbia, we also look to work closely with the Councils at Borough and County level to voice the concerns of our community and protect the services we have, against a backdrop of funding cuts and pressures to local budgets.

Mathew Harper Chairman 2018/19

# Forthcoming Dates of the Parish Council

Meetings are held on Mondays at 8.00pm in Wheelton Village Hall



No meeting in August 3 September 2018 1 October 2018 5 November 2018 3 December 2018 7 January 2019 4 February 2019

Public participation is welcomed, just contact the Clerk at least 14 days prior to the meeting so that the matter you wish to raise can be researched and added to the agenda.

## Advertising in the Newsletter

We are asking local businesses to consider advertising with us as all money raised will go towards the Playground Trust

If you have any ideas you would like to share whether for or against then please can you contact the Clerk or email <u>tdickenson.td@gmail.com</u>

If we can help in any way we will!

Are you a member of a local club and would like to have a write up of club events or forthcoming events? Please advise the Clerk so that we



# **Important Information** Wheelton Post Office®

From Friday 7 September 2018, we're currently planning to temporarily restore a Hosted outreach service to the Wheelton community, whilst we continue to seek a permanent solution. As detailed below.

Wheelton Hosted Outreach Service: Wheelton, Heapey & Wheelton Village Hall, West View, Wheelton, Chorley, PR6 8HJ

• Services A wide range of services will continue to be available.

• Access and facilities This branch has a wide door and level access at the entrance

• Transport / Parking Roadside parking is available outside the premises.

Route
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provious branch, along varied terrain

Opening times:	
Friday	14:15 - 16:15

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This year sees the centenary of the WW1 armistice and throughout the past year a special group has helped plan the commemoration of this momentous occasion.

The representative group consists of local residents, British Legion, Brownies and Guides, Village Hall Committee, War Memorial Trust and both Wheelton and Heapey Parish Councils. This is a community event which will recognise the sacrifice made by local people on our behalf.

Further details will be published on the Parish Council's website and in Notice Boards in due course.

We hope to see you all on 11 November 2018!



### DEFIBRILLATOR

The Parish Council are investigating the Installation of a community use Defibrillator in conjunction with the Chorley Council Eastern Neighborhood Parishes.





It is hoped that this would be sited on the outside of the Village Hall and be able to be used in an emergency whether the Village Hall was open or not.

# Be a know it all

Find out what's really happening in your area - receive regular crime updates, information on road closures and learn about what your local neighbourhood policing team is doing.

In The Know is the free messaging service brought to you by Lancashire Police where you decide when and how you are kept informed about the issues that matter to you.

Visit: www.stayintheknow.co.uk

Don't forget to check our website www.wheeltonparishcouncil.org



# 1<sup>st</sup> Wheelton Brownies

1<sup>st</sup> Wheelton Brownies are continuing to work on their Brownie Adventure Challenges and have gained their Brownie World Guiding and World Issues badges after finding out about Brownies and Guides in Countries all over the World, making necklaces from airdry clay to look like monkey's teeth and learning how different life would be in another country, without the benefits of modern technology.

Our big Brownie Adventure this year has been joining other Rainbows, Brownies and Guides from across North West England Region at Stanley Park in Blackpool for our Region Energise Day -Guiding in Motion - where the Brownies tried out riding on a 4 wheel bike, a tricycle, and even a bike that went backwards, and had a go at football and tried long jump, and of course the inflatables. A fabulous day made all the more special as it was a lovely sunny.

Some of 1<sup>st</sup> Wheelton Brownies have learnt about Civil Engineering - how did they make Clifton Suspension bridge?, at Heapey Moor's District Activity Day.

There has been a total revamp of not only the Brownie programme, but all sections and we eagerly await the launch of this programme where we all find new challenges.

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# 1<sup>st</sup> Wheelton Brownies



The big change for 1<sup>st</sup> Wheelton Brownies from September onwards is our change of night and venue.

We will be meeting on Tuesday evenings, 6-7.30pm at Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall.  $1^{st}$  Wheelton Guides, however, will stay at St Chads School Hall on a Thursday with a slightly earlier meeting time of 7 - 8.30pm.

At the moment we have a few places available within 1<sup>st</sup> Wheelton Brownies. If your daughter is aged between 7 - 10 years old and is interested in joining in the fun or just trying it for a couple of weeks, then please contact Brown Owl, Jacqueline Berry on 07834 069562 or jberry.brownie@gmail.com. If your daughter is not quite 7 but is interested, then still please make contact.



Don't forget to check our website www.wheeltonparishcouncil.org roviding young people with somewhere to go, something to do and someone to talk to.



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