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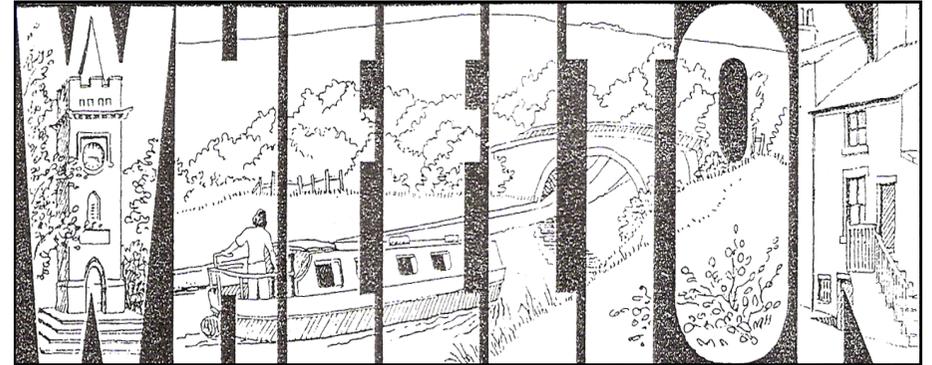
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PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

July 2014

Dear parishioners, friends and fellow councillors.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who volunteer in our community- they are the people that help make Wheelton a more pleasant place to live.

Whether it be as a member of the local Neighbourhood Watch for example; the Guides and Brownies, the Village Hall Committee and helpers and indeed the Parish Councillors. Each and every one of them gives their time freely and with the only reward being a real sense of community involvement!

Unfortunately, this May has seen some vandalism due to arson on the Playground –this is quite unprecedented because all our young people are very protective of this area. We have a description of one young female, but a question that has to be asked - Why was a group of young people on the playground at 2.30 am. Indeed, did their parents know they were out that late?

Throughout the year the Parish Council have been working hard as always to address a number of issues on your behalf.

We continue to be actively involved in resolving problems regarding safety within the area. This includes safe passage through the village for residents, bus services and emergency vehicles so they and you can reach their chosen destination and that cars are parked safely and considerately.

The Localism Bill gives us the opportunity to have our say on what kind of housing we want in the area including any Infrastructure development. We are hoping to bring together a group of residents, business owners and developers to look at local issues. One word of caution is that we will have to conform to all national and local priorities.

I thank all my councillor colleagues for the time they put into our community on your behalf.

May I on behalf of the Parish Council wish you a (hopefully) pleasant warm, relaxing summer break?

Terry Dickenson

Chair

Jobs in the garden for June

Hoe borders to keep down weeds

Position summer hanging baskets outside

Mow the lawn once a week

Plant out summer bedding

Stake tall or floppy plants

Shade greenhouses to keep them cool and prevent scorch

Prune may spring flowering shrubs



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New Borough Councillor

Thank you to the voters of Wheelton Parish, for electing me as representative for Wheelton and Withnell on Chorley Borough Council. I am no stranger to many of you having been a GP at Withnell Health Centre for many years. Now I am able to be of service in a different way and look forward to being actively involved in our local community. If you have any issues you would like to raise, my contact details are below. Thank you once again.

Margaret France Tel. 01254 830647 email margaret.france@chorley.gov.uk

Your other Borough Councillor is Chris France who, can be contacted as follows; Tel. 01254 832720 or chris.france@chorley.gov.uk and your local County Councillor is Kim Snape who can be contacted on Tel. 07868 327395 or at kim.snape@lancashire.gov.uk.

Together we will be working on your behalf to represent our community.

1st Wheelton Brownies

It has certainly been a year for celebrations and reflections. Not only is it 100 years since the outbreak of the 1st World War in 1914, it is 100 years since Lord Baden Powell and his sister Agnes started the Brownie section formerly known as Rosebuds.

1st Wheelton Brownies have been undertaking various activities spanning the 100 years, including learning about World Guiding, learning various knots and building a raft using these knots and then having a raft race. Some of the Brownies have gained their World Guiding and Watersafety interest badges. We have joined other Brownies across Lancashire North West County for our "Starquest" Brownie Day held at our activity centre Guys Farm, Forton. Some of the Brownies and Leaders are joining other Brownies for the Big Brownie Birthday Stay Away holiday during the summer holidays.

Here's to the next 100 years.

New members to 1st Wheelton Brownies are always welcome including parent helpers and we meet on Thursday evenings at St Chads School Hall, 6-7.30pm. if you are interested,. Please contact Jacqueline Berry on 01257 261269 or email jberry.brownie@hotmail.co.uk

Neighbourhood Planning

The Parish Council is considering the opportunities and threats made available by the Localism Bill. We would like to bring together interested parties to discuss the implications for the area. Neighbourhood planning allows us to add to National and Local Priorities and requirements a local flavour, in other words reflects the needs and aspirations of our community.

We are able to examine planning requirements, infrastructure and community development within this process and would be able to gain professional support from Chorley Borough Council. It gives us the opportunity to shape the future development of Wheelton. What it won't do is stop developments that conform to building and planning regulations or any other statutory requirements!

If you are a local property developer, business, resident, local organisations and are interested in finding out more then please contact the Clerk, Joanne Carr on wheeltonpc@btinternet.com and if there is sufficient interest then a meeting will be called at a convenient time.

Speed trailer

The Parish Council have been fortunate to be given a Speed Indicator Trailer which will be used throughout the parish as an advisory speed indicator. This will be stored locally and used by other councils in partnership with Wheelton. You may have seen a similar trailer used by the Police on the A674.

Hopefully this will reduce traffic accidents in the area.

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Playground

As you are aware the Children's Playground based at Meadow Street suffered some vandalism recently, resulting in approximately £1000 worth of damage.

What is so disappointing is that this was one area that was identified as a priority when the Council undertook the audit for the Parish Plan, and someone/some people caused damage to deny youngsters the use of this equipment.

Interestingly enough the playground has been 'protected' and looked after by our own young people so what has happened has disappointed them and their parents. Rather than dwell on the negative the council is looking to refurbish, in time, parts of the playground equipment.

So young people if there are any ideas you have for replacement equipment can you let any councillor know.



Lancashire Local Access Forum is wishing to progress a project called Lancashire's Lost Ways in response to the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (CROW). The Act proposes:

That all unrecorded footpaths and bridleways cannot be recorded on the Definitive Map and Statement after the 1 January 2026.

In order to ensure worthwhile public rights of way currently unrecorded are not lost after the 2026 cut-off I am in the process of attracting volunteers to undertake research to identify them. Volunteers will be provided with the necessary training and support to undertake such a task and I would appreciate if you could circulate and champion the attached flier to anyone you consider would be interested in volunteering for the project.

If anyone has any questions relating to volunteering please forward them my contact details and I will be happy to discuss further.

Yours sincerely

Linda Andersen - Parish Delivery officer

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Car Parking Issues throughout the Village

As we are all aware Wheelton has very little car parking space throughout its entirety. Lower Wheelton especially with its desirable brick built terraced housing and stone cottages has become a sought after place to live and relax, just like Higher Wheelton. Property prices are high and most people have more than one car. Certainly if you trawl back through Council minutes this problem has been ongoing for 40 years or more. All parts of Wheelton "suffer" from little space to park.

But let's dispel some myths about the area:

The Village Hall car park is not a public car park, it's for users of the Village Hall and was required by the planning authority as such

Parking on footpaths and not allowing space for prams or wheelchairs to pass safely through is legally obstruction and can be dealt with by the local Police

Double parking and parking on yellow lines can bring about various fines

No one has the 'right' to park immediately outside their home

It would appear that the above is harsh but that is the legal position. THE BIG question we should all ask ourselves is why do we want to live in Wheelton? Is it because it is such a lovely place with the very essence of Village life? All of this raises the fundamental question- Are we "killing" our village by the way we park our vehicles?

Advertising in the Newsletter

We are seriously looking at ways of raising revenue for the Play Ground (Trust) and are considering, for the first time, advertising by local businesses in the Parish Newsletter.

What's your view on this?

If you have any ideas you would like to share whether for or against then please can you contact the Clerk or email tdickenson@tesco.net

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Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee

Registered *Charity Number*: 515631

Table Top Sale

Saturday 13 September 2014

10.00am - 3.00pm

Admission 50p

20 tables available @ £10 per table

To reserve your table, please complete the form below and return it together with the £10 booking fee (non-returnable) to the address on the form. Parking restrictions apply. For any further information please phone Pat on 01254 830591

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Forthcoming Dates of the Parish Council

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



No meeting in August

1 September 2014

6 October 2014

3 November 2014

1 December 2014

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.