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## **SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

### **FORTH COMING PUB NIGHTS & EVENTS**

**FEBRUARY – NO PUB NIGHT**

**MARCH – NO PUB NIGHT**

#### **CAR TREASURE HUNT – SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

cars starting 4.30pm-6pm £5 a car

followed by Jackets Potatoes with various fillings £3 each

Bring your own refreshments

#### **SOUTH LAKES WILD ANIMAL PARK TRIP – Date TBC**

Details to follow

#### **A BIT OF A Do – SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

BBQ & Disco

Details to Follow

# Walton News

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**Welcome to the 1st Edition of 2013 of the Newsletter brought to you by Walton Parish Council.**

### **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

The annual parish meeting will take place on Monday 11th March 2013 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

The Annual Parish Meeting is your chance to have your say about the issues that affect you in the parish. Although the meeting is hosted by the Parish Council and facilitated by the PC Chairman, the meeting is NOT a parish council meeting. It is however your chance to discuss issues that are important to you and allows YOU to decide what issues to ask the PC to face.

You as parishioners make the decisions and actions you want to see happen and then present them to the Parish Council via the Clerk at their next meeting (May 2013). It is then up to the Parish Council to listen to them and although they are not legally bound to act on them it does give you an opportunity to ensure that we know exactly what you are thinking.

If you would like any items on the agenda of this important meeting please make sure you let Sarah have them by Friday 1st March.

### **SPEEDING**

We have been informed by the police that some drivers have been prosecuted in the parish for speeding. We don't have any further information at this time but we are continuing to press for speed indication devices to be put in the parish.

## CUMBRIA IN BLOOM

At the January meeting of the Parish Council we



*Cumbria in Bloom*  
"growing neighbourhoods"



were fortunate to hear a presentation by Brian Hill of Cumbria in Bloom. Residents who live in the Village are now being given the opportunity to decide whether they want to think about entering Cumbria in Bloom either this year or next year. The competition does rely heavily on the appearance of private front gardens but the Parish Council would like to promote the Village Greens and Lime Trees primarily, with an emphasis on permanent landscaping as opposed to introducing flower tubs etc. **Are you interested?** If we can gather two or three volunteers then Brian will return to chat in depth to you. Please contact Jonathan who can make the necessary arrangements. Either email Jonathan@waltonparish.co.uk or telephone him on 3431.

## RECYCLING BINS

Thank you to everyone who has made the effort to take their recycling to the Village Hall. Your efforts have raised £200 this year for the Parish Council. We would like to point out that if the bins are full when you arrive at them please telephone 01228 817200 and the team will arrange for them to be emptied promptly.

## CHILDRENS SUMMER ACTIVITY SCHEME

The Parish Council are currently considering whether to enrol in the Summer Activity Scheme run by Carlisle and District Sport and Physical Activity Alliance Foundation. The scheme provides supervised activity days at very low cost for children aged 5—12. The Council need to try and source some funding for the days and if we are successful we will hopefully be able to provide either one, two or three days in the Village Hall during the summer holidays. If you are interested in your children attending such days then please keep checking regularly for booking details on the noticeboards and website. In the event of the days going ahead then priority will be given to children who live in Walton parish before being opened up to fill capacity to neighbouring children.



## DONATIONS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council are approached regularly for donations. These can be from groups within the Parish such as St. Mary's Church (for the churchyard) or the Village Hall. We also regularly get donation requests from other non-parish based groups such as Brampton Red Squirrel Group and the Great North Air Ambulance.

The decision on whether to make a donation to these groups rests with the Parish Councillors and they take into account the group, the project, the amount of money requested and the amount of money the Parish Council has. In order to try and ensure a fair and consistent approach we have decided to introduce a standard [application form](#). The form is quick and simple to complete and will help ensure that Councillors have the full information necessary to make an informed decision about the support we give.

If you are a community organisation and are thinking about applying to the Council for funds then you can get a copy of the form from our website ([www.waltonparish.co.uk](http://www.waltonparish.co.uk)) or from the Clerk.

## BROADBAND

The contract between Cumbria County Council and BT Global Service was signed at the end of November 2012, which plans to deliver superfast broadband (30Mbps) to 93% of Cumbria, with the remaining 7% receiving a minimum speed of 2Mbps. Details of the contract are still unknown, and some final State Aid approval is awaited, but details should not be too far away. The roll out phase then takes place, but information of which places will receive the upgrade, and when, are still under wraps. Watch this space!

## TRANSPORT

My name is Russell Maddams, I work for Cumbria County Council in the Integrated Transport Team as a Locality Transport Officer covering the Eden and Carlisle Districts. I have recently been appointed to deal with issues raised by people having problems accessing local services.

So if you don't drive and can't access transport to local services, please feel free to contact me by email [Russell.maddams@cumbria.gov.uk](mailto:Russell.maddams@cumbria.gov.uk) or by phone 07780227881 and I will see if I can help.

## COMMUNITY LED PLAN

An open meeting was held on Saturday 26th January following the distribution door-to-door of a survey showing our potential action plan for the next three to five years. Although the turnout at the meeting was low we did get some interesting comments returned on the survey sheets.

We will now collate all of the answers from both the questionnaires and produce the final report. Hopefully the updated census data will be available for us to include before we are ready to print. Once it is written we will ask the Parish Council to adopt it and start working towards it's goals. We will need to decide how many copies of the full report to print. There will be a master copy available to read in the Village Hall and it will also be available to download from the website. In order to decide how many to print we would like to know if you would like your own printed copy. You can pre-order one by getting in touch with the Clerk before 24 March 2013.

## CLERKS AND COUNCILLORS SURGERIES

Don't forget we are now running Councillors and Clerk's surgeries for those times you have a matter you wish to discuss with a councillor or the clerk but don't want to do this either over the phone or at a public meeting. We are running a **councillors surgery** for **30** minutes prior to each Parish Council meeting where you can meet one-on-one with a councillor in private. Please feel free to come along at 7pm to talk to a councillor. Also don't forget the Clerk will be available to speak to you in private in the Village Hall between 10am and 11am on:

Wednesday 27th February

Wednesday 24th April

Wednesday 26th June

As we said the last time please be aware that circumstances do sometimes change (e.g. holidays/children being ill) so this may not always be possible. The new arrangements will be for a trial period so please give us feedback on whether this is working.

## PRECEPT

At the January meeting the Parish Council decided to increase the annual precept by 1.5% to **£4952**. This equates to an increase of **£73** over the whole parish and with more than 120 properties you will see this is well under £1 per house increase. Although we still have relatively high reserves we are running at a loss each year and we feel a small increase to keep up with rising costs is essential to ensure we don't need a large increase in future years.

You are welcome at all PC Meetings. They are scheduled to take place at 7.30pm in the Village Hall:

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2013 (7pm start for Annual Parish Meeting)**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2013**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2013**

All meetings are subject to change so please check the website and noticeboard regularly. The official notice is placed 3 working days before the meeting on the notice board to confirm the date.

Additional meetings are called when necessary for urgent matters.

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## A CYCLING STAR IN OUR PARISH

Daniel Davies (aged 9) has been racing for the past three years, in the North West, but last year decided to try racing in Scotland. He joined a cycling club, and was asked to race for the club at Scottish Regional Level. During his racing which include MTB, Cyclo cross, Track, Grass & Road he has been able to enhance his cycling skills and as such has been selected to join the Regional Talent Youth Development Program (this program is by invitation only).



This program (Scottish Regional Youth Development Program) links into the British National Development Team and then into the British Senior Team, which underpins the Olympic Development Team. As part of his development he also has to attend Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome, Glasgow once a month to be trained in track cycling. He gets to share the boards with Team Raleigh, Team Rapha Condor Sharp, Scottish Senior National Team & Scottish Youth National Team.



Follow Daniel by using the link below;  
[http://www.southwestscotlandcyclingproject.com/reional\\_talent\\_programme.html](http://www.southwestscotlandcyclingproject.com/reional_talent_programme.html)

**Sid Bowman** represents our Parish at Carlisle City Council. If you have a City Council related issue which you wish to raise, he can be contacted at:

**01228 561185 or [SydB@carlisle.gov.uk](mailto:SydB@carlisle.gov.uk)**

**Lawrence Fisher** is your local County Councillor. If you have a County Council related issue which you wish to raise he can be contacted at:

**[Lawrence.fisher@cumbria.gov.uk](mailto:Lawrence.fisher@cumbria.gov.uk) or on 01228 512550**

## READING ROOM

We are pleased to announce that the reading room is almost finished being refurbished. We will be hosting an opening day party where you will have the chance to inspect our redeveloped community asset and also where we can say a formal thank you to all the funders and people who have made this huge project happen!

The refurbishment has cost over £10,000 and without the support of many grants we simply could not have achieved this so our thanks go to: Councillor Fisher, Councillor Bowman, Brampton Neighbourhood Forum, Carlisle City Council/Carlisle Parish Council's Association, Walton Parish Council, Walton Village Hall Social Committee, the Hadfield Trust and the Co-op! Thank you so much!

We will be opening on **Sunday 17th March** between **2pm and 4pm** with complimentary coffee and cake. Everyone is welcome to come along so please do join us.

## BOOKINGS SECRETARY

The Village Hall Management Committee would like to offer their sincere thanks to **Margaret Winter** who has retired as bookings secretary after many years dedicated service. We have been unfortunately unable to find a replacement yet so if you are interested in this volunteer role please do get in touch with James on 2769 or [james@waltonparish.co.uk](mailto:james@waltonparish.co.uk)

## VILLAGE HALL AGM

We are holding the Village Hall Management Committee AGM on Friday 17th May at 8pm in the Village Hall. You are more than welcome to come along and hear about both our year and that of our sub-committee the Walton Village Hall Social Committee.

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