

# TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL PARISH NEWS

## May 2004

### Chairman's Letter

The Village History Day on 20 March was a great success with nearly 200 visitors during the day, many of whom stayed more than an hour. Stephen O'Brien our MP kindly opened the day and has since sent a letter saying how much he enjoyed the event and the Exhibits. The purpose of the event was to make people aware that we are developing a Parish Plan with grant aid from the Countryside Agency. I would like to thank everybody who helped out in the organising and on the day and in particular Liz Scott who is leading the Parish Plan efforts. The material and data we used in the History Day is now on the Village computer and all residents can have access to it, so just ask.

Many people who attended filled in a brief questionnaire that has given us the basis to compile a detailed questionnaire about what you the residents want of our villages. This will be distributed to residents in July and I would urge everybody to fill in and return it so that you will have an influence on the future of the area you live in.

The Governments commitment to devolved decision making will mean that Parish Councils will have a greater say in areas such as planning. If we include our desires on future developments in our Parish Plan it will carry much greater weight in the County Planning process. The Parish Plan is not limited in its scope so please raise any areas of concern where you have a view. The timescale for completion of the Plan is the end of this year. We will need helpers in various village areas for a few hours delivering and collecting the questionnaires so please give me a call and do your bit for your community.

Some of you may have noticed that we now have a Village Orderly who can be seen around the villages in a Yellow "Chester City Council" jacket. The Parish Council employs him but the costs are being met by the City council. His function is to keep the place tidy with respect to litter, verges and the greens and he is doing a great job. If there are any small tasks you feel need doing please let me know but bear in mind that he does not have a JCB!

I wish I could say the same about United Utilities plc who have "resurfaced" the entrance path to the Sewage Plant in Huxley Lane. They have done this with ground up waste consisting mainly of glass, stone and bits of scrap metal and despite promising 3 months ago to apply a tarmac surface they have so far done absolutely nothing. As a result the vehicles using this path are spreading the waste on to the road. Please be assured we intend to have this rectified and if necessary we may have to resort to direct action.

Villages will shortly have a Web Site [www.tiverton-cheshire.org.uk](http://www.tiverton-cheshire.org.uk) and amongst other things there will be space for local small businesses to have an entry for free. Our thanks for the work of setting this up go to Steve Armitage.

Roger Cheshire  
Chairman Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall Parish Council  
732059

### Situation Vacant – Parish Clerk

Applicants are invited for the position of clerk to Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall Parish Council. The job includes producing agendas and taking minutes at the council meetings, following up action points, receiving and dealing with correspondence, keeping the Parish Council accounts and editing the newsletter. This is a salaried position which takes approximately two hours / week. Computer literacy and an internet connection are an advantage. For further details contact the existing clerk, Clare Gregory on 732517 or Chairman of the Parish Council Roger Cheshire on 732059

### 2004 Village Day

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June, A Date For Your Diary

Preparations are underway for this year's event with some surprises for the children and a fun day for everyone. The event will take place from midday to about 4.30 at the Deeside Ramblers Hockey Grounds and includes various sports, races etc for all ages. A barbeque courtesy of Diane and Rowena and of course the tombola supervised by Madge and Derek Marshall who would love to accept any items you may wish to donate (or the porch at 2 Castle View of more convenient). In the evening the "grown ups" are invited to join The Kads at the Village Hall again for a social dance. Tickets will be available shortly and numbers will be limited so book your spot with Audrey 733520 or Roger 732059. We do ask the villagers to support the Parish Council in helping make this a real "fun day" for everyone and of course all offers of help before or on the day will be more than welcome. Join us!

Audrey Povall 733520

## Parish Council

The Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council Annual meeting will be held consecutively on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May starting at 7.30pm in Tiverton Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting will include an update on the activities of Sedgemore College at Alraham and discussion of a **planning application for a telecommunications mast on the Deeside Ramblers Hockey Fields**.

## Tiverton Village Hall

Tiverton Village Hall AGM was held on Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup>. Officers and committee were all re-elected. Please make a note that as Maurice Hayward has now left the village, bookings for hire of the Village Hall are now being handled by Mike Farrall on 732855, to whom all enquiries should be directed.

The feasibility of putting into place a branch of "U3A" (University of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Age) in Tiverton was discussed at the AGM. This is an organisation aimed at the 50plus age group offering help to groups to pursue a wide-ranging spectrum of interests in a pleasurable way. The first step will be to inspect their website at the Drop In coffee morning held on the last Wednesday of each month in the Village Hall 10am –12noon. Participation will be welcome and your comments or expressions of interest would be appreciated. You ask – we try to oblige!

Audrey Povall  
733520

## Tilstone Fearnall Notice Board

The Parish Council is giving consideration to putting a notice board in Tilstone Fearnall for the placement of Council notices eg Agendas and Minutes of meetings. If, as a resident of Tilstone Fearnall you feel this facility would be of benefit to you please contact Parish Clerk Clare Gregory or a Parish Councillor to register your view. If no comments are received it will be assumed that a notice board is not wanted.

Clare Gregory  
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## Home Watch

Roger Blake of Meadow Cottage, Huxley Lane has now taken over the post of Homewatch Area Co-ordinator, Roger can be contacted on 733787.

Just to remind you of useful telephone and e-mail addresses. Our Rural Police Officer is Geraint Davies, stationed at Dragon Hall Police Station, telephone 771293 or e-mail [geraint.davies@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:geraint.davies@cheshire.pnn.police.uk) or if you cannot make contact then ring Chester Police Station on 01244 350222.

In an emergency ring 999. If you need any help on security matters contact Graham Marsden (Project Rural Matters) by phone on 771641 or e-mail- [graham@gmarsden.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:graham@gmarsden.fsnet.co.uk)

As the lighter evenings and long Summer days are now here be particularly careful and remember to keep an eye on your doors and windows if you are working in your garden. Always lock bicycles if left in the street and obviously lock your car at all times.

Tiverton Homewatch.