Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall Parish Council Newsletter August 2016

What's On

Evening Walk - Tuesday 9th August 7pm (meet at War Memorial)

Drop-In Coffee Morning - 25th August (last Thursday in every month) from 11am to 12am.

Harvest Festival – Friday 9th September at 2.30pm.

Gardening Club Autumn Show – 10th September

Bingo Night, with cheese and wine – Saturday 1st October.

Christmas Party – Saturday 17th December.

Barn Dance - March 2017.

Village Day – June 2017.

Neighbourhood Plan – 6-week public consultation.

The final draft of the Plan has now been approved by both Beeston and Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall Parish Councils. In accordance with Regulation 14 of the Localism Bill the Plan will now be published for the Public and Statutory bodies to comment on.

The consultation period will be for 6 weeks from 15 August to 25 September. Copies of the plan may be obtained from Beeston and Tiverton web sites as follows:

Beeston: www.beestonpc.wordpress.com **Tiverton:** www.Tiverton-Cheshire.org.uk

Hard copies are available for inspection at Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall Village Halls and Peckforton Village Room. If you do not have internet you may obtain a copy of the plan from Councillor Cheshire on 01829 732059.

Please send your comments by email to: rchesh7@gmail.com or by post to; R Cheshire, Hill House, Beeston Brook, Tiverton, Cheshire, CW69NH

Council Meetings

We now have a new Clerk to the Parish Council, namely Carol Weaver, who has served as a councillor for Tattenhall and other local councils over many years so I am confident that we will benefit considerably from her extensive experience. Her contact details are as follows:

Mrs C Weaver, 3 Northgate, Utkinton, Tarporley, CW6 0LL.

Tel. 07730 405913, e-mail; carol@weaver2541.freeserve.co.uk

We have agreed provisional forward dates for Parish Council Meetings as follows:

13th September 2016, 8th November 2016, 10th January 2017, 7th March 2017.

At each meeting the Open Forum (Public Participation Session) starts at 7.30 and anyone is welcome to attend - either to raise issues or simply to listen in – these are technically "public meetings". In recent years members of the public have used these open sessions (as well as the occasional letter or e-mail to myself as Chairman) to raise issues of great concern to them, whether planning applications, overgrown footpaths, drainage, potholes, speeding, bus services etc. We can deal with some very local issues ourselves but, as a Parish Council, we do not have the powers to solve all the problems raised. However, we can and do refer the matter or the complainant to the relevant authority, be it our Ward Councillor, Mike Jones, CWaC Planning, Highways, Waste Collection, the police, United Utilities or whatever.

The Parish Council Meeting which follows the open forum is necessarily a more formal affair, following the published agenda. It is technically a not a "public meeting", but a "meeting held in public", at which members of the public are not allowed to speak except by invitation and with the agreement of Council Members. This ensures that the meeting is conducted in line with the Council's standing orders and rules about "declaration of interests" which are binding on all members of the Council, but not on members of the public.

Local Bus Services

Following the initiative of Derek Marshall regarding local bus services we had a recent meeting with John Ellis Jones, which resulted in a welcome overview and up-date on all local bus services. As a result we now have two official bus stops – at the end of Huxley Lane and on Stocks Green.

Service 83 - Nantwich - Bunbury - Tiverton - Chester

This service picks up in the service road at the junction of the A49/Huxley Lane and the Tiverton War Memorial. This service operates just once a week on a Tuesday. Buses leave Tiverton for Chester at 10am and return from Chester at 1:30pm.

Service 56 - Tiverton - Bunbury - Nantwich

This service picks up in the service road at the junction of the A49/Huxley Lane. This service operates on a Thursday and a Saturday. Buses leave Tiverton at 9:30am and 1:45pm. Buses leave Nantwich at 8:50am and 1pm

Service 84 - Chester - Tarporley - Nantwich - Crewe

This service doesn't serve Tiverton, but does pick up at the Red Fox. Only one operator now runs the 84 - Arriva - running an hourly service in each direction. Full timetable details are available online at: arrivabus.co.uk

Tarporley Shuttle Bus:

In addition to the scheduled services there is a Tarporley Shuttle Bus providing community bus services to rural areas around Tarporley, including: Tiverton, Utkinton, Eaton, Rushton, Cotebrook, Little Budworth, Huxley, Tattenhall and Beeston. This service is available to everyone who lives in the above villages and operates Monday to Friday between specified times:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:30am - 2:30pm Wednesday: 9:30am - 2pm

To register and book to use this service please call Transport Commissioning on: 01244 973039 (lines open Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm). Both one off and regular trips can be made, however you must book your transport at least 24 hours in advance. Journeys can be made for almost any purpose: shopping, meeting friends, appointments or to connect with other bus services.

Methodist Chapel

The Chapel has been re-decorated with the help of young offenders and I am told that the results are amazing.

Home Watch – Changes are coming....

Cheshire residential Watch schemes started in 1982. Since then Home Watch Coordinators and Cheshire Constabulary have seen many changes, including the bringing together of schemes across the country under a single network, the Neighbourhood and Home Watch Network (NHWN).

The Home Watch brand and logo are to be slowly phased out and replaced by a single Neighbourhood Watch brand name and logo during 2016. Cheshire Constabulary has given careful consideration to how they can support schemes in the future and the single brand and logo will make the movement stronger and more sustainable.

The transition process involves setting up a Cheshire Neighbourhood Watch Association (CNWA). The Association will hold the authority to license Cheshire Constabulary and other appropriate agencies to use the brand. It will also seek the views of Coordinators so they can represent Cheshire at national Neighbourhood Watch Network (NWN) meetings.

What does this mean to the residents of Tiverton? Well in the short term not a lot, since the nature of the organisation will be fundamentally the same.

If you would like to know more or would like to have greater involvement in your local Neighbourhood Watch scheme, please contact: Ray Mould, Home Watch Area Co-ordinator, email: homewatch@tiverton-cheshire.org.uk

Local Security – Operation Shield

Your Parish Council is monitoring the results of the early launch of "Operation Shield" by the police in selected neighbouring parishes so we can decide if it would be appropriate and affordable for Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall. The scheme involves "indelible, invisible DNA marking" of valuable household items, including IT equipment and garden machinery as well as personal valuables so that, in the event of their being lost or stolen, they can be easily traced back to their owners by the police. The police's objective is for the scheme to be adopted throughout Cheshire to maximise its effectiveness as a deterrent.

De-fibrillator

This has now been installed outside the Village Hall and training in how to use it will be announced shortly. Information on how to access it will be disseminated as widely as possible to maximise the benefit to the community.