# **Dates for your Diary**

| Thurs   | Tarporley and Bunbury Local History Society, Summer Visit          |
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| 28 June | details from 771400  |
| Thurs   | Drop-In Coffee Morning 10:30 to 12am Tiverton Village Hall,        |
| 30 June | all welcome for a chat and cup of coffee.                          |
| Tues    | Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm,Tiverton Village Hall                |
| 26 July | (the agenda is published on the noticeboard by the telephone box)  |
| Tues    | Garden Club, Tiverton Village Hall 8pm BUTTERFLIES IN THE GAR-     |
| 5 July  | DEN Mr George Martin   |
|         | Followed by strawberries & cream, shortbread & wine Entrance £2.50 |

If you want your event listed here, email to info@tiverton-cheshire.org.uk

## Chairman's Report continued

Regarding "normal business" your Council has progressed plans for funding the overdue refurbishment of the War Memorial, held back on committing expenditure on the long-planned village sign, given the challenging financial climate, persuaded CWaC to recognise the hamlets of Beeston Brook and Brassey Green with appropriate signage, supported the enhanced re-cycling initiatives of CWaC and, once again, monitored traffic speeds through the village and lobbied for reduced speed limits.

We look forward to serving parishioners in 2011-12, assisted by some new Council members. We welcome the views of local residents either at the public sessions before each Council Meeting or through personal contact with individual Councillors.

Finally, I must pay tribute to our Parish Clerk, Phil Sanders, who is leaving us at the end of May and who has served your council with devotion and distinction over the past years. We wish him well in his new career.

Gordon Ibbotson, Chairman

# TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL PARISH NEWS

**June 2011** 

#### **Chairman's Letter and Annual Report**

This year has seen the impact of new Cheshire West and Chester policies as they affect the Parish, notably the replacement of the grant-supported street orderly arrangement by a centralised CWaC street cleaning service. Our thanks go to Harold Withe who has kept the parish clean and tidy these many years, but whose services are no longer financially supported by the new Authority. There have also been extensive consultations by CWaC on various rural planning matters, which will affect our future.

We await the Localism Bill which promises more influence over local planning matters by your Parish Council in consultation with local residents. I can only stress how important it is for the local community to become involved in the consultation and review process. In light of the Localism developments the Parish Plan is being re-visited and up-dated as a necessary pre-requisite.

Your Parish Council has reviewed a steady stream of planning applications, mainly concerned with understandable and reasonable enhancements to domestic properties. Unfortunately, a disproportionate amount of time has been devoted to the incremental planning applications for 2, Townfield Lane which have flown in the face of residents' wishes and which have also been granted, following appeal, and very much contrary to the wishes of the Parish Council and CWaC.

Your Council presented its views to the Boundaries Committee, which eventually decided to create the new ward of Tattenhall, to include Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall, as well as our close neighbours Beeston, and to which Councillor Mike Jones has just been elected. We thank Cllr. Jones for his frequent attendance at Parish Council meetings and his continuing efforts on behalf of parish residents.

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# A gentle reminder regarding hedge cutting

Defra tells us 'You should avoid trimming hedgerows between I March and 31 July (as required by the guidelines) – the main nesting season for birds'.

It is also an offence under the Wildlife and Countryside Act of 1981 to 'to intentionally take, damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird while it is in use or being built. It will be an intentional act, for example, if you or your neighbour know there is an active nest in the hedge and still cut the hedge, damaging or destroying the nest in the process.'

(This information was requested by a local resident)

## **Local Library Services**

**Mobile Library**: Tiverton Village Green on alternate Mondays at 12:15-12:40pm, next 4 July, then 18 July, I Aug.

Tarporley (at the back of the High School)

Mon 2 - 7pm Weds 2 - 5pm

Fri 9:30am - 12:30pm

Tattenhall (next to the Primary School)

Tues 2 - 7pm

Fri 2 - 5pm

Book renewals can be made online or at 0845 148 0148

(This information was requested by a local resident)

#### **Contributions/Letters**

Contributions for the next edition should be addressed to info@tiverton-cheshire.org.uk or on paper to any parish councillor by the middle of Aug 2011

## **Royal Wedding Celebration**

There was good turn out of over 60 villagers at the Village Hall event following the televised ceremony. A great afternoon culminated in the cutting of a "second" wedding cake and a loyal toast to the happy couple.

Pictures of the event are available on the parish website.

Our thanks go to the hard working volunteers who organised the event with the financial support of the Village Society.

#### Homewatch

Burglaries are more likely in the summer months compared to the winter; the police advise locking doors when the house is unoccupied or at night. Surpsingly, many rural residents don't feel it is necessary to lock their doors in such peaceful areas.

There is a very successful internet scam that has caught a few local people. A phone call informs you that your PC is running slow or Microsoft has noticed updates are needed, and asks you to install some software to help correct the problem. This software allows them to take control of your PC and they will then report faults on your PC for which there is a solution that they can provide once you have paid by credit card. Assuming you rumble the scam before handing over credit card details, there is every possibility that a Trojan has been inserted whilst they had control of your PC, and from then on every keystroke you make can be sent back to the scammers.

You will not be aware of this and it is very difficult for a professional to determine whether you have had such a Trojan installed. The only certain solution is a rebuild of your PC at some considerable cost. Be warned, do not let anyone you do not know take control of your PC for whatever reason - it can be extremely damaging to your wallet!

We are appealing again for a Homewatch 'Champion' to come forward to take over the sterling work that Roger Blake has carried out on behalf of the community over the past many years. Roger gave up the position at the end of May and technically those residents taking advantage of discounted insurance policies based on a home watch scheme should now inform their insurance companies that the scheme has lapsed ... unless a volunteer comes forward very soon.