Dates for your Diary

Thurs	Drop-In Coffee Morning 10:30 to 12am Tiverton Village Hall,
25 Nov	all welcome for a chat and cup of coffee.
Tues	Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm, Tiverton Village Hall
16 Nov	(the agenda is published on the noticeboard by the telephone box)
Tues 7 Dec	Garden Club, Tiverton Village Hall 8pm: "WONDERS OF THE WILD WEST" Followed by seasonal refreshments & wine Entrance £2.50.
Wed 15 Dec	Carol Service at Tiverton Methodist Chapel at 7pm followed by refreshments.

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

Chairman's Letter continued

I have also been asked to inform residents about CWaC's two newly-opened "Independent Living Centres", at Hartford and Ellesmere Port. They offer a wide range of services, advice and equipment to support elderly or disabled people who need help to live independently. The centres are intended for use by individuals, carers or other care professionals. Ring 01606 881980 or 0151 3376399 for help or for more information. A fact sheet can be found on the parish notice boards.

Your Parish Council is being consulted on a regular basis by Cheshire West and Chester Council about local requirements for housing, transport, education, employment and services generally. If you have views on any of these or other issues please tell us what they are so we can feed them into the short-term budgeting and long-range planning activities of the county authorities. We will then do our utmost to make sure that your local priorities and concerns are acted upon.

Gordon Ibbotson, Chairman

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 Jan 2011

TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL PARISH NEWS

Nov 2010

Chairman's Letter

At the Parish Council Meeting on 14th September a number of recent issues were reported on. Cheshire West and Chester Council are to survey Huxley Lane in May 2011 to establish whether re-surfacing should be carried out in 2012/3. The recent monitoring of traffic through the village revealed that 21% of motorists exceed the speed limit on Huxley lane and 16% on the A49, which is very similar to the results from 2008. Unfortunately this may not be seen as a severe enough problem by the authorities and 20mph limits are only introduced in heavily-built-up residential areas. For a number of projects, like the village sign and restoration of the War Memorial, your Council is seeking grants to minimise the use of parish funds.

I have received notice of a new "Shuttle Flexible Bus Service", serving all the rural areas surrounding Tarporley. To make use of the service you will need first to register as a "service user", then you can book transport to suit your requirements by giving at least 24 hours notice. The service operates every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday between 9.15 and 14.30. It seems that there are fixed fares, irrespective of the distance travelled; adults £2.60 single and £4.50 return, with half price for children. Bus pass holders also travel for half price before 9.30 am but free after 9.30 am. Ring 01244 973039, between the hours of 8am and 4pm. Details can be found on the parish notice boards.

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United Utilities Hose Pipe Ban lifted

Some of you may not know that this ban was lifted in the NW on 19 Aug. There was far more publicity about the ban coming into force than being rescinded! Gardeners can relax, although there is an ongoing need to conserve water supplies.

Broadband, BT and The Race to Infinity

We all know how pervasive and important internet access has become over the past decade. Technology never stands still and promises ever higher internet speeds for the well connected.

The headlines at www.racetoinfinity.bt.com are: "BT is investing in the future of our internet by rolling out next-generation fibre optic broadband. Join The Race to Infinity today and your area could be next to enjoy superfast speeds."

One condition is that the exchange must have more than 1000 subscribers - not so fortunate for the Huxley exchange with 515 subscribers, but the Tarporley exchange, which serves Tiverton, hand-somely exceeds this threshold.

Those of you struggling with speeds not much above 2000kbps (the Tiverton average) and interested in HD TV or films via broadband should be interested in pushing for the fibre alternative. Whilst many will think films and TV are a minority interest, the overwhelming trend is to deliver an increasing content in most facets of life via the internet (for instance mandatory on-line tax returns for private persons are not far off). Higher speeds will always be desirable initially and then essential to manage our lives - think about the change from dialup speeds (50kbps) to broadband and what a difference that made.

At last count, only 37 out of 2003 had voted, hardly enough to make BT take notice of our area!

The Rural Agenda and Market Towns Team at Cheshire West and Chester Council are encouraging rural communities to vote for fibre broadband.

It's simple to vote and costs nothing - and may just result in an improved broadband service for Tiverton in the long term. So why not vote now at www.racetoinfinity.bt.com?

Homewatch

Home Security Scam

Beware of telephone sales calls offering alarm systems.

NB Free advice about Home Security can be obtained from Cheshire Police Crime Reduction Advisors on 0845 458 0000.

Should you wish to reduce the number of unwanted calls you receive, you should register with the Telephone Preference Service on 0800 398 893 or at www.tpsonline.org.uk - This is a Free Service.

Cold calls by bogus people from Utility Companies

Residents are reminded to check for identification when someone calls at their door. There have been reports of people posing as water board officials and also workmen distracting residents by calling at their door while an accomplice enters the house and steals valuables.

Reminder about Bus Services for Tiverton

Chester Service 83 Tuesdays only

Bulkeley – Tiverton War Memorial – Chester

From Tiverton 10:00am to Chester Foregate St 10:30am

Return Chester Foregate Stand H 13:30pm Tiverton 14:00pm

Winsford Service C88 Mondays only
Tiverton Smithy Green – Winsford High St Library
From Tiverton 09:40am to Winsford 10:25am

Return Winsford High St Library 13:00pm Tiverton 13:38pm

Nantwich Service 56 Thursdays and Saturdays

Tiverton jn A49 and Huxley Lane – Nantwich Bus Station Stand E

From Tiverton Smithy Green 09:30am Nantwich 10:00am

Return Nantwich Bus Station Stand E 13:00pm Tiverton 13:35pm