

# NEWSLETTER

Forty seventh edition of the Newsletter for: Pleasley, Pleasley Vale New Houghton and Stony Houghton.

**Welcome to yet another year**. How time flies. Pleasley Parish Council wishes all our community a belated Happy New Year.

Looking back over the last two months since our last newsletter, it has been reported that there are still some areas not receiving the newsletter, it has been suggested that we send the newsletter to some of these areas by email, that may well suit some people but not every one has a computer, so if you know anywhere that does not receive the newsletter please let a parish councillor know and we will try and rectify this problem. Reasons could also be, gates preventing access, dogs on property, locality off the beaten track, delivery not feasible.

**Dog walkers** are not being very observant on watching where their dogs poo, on the recreation ground on Terrace Lane,

Possible action to deal with this inconsiderate behaviour is both potentially costly and inconvenient to others. For example, but very expensive, to install a covert camera that activates both day and night and impose a heavy fine on the culprits.

We could follow the rule we used to have years ago that was to lock the park from being accessed after a certain time in the winter months. However, this would mean installing a gate at the top end of the ground, and a fence on the north side to prevent any access from that direction! Again an expensive option.

It was pointed out that a gate and fence would prohibit walkers from the bridleway adjoining the recreation ground who wish to gain access to Terrace Lane. This is not a significant issue as there is no definitive footpath from the bridle path to Terrace Lane across the recreation ground. The entrance is on Newboundmill Lane. One other problem with this suggestion is that there is no one to lock and open the gate.

Another option, being really drastic, is that dogs could be banned altogether.

Please use the dog bags provided. The first person to be caught not picking up after a dog will be heavily fined. A Fixed Penalty Notice has already been issued to a person who failed to clear up their dog's mess at the country park.

#### A CHAMPION YEAR AT ANTHONY BEK

Congratulations to Anthony Bek School which has become the Champion School for sport for 2016.

The school 's Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics team was also crowned Derbyshire Schools Junior Team of the Year.

The awards were presented at the Bolsover District Council Chambers on Friday October 14th.



There was further success when end of year test results showed that attainment levels across all year groups, matched or exceeded the national average in all cases. Progress measures showed that the children in school made more progress in all subjects than pupils in similar schools nationally. This is wonderful news and is testament to the hard work by all! Well done.

You can see more about the school at www.anthonybek.com

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The Christmas tree festival at St Michael's church proved to be a huge success with a record amount of 50 trees.

The Christmas Fayre on Saturday 26th November in the New Houghton Community Centre, was not such a success as previous years. A change of venue might be considered for next year.

Many of you may have recently seen the programme on TV Tutankhamun without realizing the connection this has with the neighbouring village of TEVERSAL

TUTANKHAMUN was the Egyptian boy king.

You can see this image of the boy king as you enter Teversal Village on the left from the Tibshelf Road near the Carnaryon Arms Public House.

Lord Carnarvon was the patron and did pay for expedition led by Howard Carter from Norfolk who was to discover the Pharaoh's tomb. It was quite interesting because it is a true story.

The Carnarvon's through marriage owned Teversal village hence the names Carnarvon Arms and Carnarvon Street, not that the Carnarvons owned any land in Teversal initially. Lord Carnarvon was born at Highclere Castle in Hampshire (which was made famous as Downton Abbey). He inherited Teversal from his mother Lady Evelyn Stanhope the first wife the previous 4th Earl of Carnarvon. She was the daughter of George Stanhope 6<sup>th</sup> Earl of Chesterfield.

The school playing field where the local school in Teversal village had its sports days etc was donated to Teversal Village School by Lady Carnarvon.

Lord Carnarvon died at Portman Square, London, in June 1890, aged 59. His second wife survived him by almost forty years and died in February 1929, aged 72.

#### Falling Leaves. Leaf Legalities

While property owners can be held responsible for damage to a neighbour's property that results from failing to attend to a tree that poses a threat to nearby residents or their property, falling leaves don't fall into that category. Under the law, falling leaves are considered a natural product of trees and not something for which the owner of the tree can be held liable. Homeowners, whether they own the tree or simply live next to it, are responsible for the clean up of natural debris that enters their yard, no matter the source.

The Parish Council is to install two more doggy bag dispensers, one on New Houghton recreation ground and the other at the top of Terrace Lane Pleasley.

#### Cemetery

It has been reported that branches of trees in the St Michael's closed church yard pose a threat to doing damage to the graves and headstones in our cemetery. One has already dropped across a grave, although no damage was done. This caused distress to the family concerned. It is being addressed by Bolsover District Council who have an officer in charge of closed church vards.

With the diminishing supply of water being delivered to our cemetery by natural methods, which has been the only supply since 1946 when the cemetery was first opened, an alternative method has been agreed upon. An application has been made to Severn Trent to install a mains supply to a tap in the cemetery. This will prove to be a well worthwhile project for the benefit of all who visit the cemetery with flowers

The Parish Council is getting estimates for installing a loop system for the hard of hearing in The Verney Institute. This is proving to be a problem, as there were some contradictions and inconsistencies in the recommended installation method and equipment requirements from the quotes. However it was resolved that a specialist installer be approached for expert advice which would best meet the council's needs and be respectful to the heritage and appearance of the building.

The Intruder alarm system has been upgraded in the Community Centre New Houghton and new window blinds have been fitted.

GPO has informed the parish council they will be removing the two telephone kiosks in the parish.

There was no police representative at the December council meeting but crime statistics were available from the police website which were:

Anti-Social Behaviour 20. Burglary 1. Criminal damage and arson, 3. Other Theft 2. Vehicle crime 1. Violence and sexual offences 2.

**Bolsover District Council** has approved plans for a new Lidl store in Shirebrook that will create 40 new jobs for local people and 122 car park spaces and provide a much needed boost for the town and will transform the land on Portland Rd. It is anticipated that this may also include a proposal to provide transport to help villagers shop in Shirebrook.

## LIVE AT THE VERNEY



The first Live and Local concert of the new season saw a packed audience with the highly talented Remi Harris Project. The trio of two guitars and double bass had the audience entranced by the dexterity of Remi as he moved between his seven guitars, changing the sound as he moved from one musical genre to another. Well known tunes such as The Beatles' number "Can't Buy me Love" were given the Remi makeover as did Peter Green's "Need Your Love So Bad"

Remi didn't just play his guitar, he fused with it so he became an intrinsic part of what he was playing.

His flying fingers made his guitars "talk" so that all were aware that they were in the company of a master.

At the interval one audience member, in a classic piece of understatement, said "He's not half bad is he?"

The evening went all too quickly but it was a privilege to be in the company of truly dedicated musicians.

Thanks are due to all those who helped with the arrangements for the evening, to the funding bodies who support Live and Local and to Live and Local and The Nag's Head who donated raffle prizes.



## COMING SOON



#### SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11th 8pm at The Verney Institute

Oliver Wilson-Dickson (fiddle & voice), Dylan Fowler (guitar) and Jamie Smith (accordion) are Alaw.

Alaw unites the talents of these three exceptional musicians whose subtle interplay is a joy to watch. Drawing on a wealth of experience they take their audiences on a musical journey - a tune brought back from a tour in Bulgaria or collaboration in India - but at the heart of their set is a passion for the old tunes of Wales. From sublime slow airs to dazzling dance tunes and storming songs, Alaw promises a performance of joyful and life affirming music.



Oli and Jamie are well known throughout the folk world as the frontline of Jamie Smith's Mabon. Dylan is a soloist and recording artist with an international reputation.

Tickets for this event are on sale now, price £10 from 01623 810035 or 07734 274848









The question of installing two defibrillators in the parish is still ongoing. The potential cost and installation and possible funding are being investigated further.

The installation of CCTV in various locations in the parish was on the



agenda. There are a number of key issues that must be considered before this can materialise. Mainly planning permission, Data Protection issues, and the council must consider what benefit they hope to achieve.

There have been several complaints about traffic parking at the junction near Pleasley Cross. Cllr Howard Wright contacted Derbyshire County Council, Bolsover District Council, and the police over this matter. He received a reply from Traffic and Safety Service Bolsover District, Chesterfield Borough & North East Derbyshire (Part) Economy, Transport and Environment, Derbyshire County Council, County Hall, Matlock, Derbyshire, DE4 3AG, which is shown below:

However it was pointed out that if anyone is affected by this nuisance parking they should contact the police and Bolsover Council.

"In respect of the Car Sales Garage on the corner of Chesterfield Road and Newboundmill Lane it is an issue which has been raised in the past with the County Council as far back as 2012, although it may well have had different owners in this period of time. If they are parking their vehicles within the extents of the public highway and do so in a manner which results in two or more being placed for sale not more than 500m apart, then they are contravening part of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, with regard to the section on Nuisance Parking and Abandon Vehicles section.

The responsibility of enforcement rests with a District Council if it chooses to act upon these powers.

Aside from this element of enforcement the other issue is in placing their vehicles outside the curtilage of their site may contravene the planning conditions relating to their approval, this will apply to potentially to all the businesses here, again this is an issue for Bolsover District Council Planning to consider.

It is worth at this point also noting that if any of these businesses are carrying out any maintenance works to vehicles outside the curtilage of their premises then again elements of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 comes into effect.

I recall that we discussed in brief the element of your request pertaining to waiting restrictions for Chesterfield Road and I assume around the junction with Newboundmill Lane.

From a safety perspective I have a difficulty in justifying such measures as double yellow lines in this location, with their being only one slight recorded personal injury collision in the last three years at this location, which whilst regrettable involved two vehicles involved in an impact as a consequence of a poor turning manoeuvre at the above junction.

The area around the bend on Chesterfield Road near the Nag's Head Public House which I think you made reference to is protected in the majority by the double white line system around the corner, which makes it an offence for a vehicle to park at the road side as they are subject through Police enforcement to a fixed penalty charge and 3 penalty points on their licence.

The number of dropped kerbs (vehicle access points) and the road layout i.e. road junctions makes the space available for parking significantly limited and therefore I can see little merit in promoting waiting restrictions."

From reading this reply it is understood that working and selling vehicles outside premises violates the Environmental Act 2005 and the District Council should be aware.



**USE IT OR LOSE IT.** 

Your Mobile Library visits Pleasley every four weeks, on Newboundmill Lane nr The Verney at 1-45 Tuesday 17th January, Tuesday 14th February, Tuesday 14th March. Take advantage of free reading.

#### HOME ASSIST.

Derbyshire Handy Van service is helping to make it safer for older and vulnerable people to live in their own homes.

A fleet of eight vans and a dedicated team of staff is ready to take your call.

The Derbyshire Handy Van Service provides practical support to help **older and vulnerable** people to live independently in their own homes.

You can phone and ask for a free visit to your home by the service for the following: home fire safety checks, smoke alarms provision and installation, energy efficiency advice,

#### falls prevention advice,

practical DIY tasks, for example: changing light bulbs, securing carpets and rugs, removing and hanging curtains, path and door access clearance, other tasks, as appropriate.

The service also installs community alarms and <u>Telecare</u>. For more information about Telecare and community alarms, please contact Call Derbyshire, tel: 01629 533190.

The service will also, with your permission, make referrals to our partners for additional services that may help you to live independently.

Who it's available to and how to access it.
The service is available to people aged 60 and over or if you are referred by our adult care department, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service, your district or borough council, Derbyshire Police or a health professional.

Each eligible household can access this free service twice a year. Please note, some materials may need to be purchased by the occupier. The service is available Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm.

This service doesn't offer an emergency service for plumbing or electrical problems.

For more information or to arrange for a visit, please call the Handy Van tel: 0203 535 4999. Calls are charged at a local rate.

If they can't help, then we have a list of <u>Trusted</u> <u>Traders</u> who may provide the service that you need.

#### Charge for the Handy Van Service.

There is no charge for a Handy Van Service visit. If you are a Derbyshire resident who is aged 60 or over or are referred into the service then the service is free to access up to twice in a rolling 12 month period.

However, you'll need to purchase any materials required for any small repairs or DIY tasks.

#### **Another Help Line is Telecare**

**Telecare** helps to manage some of the risks associated with independent living. Alerts are automatically generated when there's a problem. An appropriate response ensures that a minor problem is prevented from turning into a crisis.

**Telecare** can help if you're worried about: feeling safe at home, the consequences of falling, becoming forgetful.

The Telecare service provides peace of mind for users and their carers and is able to provide assistance whenever required 24 hours a day. The service consists of four main parts:

- Sensors that generate an alert when there's a problem.
- A lifeline that receives the alert and automatically dials for help.
- A response centre that receives the call.
- An appropriate response to help assist with the problem.

There is a range of difference Telecare sensors to meet different needs, for example to alert when you have fallen or when smoke or gas is detected. More details will be given by your provider.

#### What will Telecare involve?

To access the Telecare service you'll need a telephone line and a nearby mains socket for the Lifeline unit. Most sensors are wireless and battery powered and will be provided and installed for you.

#### How does Telecare work?

When a sensor detects a problem, for example a fall, it sends a signal to the Lifeline unit. This unit automatically dials the response centre.

The specially trained staff can speak to the user via the speaker on the Lifeline and arrange appropriate assistance.

This may involve calling a carer, a mobile warden or the emergency services.

#### What happens next?

If you're willing to have the Telecare service and your care provider thinks you're eligible they'll discuss this with colleagues and a decision will be made.

You'll receive a letter telling you the results of this and any financial contribution you'll need to make January 27<sup>th</sup> means very little to some people today. It is Holocaust Memorial Day a day especially the Jewish people will remember well, it commemorates the genocide of Jews by the Hitler regime, to exterminate all the Jews in Germany, one may think that this barbaric action was a one off event and is a thing of the past but it happened before and still happens today, Armenia 1915, The Holocaust started in Germany in 1933, Cambodia 1975, Rwanda 1990, Bosnia 1991. Dafur 2003. Apart from paying homage to the fallen of the wars on Remembrance day in November we should remember and pay homage to those who suffered through genocide. Pray for them on Holocaust Memorial Day on January 27th.

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KNOW YOUR 10 PARISH COUNCILLORS

and contact details.

Names are printed in every newsletter. Just to make things clear here is the locality requested alphabetically.

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Bolsover District Council has booked the Community Centre in New Houghton and the Verney Institute in Pleasley for the forthcoming District Council Elections on the 4th May.

January 2017

### **COMPETITION TIME**

THIS WORDSEARCH IS: 12 of the

**Lord's Disciples** 

and two reserves. Some used two names.

16 names in all

Tel No .....

Address.....

Closing date 1st March

Post entries in Verney Institute post box or 59 Newboundmill Lane or any councillor.

THOMAS ANDREW SIMON MATTHEW BARTHOLOMEW NATHANAEL MATTHIAST PETER PHILIP JOHN JUDAS JUDE JAMES THADDEUS JOSEPH

The winner of October's wordsearch was J Cook, Crookes Ave Pleasley who received a £10 Garden voucher purchased from Glapwell Nurseries presented by Cllr H Wright on behalf of Pleasley Parish Council.

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