

Eccleston Parish Council Newsletter

December 2016

COUNCILLORS

| Chairman | Tel |
|--|--------------|
| Kate Brown | 07739 653558 |
| Vice Chairman | |
| Bill Mason | 452061 |
| Les Armstrong | 453314 |
| Diane Bonney | 450945 |
| Henry Counce | 07810 503446 |
| Valerie Counce | 453765 |
| Mark Frost | 450727 |
| email frostmgbe@btinternet.com | |
| Craig Mayor | 451404 |
| Mike Miller | 07903 614291 |
| Howard Thomas | 453202 |
| Alan Whittaker | 453456 |
| email alanwhittaker1@sky.com | |

Alan Platt (Clerk to the Council)
can be contacted at:

9 Ambleside Avenue
Euxton
Chorley PR7 6NX

Tel: 01257 234003

e-mail:
ecclestonpc@btinternet.com

website:
www.ecclestonparishcouncil.org.uk

twitter
[@ecclestonpc](https://twitter.com/ecclestonpc)

Parish Council Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month in The Changing Rooms, Drapers Avenue, commencing at 7.30pm. All residents are welcome to attend.

A part of each meeting is set aside specifically for residents to let the Council know their views on local issues - come along and have your say!

LCC Buildings

We're still awaiting a decision from Lancashire County Council on our application to take over the running of the Young People's Centre building which we hope retain as a community facility for use by local groups and organisations.

We're also hoping to keep the youth club operating, run on a volunteer basis, and, to help with this, we would repeat our appeal from the September newsletter for anyone interested in volunteering to assist with the youth club to please contact any of the Councillors or the Clerk (details to the left). Following our previous article two residents very kindly put their names forward to help and more would be very welcome.

Thanks to funding provided by Chorley Council, Eccleston Library will remain open until at least March 2018. This arrangement will prevent any immediate impact on services and is designed to allow additional time to consider the options available in attempting to retain this valuable local service.

Events

Our two most recent offerings were well attended by local residents and we received some very positive feedback on both.

Around 50 people attended the Tim Chu and Pete J Frampton concert at St Agnes Church Hall in October for an evening of classic blues, country and rock music.

A 'reet' good time was had by 70+ residents at our Lancashire Night, at Bateman Hall on 26 November with songs, humour and dialect poems performed by Sid Calderbank and Mark Dowding, ably assisted by Joy Hunter and the local clog dancing troupe led by Alex Fisher. The Hotpot received rave reviews.

The next event the Committee is working on is an evening of live acoustic guitar and voice with Chris Bannister in February 2017. An evening with Chris is an evening of rare quality. Whether it is showcasing the exceptional talent of this singer-songwriter with his self-penned collection of songs, his covers of much-loved classics or undiscovered folk songs or his simply stunning tribute to the music of John Denver, it is easy to see how he has gained an international reputation which has delighted fans for over two decades.

Further details will be provided nearer the time.

Carol Singing

Come along and join members of the Parish Council at the Carol Concert around the Christmas tree on the Village Green, with musical accompaniment provided by Eccleston Brass Band, on Tuesday 13 December between 6.30pm and 7.15pm.

We issue our usual plea, due to the lack of available parking in the vicinity, for residents to, wherever possible, not come in cars.



Eccleston Parish Council wishes all
residents a very Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year



ClearCare

Choice • Support • Wellbeing

Contact us to see how we can help you

01704 823 462

We are an experienced, understanding, friendly provider of care services for older people and other adults

- Offering flexible, responsive, personalised care.
- Supporting you in everyday living, personal care, health and wellbeing.
- Helping you to get the best out of life, through companionship for interests and hobbies.
- Providing re-assurance for you and your family.
- Supporting people with dementia or long term conditions.
- We are reliable, friendly and compassionate.

4 City Studios, Hall Lane, Mawdesley, L40 2QY
e-mail: info@clearcareltd.co.uk

Visit our website:

www.clearcareltd.co.uk

We are regulated by the Care Quality Commission

Chairman's Report

I am proud to say that this season has seen a strong array of activities and events in the village, with several still to come!

To those residents who recently enjoyed Lancashire Night, at Bateman Hall, and to the Councillors who were involved in arranging the evening, I'd like to extend thanks on behalf of the Council. From Tatler's tales, through to Clog dancing and a Hotpot supper, a great evening was enjoyed by all who attended. Thank you also to Tim Chu for delivering another well received performance in October. The Village Activities Committee, who helped arrange these evenings, have been working on more ideas for activities for the coming 12 months and we look forward to seeing many more residents attending and enjoying these events.

Councillors attended this year's Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church, where a wreath was laid on behalf of the Parish Council. The ceramic poppies that had been previously purchased by the Parish Council were on display during the service, and served as a visual reminder of Ecclestone lives lost in the Great War. The laying of the poppies at the War Memorial by children from our two primary schools was a very moving experience.

The Carol Concert will take place on the Village Green on Tuesday 13th December, starting at 6:30pm, with music provided by members of Ecclestone Brass Band - please do join us for some early Christmas cheer.

At our Parish Church, St Mary's, residents are invited to attend the Christmas Tree Festival, Saturday 17th December - 10:00 - 4:00 and Sunday 18th December 1:00 - 4:00 (including Journey to the Stable at 3.00). £3 for adults and free for children, with refreshments and lunches available. Carols by Candlelight will also take place on the evening of Sunday 18th from 6.30pm.

In November, Gareth Thomas stepped down as a councillor and I would like to take the opportunity to thank Gareth for his contribution to council business.

Finally, on behalf of all the members of the Parish Council I would like to wish a very happy Christmas to all of our residents.

Kate Brown

Recycling Advice

With the vast amounts of packaging etc associated with the Christmas and New Year festivities we'd like to remind residents of the items which can and can't be recycled by Chorley Council.

Incorrect items in your recycling could result in either your recycling not being collected or, in the worst possible scenario, contaminate a whole collection, resulting in the entire load going for disposal instead of recycling!

Please remember to always rinse food cans, plastic milk bottles etc.

Yes please

Glass bottles and jars (wine, beer and sauce bottles, jam jars)

Plastic bottles (milk, pop and water bottles, shampoo and cleaning product bottles)

Cans (drinks and clean food cans, aerosol cans, clean foil food trays and kitchen foil)

All types of **paper** (including envelopes and phone directories)

All types of **cardboard** (clean pizza boxes only)

Garden waste (grass cuttings, leaves, twigs, weeds, dead plants, fallen fruit, cut flowers and rabbit and guinea pig bedding)

No thanks

Mirrors or glazing

Plastic bags, plastic tubs (yoghurt, butter, ice cream cartons), food trays, plastic toys, polystyrene

Paint tins, crisp packets

Polystyrene/plastic wrapping

Cardboard with food residual, juice cartons

Soil and turf, stones and rubble, treated wood, household or garden chemicals, domestic waste

NO REFERRAL NEEDED - NO WAITING LIST - SATURDAY APPOINTMENTS

Elevate

PHYSIOTHERAPY
& SPORTS INJURY CLINIC

Tel: 01704 330939



Expert Assessment



Back Pain



Sports Injuries



Acupuncture



1 to 1 Pilates & Yoga

Chartered & Registered Specialist Physiotherapists
with Over 10 years NHS & Private Sector Experience



hcpc



Elevate Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic
Goodyear Business Park New Street,
Mawdesley L40 2QP



Flooding Advice

As part of Lancashire County Council's response to last year's flooding an awareness campaign has been launched.

The campaign aims to inform residents of LCC's role during severe weather and seeks to contribute to an increased level of awareness, preparedness and resilience in the event of future floods.

Details are available at:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/flooding

where you will find information, advice and short animations designed to help people prepare for, and deal with, flooding.

Footpath Link

We would like to thank Chorley Council's Ranger Team for the fantastic job they've done building the bridge over the ditch on the Recreation Ground to allow residents of Madison Chase to access the Recreation ground and to provide an alternative route to the Shopping Centre for residents of the 'Castle's' estate. The work also includes a 'chicane' style



Barrier to prevent cyclists coming onto New Mill Street at speed.

Residents of New Mill Street recently attended a Parish Council meeting to advise of incidents of anti social behaviour involving young people, including damage to vehicles and general nuisance. The residents were advised to report all incidents of the nature to the Police (telephone 101) and we would encourage all residents to report any incidents of this nature to the Police.

This also includes any incidents of anti social behaviour on the Millennium Green, where young people are congregating in the evenings.

Walking Football

Parish Councillor, Les Armstrong, is still looking for over 55's who are looking to take part in, what is becoming, a growing sport.

Skill levels are not important as the idea is to encourage participation in some light/moderate exercise.

If you think you might be interested, contact the Clerk for further information (contact details on front page).

Computer Problems? Slow Broadband?

Call Technohow for local, reliable support with all aspects of your home and small business IT needs. Serving Mawdesley and the surrounding villages.

Services include:

- Home pickup and return as standard
- Broadband optimisation (up to 3 mbps speed increase* on your existing service)
- Web design and hosting
- PC tune-ups and repairs at competitive rates
- Virus and Malware removal
- Wireless and wired networking
- Hardware Installation/Upgrades
- Remote and/or on-site support
- Patient tuition
- Video to DVD transfers



*speed increase depends on home phone line set up and router configuration.

Contact Technohow:

Ansaphone: 01704 822874

Mobile: 07777 631689

Email: neil@technohow.co.uk

Website: www.technohow.co.uk

SJM

Driver
Training



DVSA Approved Driving Instructor
Over 32 years in the teaching profession

Very patient instructor

Excellent Pass Rate

Very low fault rate

In-car DVD lesson presenter

NO car sharing

1-1 training at all times

Disclosure Barring Service checked

Not a Franchise -

It is important to know your instructor will not be changed

Maximum Driving Time given -

we learn from doing not from talking

Your Driving Instructor
Sean Murphy BEd (hons), CertEd.ADI
tel: 07850 229780

email: sean@sjmdriving.co.uk

**Safe Driving -
An Investment for Life**

C. Wilson Solicitors

215 The Green Eccleston

Telephone - 01257 451333/453857

Fax 01257 451333

www.cwilsonsolicitors.co.uk

e-mail - enquiries@cwilsonsolicitors.co.uk

CONVEYANCING - Buying/selling a house? Law Society CQS accredited, competitive fees.

LASTING POWERS OF ATTORNEY - Discounts when we do more than one.

WILLS AND PROBATE - Competitive fees and free wills storage.

INJURY COMPENSATION - personal and efficient service - we work hard to get the right result - keep 100 % of your compensation.

C Wilson Solicitors established 2004. Authorised and Regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority.

Registered number 400836

01257 696 050
 E: mark.baker@independentlivinglancashire.co.uk

PROVIDING FREEDOM AT HOME
INDEPENDENT Living

"Are care services available throughout the night?"

Ask Amanda!

Amanda Barlow is the Registered Care Manager for Independent Living who will answer all your questions.

YES! Two types of care are available. A "waking watch" - the carer is alert and available to work throughout the night. This is used when someone is very ill and requires constant attention. A "sleep in" - where the carer sleeps but can be woken up a maximum of three times.

This is ideal if a carer is needed for respite or for a few one-off tasks such as helping a person to the toilet or prompt medication and is cheaper. Both these options can be long or short term.

A legal ruling concluded that carers must be paid at least the minimum wage - even when sleeping - because they are at work. Independent Living complies with the law, we pay our staff above the legal hourly rate so you can be sure with us everything is done properly.

Independent Living also offers a 24/7 emergency call out service, if you need help in the night, for example after a fall, if you feel ill or need to go to hospital a carer can visit to help - even at 2am!

If you want advice, or our leaflet on Overnight Care & 7 till 7
Please call Amanda: 01257 696 050

FREE 4-Hour Trial

Independent Living can provide the best quality bespoke care in people's own homes. We offer a wide range of services that are all tailored to suit individual needs.

We provide services such as:

- Companionship
- Memory Loss/Alzheimer's Support
- Helping with bills/bank & interests
- Housekeeping
- Lending after pain
- Transport & travel
- Assisted transport to appointments
- Personal home care
- Overnight, 24 hour or live in care
- Parkinson's & Stroke support
- Medication prompting
- End of life care

Providing freedom at home

www.independentlivinglancashire.co.uk

There has been a spate of thefts from vehicles within the village, mostly into cars that were not secured. Please make sure all cars are left locked and secure at all times, and especially overnight.



As Christmas approaches it's time for our annual reminder to not leave presents on show, and continue to keep all doors and windows locked, including shed doors. Be aware of the dangers of social media, and what information you post on it. Telling people you have bought expensive presents makes you a potential target, as does informing people when you and your family are out at an event etc. Even be aware that leaving some packaging for the refuse collection can indicate that you have purchased expensive items, such as new TV's.

Could we also ask all parents to make sure that children who use cycles in the dark have lights on them. It is imperative that your child can be seen by other road users, or the consequences could be fatal.

Here at Chorley Police, we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.

PCSO 7932 Maria Fetherstone

Commemorating Local Businesses

Following on from the initial presentation of commemorative plates to local businesses in recognition of the many years of great service to Eccleston residents in February, the Parish Council arranged a further presentation in November for businesses which had been subsequently identified.

The presentation, to those who were able to attend, was made by Parish Council Chairman Kate Brown and was held at Verdes Restaurant on 19 November. Our sincere thanks go, once again, to thank Gabriel for his kind hospitality in hosting the event.

Eccleston Parish Council does not endorse or recommend any of the advertisers contained in this publication.

The 8 inch plates have a Gold band and carry the names and the length of time the businesses have traded. The local businesses receiving the plates are:

- D & W Motors - 45 years
- David J Killen & Co (Insurance Services) - 33 years
- Kevin Stickley, The Cottage Loaf - 27 years
- Andrew Cow, Eccleston Dental Practice - 26 years
- Eccleston Green Filling Station - 26 years
- John Trafford, Eccleston Scaffolding Services - 26 years

We hope we've now identified the local businesses which have traded for a minimum of 20 years however, if you know of any more please pass the details on to the Clerk (contact details on front page).

Useful Telephone Numbers

- Police (non emergency): 101
- Police (Coppull): 01257 246103
- Crimestoppers: 0800 555111
- Chorley Borough Council: 01257 515151
- Report any problems with roads and pavements to Lancashire County Council on 0300 123 6780
- Report vehicles parked on double lines to Lancashire Parking Services on 0800 1952774
- National Grid (gas leaks) 0800 111999
- United Utilities (Water) Leakline 0800 330033

The Centre Venue
St Mary's Church Eccleston

A multi-use base for courses, conferences, socials and parties.
 High spec catering kitchen
 Private alcohol licensing
 Seating for 50 / Buffet 100
 Disability friendly/ Baby changing facilities
 Ample parking

For a viewing, rates and availability
 Contact Nick Coates
 hallbookings@ecclestonstmaryschurch.org

...keeping it simple...making it easy

Home Truths Residential Sales & Lettings

- Local • Knowledgeable • Independent
- Great Value Fees at 0.9% plus VAT
- Equally Good Lettings Service

Call Us NOW and Get On The Move...

01257 794588 Coppull
 01257 451673 Eccleston
 office@hometruthslancs.co.uk
 www.hometruthslancs.co.uk