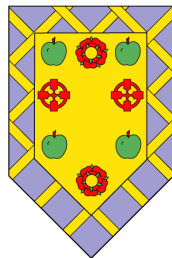


Eccleston Parish Council Newsletter

Summer 2022



Platinum Jubilee



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee will be celebrated with a Big Picnic event on Sunday June 5th 2022 on the Recreation Fields and everyone is invited to attend.

Come along and bring your picnic and enjoy free live entertainment and attractions including bouncy castles, games for our younger residents and various stalls (full details on page 2). Everything starts at 1:00pm.

As parking in the area is limited, we would ask residents not to come in cars unless it's strictly necessary.

Arrangements have been made by the Parish Council's Activities Committee and local volunteers. We would like to offer a special thankyou to local resident Sanda Sherlicker for her tireless efforts.

ECCLESTON JUBILEE PICNIC



To Celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

SUNDAY JUNE 5TH 2022

Time: 1pm – 5pm

Eccleston Recreation Ground, Drapers Avenue

**Children's games and competitions, Music, Bouncy Castle,
Various stalls, e.g. Hook a Duck, Tombola and many more.**

Refreshments available including BBQ – courtesy of the Scouts –

Tea and cakes – courtesy of the WI

Shaved Ice – Candy Floss – Pop Corn.

or bring your own Picnic!

Eccleston Recreational Parks Fund Raising Group.

Eccleston Parish Council



All funds raised to go towards the new play equipment on the Recreation Ground.

Flying High

In the Spring newsletter we were able to announce the addition of the flagpole on the Village Green.

The flagpole allowed us to join many other organisations and local residents in displaying the flag of the Ukraine below our national flags as a show of solidarity with the people of the country and recognise the terrible situation they find themselves in.

Our thoughts remain with the residents of the Ukraine.



Hawthorns Play Area

Following a number of unforeseen delays, we are pleased to announce work has finally started on the replacement of the play area, path and safety surfacing.

Preparation works, including scraping back the path edges and tidying up and planting of the beds surrounding the area have been completed and we have been advised the contractors will begin the replacement of the surfacing and equipment in early June.

This has been a long, drawn out process, not helped by the pandemic, and the Parish Council's Open Spaces Committee will be glad to see the project, which will see the old play equipment and seats replaced and graphics painted onto the tarmac path to encourage games and activities, finally finished.

Other Events

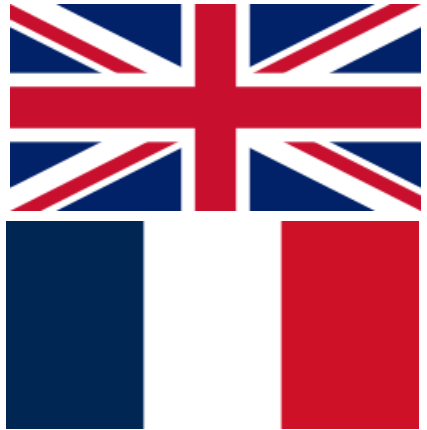
Once the Platinum Jubilee celebration event is over and done with, the Parish Council's Activities Committee will be focusing its attention on other things.

We are hoping to hold a 'back to normal' Lancashire Night on Saturday 26 November, having missed 2020 and having a somewhat restricted event last year due to the unavailability of catering.



This year, barring circumstances beyond our control, we'll be back to the Hotpot dinner and other local delicacies so pencil the date in your diaries and further details will appear in the Autumn newsletter.

Croston/Azay-le-Rideau Twinning Association



Dear Resident

The association was formed some 32 years ago and has enabled many residents from Eccleston, Croston and neighbouring villages to enjoy trips to France, stay with families over there, develop long lasting friendships and, in return, host visiting families to see and enjoy the delights of our Country. The initiative was started at Bishop Rawstorne School and many children took part along with parents who still retain links with the people they met in Azay.

Alas, many of the original people involved are getting older and we are trying to attract newer and younger people and families to join us, hence this article.

If you or your family are interested and would like more information please get in touch with either myself or Jean Fenemore (details below).

If we can attract some new members we will try and hold a social gathering in Croston, when we can give more details and hopefully look forward to some more worthwhile and enjoyable exchanges.

Alan Whittaker (Chair)

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Tel: 01772 600572 email: jean.fenemore@googlemail.com

Bike the UK for MS

In July we're hoping to extend our hospitality, once again, to the riders of the Bike the UK for MS Charity on their fundraising tour of the country.

We'll be offering the use of the shower facilities etc at the Changing Rooms and the riders are staying overnight locally having had to camp out last year due to the pandemic.

The Parish Council is very pleased to support this very worthy cause.



Dial A Ride Community Transport

CENTRAL LANCASHIRE
Dial  A Ride

Your Local Community Transport Service

Despite several appeals, the Central Lancs Dial A Ride Volunteer Community Car Scheme is still

desperately looking for volunteer drivers to help people in our own community who are unable to use public transport, have no regular access to a car nor can afford a taxi on a regular basis.

In Partnership with



Lancashire
Community
Transport

If you can spare a little time, all you need for the car scheme is a car, full UK driver's licence, a DBS Clearance. Any time you can afford to be available would be welcome. You will be reimbursed for your expenses at £0.40 per mile for the Car Scheme.

If you would like to volunteer or require any further information please call Cein Heath on 01257 450191 or Tracy Keating/Samantha Preece on 01257 260488 (0900-13.00 Mon-Fri).

Eccleston Community Hub

Continuing on the subject of volunteers, from the article in the Spring newsletter, we had several residents come forward to join a committee to manage The Community Hub on Drapers Avenue.

Ideally, we do need more volunteers to form the committee so, if you are interested or would like further information please contact the Clerk on 01257 234003 or email to ecclestonpc@btinternet.com

Tree Planting

Lat November, we took delivery of saplings provided free by the Woodland Trust, as part of the Queen's Green Canopy Scheme.

The saplings were intended to contribute to this national scheme to aid the fight to reduce carbon emissions and most were planted on the Millennium Green, with a few being retained to 'grow on' prior to planting.

Sadly, having been planted by our Village Caretaker, Alan Richardson, the saplings attracted the attention of a very small minority of the younger members of our community so the numbers have been greatly reduced from what there should have been.

We will continue to grow on the remaining saplings in the hope these larger plants will prove more successful.



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There are a number of scams doing the rounds in the Chorley area at the moment and residents are urged to be careful.



Council Tax rebate - criminals are contacting residents requesting bank details to send the rebate to. Please be aware Chorley Council will automatically pay the rebate into resident's bank accounts.

Government Energy rebate - similar to the council tax rebate scam. Again bank details are requested.

Energy bills - callers purporting to be from OFGEM saying you can apply for your rebate and a discount on your autumn energy bills. The sole purpose of the call is to try to get your bank account details.

Always remember, councils and genuine companies will **never** ask for your bank details over the phone.

And finally..... a scam to get a digital voice signature from you involving callers asking lots of different questions trying to get you to say the word 'Yes'. They then go on to ask further personal questions. Please do not interact with calls like this, hang up immediately and report the call to your telephone provider and Action Fraud (see below).

Any of the above should be reported to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or www.actionfraud.police.uk/

To find out what's really happening in our area, receive regular crime updates, information on road closures, information about fires and other emergencies and learn about what our local neighbourhood policing team is doing 'In The Know' is the free messaging service brought to you by Lancashire Police supported by Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service and Lancashire County Council where you decide when and how you are kept informed about the issues that matter to you. To sign up, go to

<https://www.lancashire.police.uk/help-advice/in-the-know>

Local Businesses

Would you like to reach around 1900 households in Ecclestone?
Full colour ads in the newsletter cost

£20 (quarter page)

£40 (half page)

£60 (full page)

If you would like to advertise in the newsletter call 01257 234003 or email ecclestonepc@btinternet.com

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Useful Telephone Numbers

Police (non-emergency): 101

Chorley Police Station
01257 264225

Crimestoppers 0800 555111

Chorley Borough Council
01257 515151

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Lancashire County Council
(roads and pavements, including
street lighting): 0300 123 6780
report faults online at
[www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-
parking-and-travel/fault-search](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/fault-search)

National Grid

Gas leaks 0800 111999

Electricity 0800 404090

United Utilities (Water)
Leakline 0800 330033

Environment Agency
Floodline 0345 9881188

Environment incident hotline
0800 80 70 60

Parish Council Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month in The Community Hub, 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!