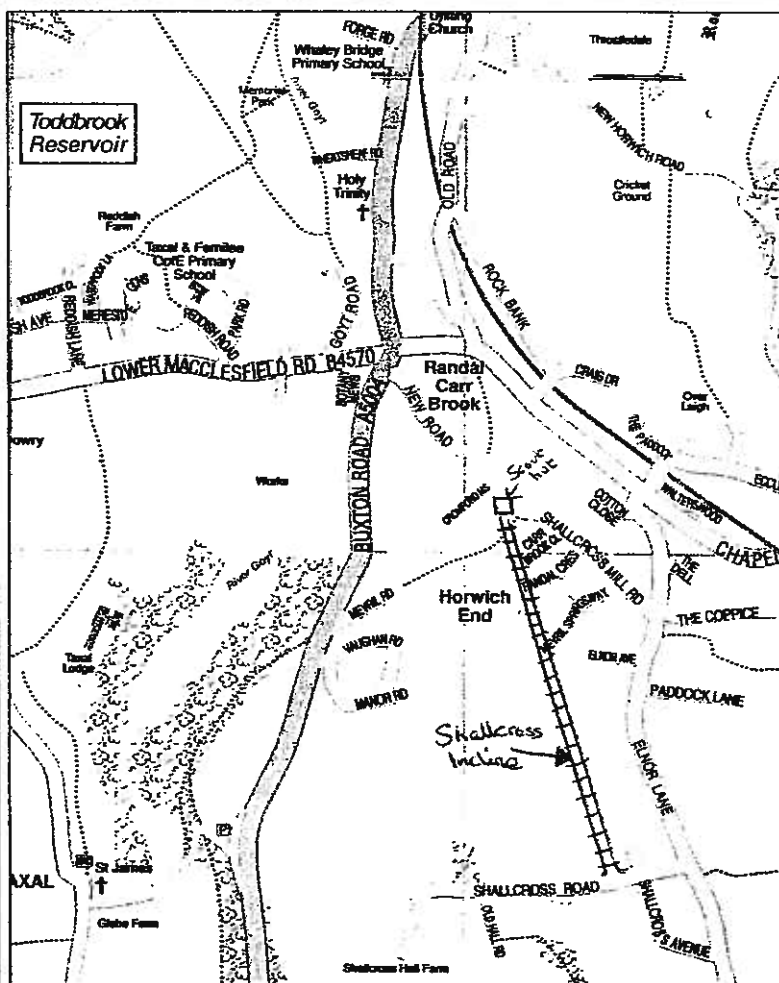


Whaley Bridge Town Council

Community Newsletter
Winter 2009

**Working for Bridgemont, Fernilee, Furness Vale,
Horwich End, Taxal and Whaley Bridge**

Welcome to your local Community Newsletter, produced by Whaley Bridge Town Council to keep you informed about what we are doing. We would welcome any comments, feedback or suggestions for future copies. Large print version available on request.



SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOL

As part of the Greenway Strategy, the Town Council is proposing a further part of the route of the disused Cromford & High Peak Railway be opened up as a public right of way. This section of the railway was known as the Shallescros Incline and connects the Scout Hut on New Road to the top of Elnor Lane. A survey of the route is being undertaken by Derbyshire County Council and a specification for required works will be produced.

Both our local primary schools support this project as it would provide a safe route towards both schools avoiding Elnor Lane which is steep, has no pavements and can be dangerous for pedestrians. It is also supported by our Safer Neighbourhood Team run by Derbyshire Constabulary.

Funding to remove undergrowth, carry out any required surfacing work and repair or renew fencing and walls will be funded by a grant from the Borough Going Local Scheme. We are also applying for funding from Sustrans which is an organisation encouraging walking as a safe and sustainable means of access to schools, and to wider local networks.

ALAN JOHNSON - HONORARY TOWNSMAN

Alan Johnson of Hockerley Lane passed away peacefully at home on 21st December after a long illness. He was 81. Alan was well known for his activities within the community, particularly as a founder member of the Whaley Bridge Amenity Society, a Whaley Bridge Primary School governor from 1954 to 2008 and local magistrate. In recognition of 50 years of public service to Whaley Bridge, he was made an Honorary Townsman in May 2006 and a bench dedicated to Alan is outside the Mechanics Institute.

He was also an active member of the Whaley Bridge Branch of the Labour Party and avid Manchester United supporter.



Winter gritting routes

Derbyshire County Council are responsible for gritting roads in our area, although the work is undertaken by High Peak Borough Council. Please visit www.derbyshire.gov.uk/winterservice for detailed maps showing routes that are currently treated. You will also be able to download and print a leaflet containing useful information and advice for driving in adverse weather conditions.

Gully cleansing schedule

All gullies are cleansed twice a year by High Peak Borough Council with some problem areas receiving an extra visit. If you are concerned about a blocked road drain, please telephone HPBC Call Centre on 0845 129 7777.

Derbyshire Life Magazine

..... is publishing a seven page article about Whaley Bridge which includes some lovely photos, interviews and items of interest in the March 2009 edition.

BROOKFIELD POND NATURE RESERVE

Your Town Council commissioned a major tree survey report in November 2008 identifying 94 trees of varying species. This report gives details about each tree, its age, condition and any remedial work required.



Four trees need urgent work and this will be carried out to British Standards ensuring public safety is paramount.

This means that the diverse wildlife habitat will be well maintained for years to come for everyone to enjoy.

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Dates for your diary..

Farmers' Markets

Farmers' Markets will be held at the Uniting Church, 10am—2pm on the second Saturday of each month.

Saturday Coffee Mornings

A coffee morning is held every Saturday at the Mechanics Institute for fundraising by local organisations.

31st Jan - Goyt Valley Ladies Circle

14th Feb - WB Labour Party

21st Feb - WB Jnr Cricket Club

28th Feb - WB Art Group

7th March - WB Amenity Society

14th March - WB Ladies Guild

28th March - Royal British Legion

4th April - Daniels Light

Town Council Meetings

Meetings are held in the Mechanics Institute on the second Thursday of each month (except August). The meetings start at 7.30pm and members of the public are welcome to attend.

You can speak to councillors and ask questions during the agenda item "Open Forum" which takes place at the start of each meeting.

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The Town Council manages the community website so you can keep in touch with local news and information.

If you have any local news, events or other items to include, then please send them to:

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