

Whaley Bridge Town Council

Community Newsletter
Summer 2005

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.

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Grants and Donations

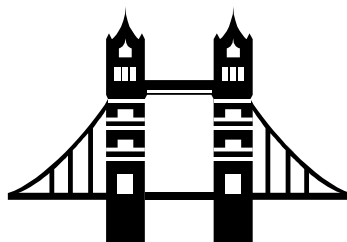
During the financial year 2004-2005 the Town Council gave £3,060 to local organisations to help them provide better services to the community and to carry out local projects. We review applications for grants three times a year.

Annual Report 2004—2005

This year's Annual Report has now been published and copies are available in the library, Mechanics Institute and on our website at www.whaleybridge.com. We have included some of the highlights in this newsletter.

Goyt River Bridge

A full design study has been completed and planning consent obtained. The estimate for the construction of the bridge and associated link roads has been steadily rising and now stands at nearly £1 million.



High Peak Borough Council, working closely with the Town Council and Regeneration Partnership, has submitted a bid to Derby & Derbyshire Economic Partnership and if successful, it would provide 50% of the total cost of the scheme.

Town Project Manager

Whaley Bridge now has a part-time Town Project Manager, Joanne Williams, who will work on regeneration projects highlighted by the town health check carried out in September 2003. The council is contributing £7765 towards the cost of employing the Project Manager over a three year period.

It's official.....we are now a Quality Council

Throughout 2004 the Town Council has been working towards obtaining Quality Status. It has achieved the seven part criteria required and was awarded Quality Status in May 2005. It is the first local council in the High Peak to achieve this status and only the sixth in the whole of Derbyshire. As part of the process, your Town Clerk, Stephanie Raybould has qualified and received the AQA Certificate in Local Council Administration.

Quality Status means that the Town Council is now in a better position to influence the decision making process and take on additional services from the principal local authorities, i.e. High Peak Borough Council and DCC.

The next step will be to form charters with the principal authorities to improve working arrangements and strengthen relationships to support the Town Council's aim of taking a more proactive approach to delivering the services that this community wants and needs.

Income and Expenditure for 04/05

	£	£
Balance at 1st April 2004	12,181	
Plus earmarked reserves	<u>35,000</u>	
		47,181
Plus income:		
Precept and Parish Grant	48,000	
Bank interest	1,334	
Sports Association	5,302	
Allotments	100	
Mechanics Institute	1,500	
Administration	<u>3,448</u>	
	59,684	<u>59,684</u>
		106,865
Less expenditure:		
Administration	41,457	
Grants and donations	3,060	
Capital expenditure	84	
Mechanics Institute	6,572	
Allotments	10	
Projects	10,617	
Sports Association	<u>5,395</u>	
	67,185	<u>67,185</u>
		39,680
Balance at 31st March 2005		39,680
Represented by: General Reserve	4,680	
Earmarked Reserve	<u>35,000</u>	

Are you friends with Whaley Bridge Station....?

Hope Valley and High Peak Transport Partnership will be holding a public meeting in September at the Mechanics Institute to encourage local people to form a "Friends of Whaley Bridge Station" group to monitor and improve the station environment.

For further details contact Cllr John Pritchard, Tel: 01663 732609.

Sport

Sports Pavilion and Multi-use Games Area

The council provides and manages the sports pavilion multi-use games area and skatepark adjacent to the football pitches off Park Road. The facilities provide various sporting activities and are available for hire to the community.

We hope to provide new sports and activities in the near future. For more information or to hire the facilities, contact:

Brenda Wise at the Mechanics Institute

Tel: 01663 733068.

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.

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