



Whaley Bridge Town Council

www.whaleybridge.com

Community Newsletter
Summer 2014

**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.

ARSONISTS SET FIRE TO NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT IN THE MEMORIAL PARK



Police are appealing for information about an arson attack which damaged the new zip-wire ramp in the Memorial Park sometime between 2pm on Tuesday, 15th July and 8.45am on Wednesday, 16th July. The park has recently been refurbished with a grant of £480,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund, and the play area updated with new adventure style equipment.

CCTV equipment is now being used to identify criminals and if you have seen someone acting suspiciously in the area, please contact PC Ellen Barlow on 101, the non-emergency number for Derbyshire police.

**To report a crime anonymously please call
Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.**

Our Twinning Link with Poland

Cllr Barrie Taylor presented this plaque to the Mayor of Tymbark,



Lech Nowak, at the Days of Tymbark celebrations in Tymbark on 28th June, to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the twinning link between the communities of Whaley Bridge and Tymbark. He received a certificate and plaque in return from the Mayor, which you can see displayed in the Mechanics Institute.

CAN WE SAVE FURNESS VALE POST OFFICE?

Furness Vale Post Office will close, along with the Village Shop, on 1st August if it cannot be relocated and new staff found. The current proprietors have been trying to sell the business for two years but have had no interest and they now wish to retire. Furness Vale had 13 thriving shops 35 years ago and after 1st August there will be none. This will be a sad day for the community.

Cllr Susanne Lomas, who is a Ward Councillor for Furness Vale, is working hard to find new premises and is exploring the possibility of relocating the Post Office to the Community Centre off Yeadsley Lane. She is currently discussing the options with a representative from the Post Office and Tony Arrowsmith who is employed as Steward of the Community Centre which is the central hub of village life.

If you can help Susanne in any way or wish to offer support for the campaign to keep Furness Vale Post Office open, please contact her on 01663 744764.

Susanne.lomas@gmail.com





LIGHTS OUT... “The lamps are going out all over Europe, we shall not see them lit again in our lifetime.”

Sir Edward Grey, Foreign Secretary, uttered these words on the eve of 4th August 1914 when Britain officially entered the First World War. Exactly 100 years later the Royal British Legion are inviting millions of individuals, households and companies to join together in a national moment of reflection.

They are encouraging everyone in the UK to turn off their lights between 10pm and 11pm on 4 August 2014 – leaving only a single light or candle for this symbolic act of reflection and hope.

Locally, a candle-lit vigil to mark the Centenary will be held at the War Memorial in the park from 10pm until 11pm on 4th August and everyone is welcome to take part. Please bring your own candle.

FUTURE REGENERATION PROJECTS

Whaley Bridge Town Council’s regeneration subgroup, Whaley4Wards, are considering regeneration projects for 2014 and would like the help of the Community of Whaley Bridge and Furness Vale to identify buildings known to have had a significant role to play in the development of the Town or have been the site of an interesting event in history. It’s the sort of thing that gets talked about in the pubs or at family gatherings but may never get recorded. The proposal is to commemorate places of significant interest with information plaques that could be used to create a linked up walk around the 4 wards of the parish which would be of interest to both residents and visitors alike.

Whaley4Wards can access up to £8000 this year, made up of a £4000 grant from HPBC plus £4000 match funding from WBTC. There are strict criteria for the regeneration projects that can be carried out, which can be seen on the WBTC website.

If you have ideas for small regeneration projects around Whaley Bridge and Furness Vale, please contact Whaley4Wards as below with your suggestions. Volunteers who wish to join the group and help define or implement the projects are very welcome.

Cllr Jon Goldfinch—Tel: 01663 733067 or Email: cldr.jong.wbtc@googlemail.com

Dates for your diary..

Saturday Coffee Mornings

A Coffee Morning is held at the Mechanics Institute every Saturday to raise funds for local organisations.

Town Council Meetings

Town Council Meetings are held at the Mechanics Institute on the second Thursday of each month (except August) at 7.30pm. You are welcome to speak to councillors about issues of concern during the ‘Open Forum’ agenda item. The next full council meeting will take place on 11th September 2014 but there will be a Planning Committee meeting on 14th August.

Dangerous Junction at Reservoir Road /Whaley Lane

Members of Whaley Bridge Amenity Society are concerned about the dangers for pedestrians at the junction of Reservoir Road with Whaley Lane. The Town Council has agreed to contact Derbyshire County Council, the Highways Authority, and invite representatives to attend a site meeting to discuss safety issues and possible solutions.

Contact us at...

Mechanics Institute
Market Street
Whaley Bridge
High Peak
SK23 7AA

Tel: 01663 733068

Email:
towncouncil@whaleybridge.com

Town Clerk:
Stephanie Raybould

Contact your Local Councillor.....

Fernilee Ward

Cllr Jon Goldfinch
89 Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge
SK23 7HX
01663 733067
cldr.jong.wbtc@googlemail.com

Cllr Linda Leather
95 Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge
SK23 7HX
01663 733008
Linda.Leather@highpeak.gov.uk

Cllr David Lomax
Spire House, Bings Road,
Whaley Bridge SK23 7ND
01663 733191
david.lomax@highpeak.gov.uk

Taxal Ward

Cllr Rodney Gilmour
Sunnylea, Elnor Lane,
Whaley Bridge SK23 7EX
01663 735384
rodney.gilmour@process-online.co.uk

Cllr John Swift
Madscar Farm, Taxal
SK23 7EA
0777 5691403

Cllr Barrie Taylor
Daleside, Linglongs Road,
Taxal SK23 7DS
01663 732334
barrie.taylor@cix.co.uk

Furness Vale Ward

Cllr Ron Bowden
Hollins View, 38 Buxton Road
Furness Vale, SK23 7PF
01663 732919

Cllr Susanne Lomas
7 Park Crescent,
Furness Vale, SK23 7PU
01663 744764
susannelomas@gmail.com

Cllr Ray Wild
225 Buxton Road,
Furness Vale, SK23 7PZ
01663 745726

Yeardsley Ward

Cllr John Pritchard (Chairman)
16 Elnor Lane, Whaley Bridge
SK23 7JN
01663 732609
John.Pritchard@highpeak.gov.uk

Cllr Martin Thomas
Foxhill, Start Lane,
Whaley Bridge SK23 7BR
07795 418270
unrealcity@btinternet.com

Cllr Anne Winter
63 Whaley Lane, Whaley Bridge
SK23 7BA
01663 734307
anne.winter2@btinternet.com