



WHALEY BRIDGE
TOWN COUNCIL

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

SPRING 2020 IN WHALEY BRIDGE

Grants and Donations

The Town Council would first like to express its sincerest thanks to everyone who applied for funding under the Town Councils Grants and Donations Policy.

The Town Council is delighted to announce that it has provided £2000 of funding to a number of groups in Whaley Bridge. This included; a £400 donation to 1st Taxal Scouts, a £500 donation to the Fernilee Transformation Team, a £400 donation to the Friends of Whaley Bridge Station, a £430 donation to Footsteps and a £270 donation to the Toddbrook Sailing Club.

The Town Council is happy to support the excellent work of these local groups and wishes them all the best with the projects that the Council has helped fund and their continued work for the community.

Applications for Grants and Donations for the financial year 2020/21 will open in due course and local groups will be notified how they can apply.

Whaley 4 Wards

Whaley 4 Wards are looking for new project ideas to help regenerate the 4 wards of Whaley Bridge and Furness Vale. They are also looking for willing volunteers who would generously donate their time to help with these projects. Volunteers of all skill levels are welcome and any time you can spare would be much appreciated.

If you are interested in volunteering your time or have ideas for regeneration projects in Whaley Bridge please contact the Town Clerk at townclerk@whaleybridge.com or alternatively by phone on 01663 733068 every weekday from 9:00am to 12:30pm.

Earth Day 2020

On the 22nd April 2020 it is the 50th anniversary of Earth Day which is celebrated in 173 countries around the world. To commemorate this special anniversary groups worldwide are wanting to do a Sunday to Sunday celebration to bookmark the event.

Acclimatise Whaley and number of local groups in Whaley bridge are holding a week of events to celebrate. If any other group are thinking of holding an event to commemorate Earth Day or simply wish to have more information regarding the events that are taking place please contact the Town Clerk on townclerk@whaleybridge.com or alternatively by phone on 01663 733068 every weekday from 9:00am to 12:30pm.

Vision 4 Whaley: The Whaley Bridge Neighbourhood Plan

Our Steering Group has held 16 meetings; see <https://www.vision4whaley.org.uk/minutes>. A draft Household Questionnaire has been prepared. Later this year, the final version will be printed and delivered to every household.

In our 'Postcard from the Future Art Competition', Whaley Bridge children were invited to draw a vision of their town in 2032. Around 400 pupils from Whaley Bridge and Furness Vale Primary Schools, as well as Taxal and Fernilee C of E Primary School, and Bridgemont and Sunshine Nurseries submitted entries to the competition.

Some of these will be used to illustrate the Household Questionnaire.

Films in Furness Vale at the Community Centre <https://www.furnessclub.co.uk/movie-list>

Matinee 2.30pm Evening 7.30pm - Doors open half an hour before performances.

The next film showing is Pavarotti on the 21st February, followed by Blinded by the Light on the 20th of March with a new film roughly every 3rd Friday of the month.

To join email list/enquiries 01663 744764 (susanne.lomas@gmail.com)

Furness Vale History Society <http://furnesshistory.blogspot.co.uk>

Meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at Furness Vale Community Centre. Doors open 7pm for a 7.30 start.

Admission £2 including refreshments, or £1 for members. A licensed bar is usually available.

Furness Vale PO, Shop and Cafe welcomes everyone, Tuesday & Thursday 1.30pm - 4.30pm.

Volunteer helpers are welcome to join our team. Ring 01663 744764.

Furness Vale Community Centre <https://www.furnessclub.co.uk/whats-on>

To hire for private functions, meetings, parties etc. - includes use of fully fitted kitchen, projector & screen, stage and Green Room. Fully accessible toilets, licensed bar - ring 01663 744278 evenings to book/leave a message.

Whaley Bridge Sports Association

Anyone who wants to make a booking please either visit the Whaley Bridge website and fill out the relevant form or please email sportsbookings@whaleybridge.com alternatively you can call 01663 733068 weekdays 9am-12pm.

Mechanics Institute

A number of classes are available at the Mechanics Institute for information on what classes are available feel free to drop into the Mechanics Institute between 9:00am -12:30pm. Alternatively you can call 01663 733068 or email mechanicsbookings@whaleybridge.com for more information.

Mechanics Institute refurbishment

Whaley Bridge Town Council have commissioned a feasibility study to explore what options are available to add disabled access to the Mechanics Institute building. There has been a long standing issue with disabled access into the Mechanics Institute and the Town Council are committed to pursuing all options that are available.

Regular updates with progress will be provided in future newsletters.

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