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THE NEW PARISH AREA

As many will be aware Tarvin Parish became much bigger geographically on 1st April 2015. Bruen Stapleford, Hockenhull and Prior's Heys were added to a significant part of the old Parish with a small number of properties being transferred to Willington Parish. The Parish Council would particularly like to hear from residents in Bruen Stapleford, Hockenhull, and Prior's Heys if there are any concerns about their area. Even if these are not necessarily Parish Council issues the Council would still like to hear as it is able to lobby, sometimes successfully, other public bodies for action. Please contact the Clerk or one of the serving Councillors.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION MAY 2015

As only 8 names were put forward for 11 places the election was uncontested and the eight names put forward were duly elected. Since then Mr Mike Lloyd and Mr Larry Holmes have been co-opted onto the Council. There is therefore one place still to be filled.

CO-OPTION OF A COUNCILLOR

If you are interested in how your Parish is looked after and how it develops then why not consider becoming a Councillor? The positions are voluntary and take up as much time as you are prepared to give. The commitment is at least to attend the monthly Parish Council meeting held on a Monday evening. Councillors represent the views and concerns of the residents of the Parish to the Parish Council and, through it, to the Borough Council.

If you think that you would enjoy being a Councillor please contact the Clerk or any Councillor for further details.

RETIRING COUNCILLORS

Roger Hones, Phil Miles and Andy Shaw-Pollard were the three retiring Councillors and we thank them for their many years loyal service to the old Parish of Tarvin.

MAYOR OF CHESTER

Congratulations to our one of our ward Councillors, Hugo Deynem, who is Mayor of Chester during the coming year.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

Delivered with this newsletter you will have received the 2014/15 Annual Report of the Parish Council and also a Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire. This questionnaire was first used at the Tarvin village fete on 27th June. Although over 100 were handed out that day only 49 have so far been returned. It is important that as many questionnaires are completed as that way the Steering Group overseeing the production of the Plan will get a comprehensive picture of what you feel. Therefore please complete the questionnaire and have it ready when a Parish Councillor calls to collect it. When he/she will call will be indicated on the questionnaire. If you are one of the 49 who has already answered the questions thank you. You need not repeat the exercise. The results once analysed will be published on Tarvinonline. The next meeting of the Parish Plan Steering Group will be on Thursday 10th September, 7.30pm, in the Small Room at the Community Centre. These meetings are open to the public, anyone is very welcome to attend.

TARVIN EDUCATION TRUST

This is a Charity established up to manage the endowment of the old Tarvin Grammar School. Its purpose is to assist the educational needs of students of secondary school age and older who live in the Ancient Parish of Tarvin. This assistance may take the form of financial assistance for tuition fees, books, musical instruments, and travel on approved courses. The next round of applications should be made no later than 1st September 2015 to the Clerk to the Governors, Mr D H Cotgreave, Brown Heath Farm, Tarvin, Chester CH3 8NE - Tel 01829 740231

SPEED LIMIT ASSESSMENT OSCROFT

Many will be aware that Highways and the Police have been carrying out assessments over the last few months. The information gathering has been completed and a validation panel consisting of representation from the Police and Highways Area Office has met and made their final recommendations. The Clerk expects to receive the report in time for the project to be an agenda item at the August Parish Council meeting in order that Council can study the proposals.

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TARVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Here are some of the great things we have lined up for you until December!

On Saturday September 12th we have an evening of Jazz in the Village. This is mellow jazz with a saxophone and piano, ably played by Scottish musicians Ian Millar and Dominic Spencer. Expect warm. intelligent and reflective music. Tickets will be £10 and there will be a bar and refreshments. Find out more about the duo at www.millarandspencer.co.uk The following weekend September 18th-20th we extend a warm welcome to St Andrews for their Harvest Fest, for three days of entertainment. These include a comedy night. a band concert and a barn dance. For tickets and details call 01829 740354 or email tarvinevents@gmail.com.

September 25th will see the welcome return of our **Family Film Nights** with the regular 6.00pm start for the family/kids film and 8.00pm for the grown-ups. Prices remain the same this year but the films have not yet been confirmed. Check out our website for details, also posters in the usual places.

On Friday **October 16th at 7.30** we have a real treat, a performance of the West Yorkshire Playhouse production of **Beryl** written by Maxine Peake that tells the life of the best woman cyclist Britain has ever produced. At **6pm** on Friday **November 6th** our younger theatre goers (6/7+) have their moment in the spotlight with a hilarious tale from the writer of the West End hit Matilda. Called **Our Teacher's a Troll**.

Some of the details of the above are yet to be decided and in most cases tickets are not yet on sale. Details of all of the above will be found, very soon, on Community Centre web site, on our Facebook page, on the A-Frame and other notice boards and on Tarvinonline.

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ASHTON HAYES & TARVIN FLOWER CLUB

Do you like flowers and enjoy meeting people? Why not join us for an evening of entertainment as you watch a skilled flower arranger demonstrate their art. All arrangements are raffled so you may take one home with you! We meet in Tarvin Community Centre, on the second Wednesday of every month at 7.30 p.m., (except August and December) and you would be assured of a friendly welcome. Demonstrations are advertised on High Street Noticeboard each month. Further information from 01829 740832 or 01829 740473

COMMUNITY CLEAR UP DAY

The next clear up is scheduled for Saturday 12th September from 9.30am until 12.30pm. Further details will be published on Tarvinonline and the High Street and Oscroft Noticeboards later in the month. All help will be appreciated.

LOCAL POLICING

Cheshire Police have very recently restructured. PC Trow who has covered our area for some time now has responsibility for the beat management for three of the rural ward areas consisting of seventeen parish councils including ourselves. PC Trow is being supported by a team of three Police Constable Support Officers (PCSO'S) covering the three ward areas. PCSO Ryan Reid will be covering our Parish and it is hoped that he will, on occasions, attend the Open Forum of Council meetings to talk about local matters.

ABOUT YOUR COUNCIL

Tarvin Parish Council is comprised of the following 10 Councillors – their contact telephone numbers, all dial code 01829 are in brackets: Cllr David Cotgreave (740231), Cllr Sue Hardacre (741962), Cllr Larry Homes (740564), Cllr Clare Jones (740186), Cllr Mike Lloyd, Cllr Edward Lush (741468), Cllr Matthew Pochin (741136), Cllr Brian Spruce (740393), Cllr Pet Twigg (740509), Cllr Ray Williams (740486)

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