

TARVIN CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL AND MARKET

The Tarvin Christmas Festival and Market is taking place on Saturday, 5th December, this year and it will be held between 5.00 pm and 9.00 pm in the High Street. The Street Market will again have a Food Court featuring a Hog Roast supplied and served by The Travelling Pig Company, who will also be selling beefburgers and sausages. Other stalls will be serving popcorn and pancakes. In addition to the hot food, there will be craft, tombola and food stalls along with games to test your skill. The musical entertainment will again be provided by the Sue Reid Trio. Father Christmas has promised to make a special trip to Tarvin again this year, so children are invited to visit him in his Grotto. There will be fun and entertainment with something for everyone.

Keep a look out for further information to find out what is happening. We do hope that you will be able to join us and enjoy the perfect start to the run up to Christmas.

If you are interested in joining our small Organising Committee, interested in contributing ideas, or can help on the day please contact Lyn (741062) or Joan (741314) or email tarvinchristmasfestival@hotmail.com We will be holding our next coffee morning and cake sale on Saturday, 21 November, in support of the Christmas Market at the Tarvin Methodist Church between 10.00 am and 12.30 pm. At the coffee morning the Methodist Church has organised stalls selling personalised baby items, woodcraft, funky affordable jewellery and scarves, Tropical Skincare, Forever Living aloe vera products and Phoenix cards - so shop locally for Christmas!

Please come and have a cup of coffee and a cake. We do need your support.'

OSCROFT SPEEDING ISSUES

A big thank you to the residents of Oscroft for taking the time to complete the Proposed Speed Limits Consultation paper prepared by Highways. 107 houses received the questionnaire and responses were received from 90 addresses. The vote was 89 in favour and 1 against. The results will be sent to

Highways as part of the legal process needed to change speed regulations.

Thanks also to Councillors Mike Lloyd and Matthew Pochin and the Oscroft residents who conducted the survey with such enthusiasm and achieved such a high response rate.

TARVIN VILLAGE QUIZ 2016

The 34th village quiz will be taking place on 15th and 22nd January 2016. A team consists of 4 members with 1 reserve. If you wish to enter a team please contact Margaret Dixon (Tel 01829 740665). Also, please contact Margaret if you would like to help with the compiling of questions.

UPDATE ON PARISH PUBLIC FOOTPATHS

Work has been done recently near Tarvin Mill to clear the fallen branches and fencing which were blocking FP4 to Hollowmoor Heath. This footpath is now clear for people to use.

Footpath FP2 which goes to Barrow and crosses the land near Tarvin sewage works has had over grown vegetation cut back and is now also clear to use.

Similarly footpath FP19 from Austins Hill to Platts Lane has been cleared.

Efforts are underway to restore to use FP30 from Platts lane to Old Moss which has been out of use due to the erection of fencing.

Please report to the Parish Clerk any problems you find in using the Tarvin Parish footpath network.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Tarvin Neighbourhood Plan process is underway, led by an enthusiastic group of local residents. The results of the Community Questionnaire have been published around the parish and on Tarvinonline. The Steering Group would welcome comments on the results.

Please send them to the Chairman, Ted Lush, Woodlea, Platts Lane, Tarvin CH3 8LH

SEISMIC SURVEY WORK

At the October Parish Council meeting the Open Forum was packed with people who had come to listen to representatives of IGas and Tesla International, who are carrying out seismic survey work to assess the potential for gas extraction from shale. The questions asked

by the public, together with answers to some of the questions provided on the night, are on the Council's website, Tarvinonline, and village noticeboards. The companies promised to answer the remaining questions and once received these answers will be published. It is important to note that while seismic survey work has taken place in the parish there are currently no plans to carry out "fracking" in the parish.

This is a topic which the Parish Council recognises is both important and controversial. It believes that residents should have access to a source of independent objective information

OVERGROWN HEDGES

The Parish Council regularly receive complaints about overhanging hedges and trees. This makes life difficult for pedestrians. Please check the hedges and trees on your property and check that they have not encroached onto the footway. If they have please have them cut back. Thank you

CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR

There is still one vacancy for a local person to be elected by co-option. A number of people have expressed an interest in taking on this role. Assuming that this interest leads to requests to be considered Council will co-opt at the November meeting. Please ensure that the Clerk is aware of applications no later than 20th November.

TARVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Community Centre was delighted to receive a grant from the Cheshire Community Foundation to undertake improvements to the Edna Rose Room and hopefully the new curtains, round tables and toning table cloths have met with approval. Now the room is looking somewhat less institutional, the Committee is hoping that it will become a venue for parties, anniversaries and other celebrations. To help make this more attractive there will be a renovation and improvement of the kitchen over the Christmas holidays. Rumour has it that these might include a dishwasher!

The Centre continues to attract new users and one that deserves special mention is Iddenshall Hall, the Residential Care Home at Clotton. The staff hire the Edna Rose Room, bring some of the residents along and then

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invite the village to join them for tea, cake and a chat. This is not about 'long-term befriending' but providing a little bit of social activity for those whose horizons may have become a bit limited. The next afternoon is on November 20th from 2.30 until 4.30 and is free. Visitors of all ages are very welcome to come and join in.

The Centre continues to be the place to come for great entertainment with a full programme of theatre, music and film for all tastes and audiences. There is a new offering from Ashton Hayes Theatre Club, **Jack and the Beanstalk, on Dec 5th** and a series of Family and grown-up films to suit all tastes. The next film will be **Suffragettes on November 27th**, but please note there will be **NO Children's film** that evening. There will be film nights on Dec 18th, Jan 29th and Feb 26th and there are rumours that a certain secret agent might be coming in his Aston Martin!

Details of all these events can always be found online or on the A Frame outside the Post Office.

The Committee was sad to say goodbye to Rob Delamere, our excellent and hard-working caretaker for the last 3 years. Rob was a real member of the team and a good friend to many clubs and societies. We are delighted that he has survived the re-organisation of CW&C's services and got another job with them. The hours of caretaking to the building have been cut and this may have a profound effect on how the Community Centre operates, but for now we just wish Rob good luck in his new post.

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 Holmes (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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