



DENBY DALE PARISH COUNCIL Newsletter



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NEW CHAIRMAN

Following the recent Annual Council Meeting, Denby Dale Parish councillors elected Birdsedge resident Cllr John Cook as the new Chairman of the Council for the forthcoming year.



The new Vice Chairman of the council is Cllr Billy Jewitt. Following the recent elections, the council would also like to welcome Cllrs Paula Kemp, Paul Cassidy and Maggie Blanshard. The Council would also like to welcome three new co-opted councillors, Cllrs Jackie Senior, Neil Denby and Brian Banawich.

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL REPORT 2014 - 2015

Summary of accounts 2014-2015	
Precept (Parish Council portion of Council Tax)	£158,378.00
Refund of VAT	£3,360.75
Other items (grants received, refunds, bank interest)	£2,822.89
Total income	£164,561.64
General running costs	
Administration including authorised travel costs, employment, insurance, office equipment, postage, stationery, telephone/internet	£28,025.99
Civic Governance costs	
Audit fees, conferences, training, civic functions, subscriptions	£2,654.45
Public Information	
Advertisements, annual report, newsletter, noticeboards and website	£4,180.00
Grants	
Small grants and community grants and loan to Heritage Working Party	£21,418.70
Parish Projects	
Countryside Project	£25,000.00
Christmas trees, hanging baskets and poppy wreaths	£5,480.00
Restoration of phone boxes and purchase of litter bins & dog bags	£5,439.35
Total expenditure	£92,198.49

HOW TO CONTACT YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Cllr Paul Cassidy via the Clerk
Cllr Ray Gott via the Clerk
Cllr Paula Kemp 07811 451114
Cllr Edward Shaw 01924 848364

Clayton West

Cllr John Cook 01484 917352
Cllr Lynn Hardy 07525 262507
Cllr Susan Hellewell 07971 818614
Cllr Billy Jewitt 07749 182815

Denby & Cumberworth

Cllr Richard Brook 01484 606275
Cllr Cynthia Naylor via the Clerk
Cllr Janet Depledge 01484 863551
Cllr Maggie Blanshard 01484 862295
Cllr Steven Slater 01484 861758
Cllr Jackie Senior 07850 305154

Skelmanthorpe

Cllr Polly Flinders 01484 865096
Cllr Graham Turner 01484 864446
Cllr Kelvyn Waites 01484 865449
Cllr Jamie Summers 07851 234596
Cllr Neil Denby Neil.denby@icloud.com
Cllr Brian Banawich 07758 598353

The full Annual Report 2014–2015 is available from the Clerk and on our website: www.denbydale.com

SMALL GRANTS

The Parish Council operates a small grant scheme where local groups can apply for funding for up to £500. Grant forms are available on our website or directly from the Clerk. The deadline for submitting a small grant application this year is **14 October 2015**.

The Community Grant Scheme is open all year round, for details please see our website.

Charity Appeals for a Secretary to join the South Huddersfield Fundraising Group



Marie Curie is appealing for someone in the local community to volunteer for the role of Secretary for the South Huddersfield Volunteer Fundraising Group. The Group support the work of Marie Curie in the local area.

The role involves attending Fundraising Group meetings every 4-6 weeks and being part of the group's organising of fundraising activities. The role of the Secretary is to take minutes of the meetings and deal with any correspondence that the Fundraising Group receives along with being involved with the fundraising activities that the group plan.

Katie Grinter, local Community Fundraiser for the charity said 'We are looking for individuals who are organised, enjoy working as a team, have good record keeping and have a genuine interest in supporting the work of Marie Curie locally to support the fantastic Fundraising Group in South Huddersfield. The group do an incredible job of raising money to support the local Marie Curie Nursing Service to provide care to people terminally ill'

Marie Curie is here to help people living with a terminal illness and their families make the most of the time they have together by delivering expert care, emotional support, research and guidance.

If you think you have a few hours spare every few weeks and would like to get involved with the fundraising group, please contact Katie on 01274 386 190 or email katie.grinter@mariecurie.org.uk



FURTHER NEWS

DOORSTEP CALL ALERT

West Yorkshire has recently seen an increase in doorstep calls and whether legitimate or not, there are a few tips you can follow in order to establish whether you want to speak with them.

- Always check their identity, ask for photo ID
- Ask them to show ID through letterbox / window if unsure
- Check clothing for a company logo
- Ask to wait and check with organisation
- Find a number for organisation yourself, do not ring one they give you
- If uncomfortable, ask them to leave and make appointment
- If worried, call 999/101 and report to police
- If in doubt, keep them out!

It is a good idea to have the contact details of your energy suppliers handy should you need to contact them. It is also suggested you keep the below list of contact numbers handy should you need to check anything with them:

Yorkshire Water: 0800 138 7878

Kirklees Council: 01484 221000

Trading Standards Citizens Advice: 03454 04 05 06

If you would like any further advice, please contact your local Crime Prevention Department on 01484 436840 based at Huddersfield Police Station.

ANDY'S UPDATE ~ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

New volunteers are needed to help complete tasks at East Hill Woods and Cliffe Woods ~ if you are interested in taking part or would like further information on volunteer activities please contact Andy the Countryside Officer at: andy.wickham@kirklees.gov.uk

LIBRARY NEWS ~ SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2015



Launches Saturday 11th July and runs until Saturday 12th September.

This year's theme is linked to Guinness World Records™ (GWR), the global authority in record breaking achievements and publishers of the annual Guinness World Records™ book each September. GWR celebrates its 60th anniversary in 2015.

How it works

Children aged 4-11 are encouraged to read up to six library books over the summer holidays. They need to be a member of the library, just pop along to your nearest library from the 11th of July: it's free and easy to join. As they read their books children will receive a Record Breaker fold out poster with facts both bizarre and incredible. There are stickers to collect along the way and a medal and certificate is awarded to all children who complete the challenge. Over 20,000 books were read in Kirklees last summer, can we beat it this year??

Information on events can be found at the Denby Dale and Kirkburton visitor site: <http://www.denbydale-kirkburton.org.uk>
Archives on the area can be found at: www.denbydalekirkburtonarchives.co.uk .

To contact the Parish Council, email denbydaleparishcouncil@kirklees.gov.uk or phone the Clerk on 01484 222963. Office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday