



# Plumley Village Newsletter

Including Toft and Bexton

Jan/Feb 2012

Welcome to the New Year edition of the Newsletter. Between editions of the Newsletter all the latest information and news can be found on the website, at:  
<http://parish.cheshire.gov.uk/plumley-bexton-toft-parish-council/>

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Dates for the Diary-  
more details in this issue.

**2012**

**Mon 9th Jan** Holiday  
Adventures in New Zealand.  
(WI)

**Wed. 25th Jan** Parish Council  
Meeting. 7.45 pm (PC)

**Sat 4th Feb** Coffee  
Morning. 10-noon (PMC)

**Mon 6th Feb** Annual  
Birthday evening. (WI)

**Wed 29th Feb** Parish Council  
Meeting. 7.45 pm (PC)

**Mon 5th March** Antiques even-  
ing with Peter Ashburner.  
(WI)

**8th/9th and 10th March**  
TOTC production 'You're  
Only Young Twice' (at PVH)

**26th April** Annual Parish  
Meeting (at PVH)

**Sat 2nd June – Tues 5th  
June** Diamond Birthday of  
HRH The Queen

## Parish Council News

### Parish Council Meetings

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 25th Jan, at PVH. Members of the public are always welcome at the Parish Council meetings, and a 15 minute period is included on the agenda for public questions.

A police surgery is held prior to the Parish Council meetings. On the 25th Jan it will be held in PVH at 7.30 pm.

### Glynis Knott

The Parish Council is sad to announce the resignation of Glynis Knott who took the post of Parish Clerk last year. Glynis has resigned for family reasons and we would like to take this opportunity to send Glynis our best for the future. The Clerk's position has now been taken on by Sharon Jones who maintains our web site.

### New Web Site

The new website will be available for you to view in February via a link on the current site at <http://parish.cheshire.gov.uk/plumley-bexton-toft-parish-council/>

### Annual Parish Meeting 26th April, 2012

We are delighted to confirm that Sally Buttifant, Mid Cheshire Community Rail Partnership Officer and Jon Wheildon, Ineos Brinefields, will be two of the speakers at our Annual Parish Meeting this year. We hope you will be there to join us in welcoming them to the meeting.

### Knutsford Community Police.

**PCSO Andy Dolan**  
For any local issues or crime prevention advice please call 0845 4586380  
Email [Knutsford.npy@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Knutsford.npy@cheshire.pnn.police.uk)

### New Police Contact Number

To contact the Police for important but non emergency issues dial 101. The 999 number is still reserved for Police Emergencies and the other Emergency Services.

### Parish Council Responsibilities.

**Sybil Crossman** Chairman.  
**David Nichols** Vice Chairman.  
Plumley Village Hall.  
**Tony Gabbott** Community Pride, Parish Plan Implementation.  
**Jim Lloyd** Home watch, Cheshire Resilience Plan.  
**Jane Richardson** Transport & Highways.  
**John Wright** Footpaths and Planning.

### A556 Knutsford to Bowden Environmental

### Public Consultation Exhibition

The exhibition will show details of the scheme and will be available to view at Cottons Hotel and Spa, Manchester Road Knutsford, WA6 0SU on 28th Jan 10am—5pm, 31st Jan 10am-9pm and 9th Feb 1pm-9pm.

### Key

PVH Plumley Village Hall  
PMC Plumley Methodist Church  
WI Women's Institute.  
PC Parish Council

### Community Resilience

"Community resilience" may be a term unfamiliar to readers of this newsletter. Many may be more familiar with terms like "contingency planning" or simply "being prepared". Community resilience is a government initiative which is these ideas and more, as it implies an element of "looking out for others" in times of need.

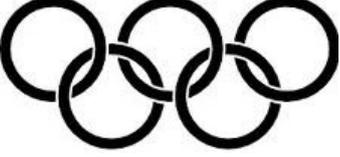
Examples might be planning for periods of extreme weather: severe cold, gales or conversely, a heat wave. Another recent example would be pandemic influenza. Government and local government have responsibility to plan for such events, and others. In the past individuals and communities made their own preparations for difficult times and community resilience embraces this. Consider how you might prepare for the unexpected? A few simple steps such as keeping in stock a small extra contingency store of dry goods/tinned foodstuffs, a few basic home remedies such as you might take on a holiday abroad, and provision of an alternative means of preparing meals/ heating a single room will be seen by many, as simply common sense.

Smaller communities like Plumley, Bexton and Toft, have a tradition of "keeping an eye out for" those at risk in their neighbourhoods such as elderly or infirm residents. More formal plans for bigger threats to the community, requiring a more robust response, will be prepared by the parish council with Cheshire East and will be available to view on the website. More details to follow.

**Copy dates for the next edition to be received by 1st March, 2012**

Plumley Village Hall	Music Trains	Children's Corner
<p><b>Happy New Year!</b></p> <p>The Village Hall Management Committee wish you and other Hirers and Users a happy and healthy New Year.</p> <p>Also we would like to thank everyone who attended the Carol Concert with Mereside Brass Band in the Village Hall on 16 December. There was a great turnout and everyone enjoyed singing carols and listening to the Christmas music. Our thanks also go to the ladies from the WI who served refreshments and to Sarah Saunders for donating a beautiful cake for the raffle, as well as to Mike Phenton and Mereside Brass Band.</p> <p><b>Zumba Classes from Tuesday 17 January 2012</b></p> <p>You may be interested to learn that from <b>Tuesday 17th January</b>, Zumba classes are being rescheduled to run on <b>Tuesday evenings from 7.00 – 7.45pm</b>. Why not make your New Year's resolution be to come along and enjoy yourself, as well as improving your fitness and well-being?</p> <p><b>"On the Edge": Saturday 25 February 2012</b></p> <p>The next Rural Touring Network Production is "On the Edge" by the Kepow Theatre Company. "This wonderful comedy show explores all those moments in life when we are "on the edge". Falling in love, leaving home, getting a job, bungee jumping, you name it, this show explores it! Suggestions are taken from the audience and "Comedy Impro" Kevin Tomlinson then improvises amusing or touching scenes based on these ideas."</p> <p>This show has toured internationally, having first appeared at the Edinburgh Festival in 2003, where it received 5 star reviews and a standing ovation on the last night. It is suitable for ages 6 to 106 year olds! Do come and enjoy this production which will be held on Saturday 25th February 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. <b>Tickets are £8 for adults and £6 for under-16s and will be available from the beginning of February from the village shop or from Penny Allen on 722259.</b> February is not far away, so act soon to avoid disappointment!</p> <p>David Nichols Chairman, Plumley Village Hall Management Committee, Registered Charity no 520096</p>	<p>A new schedule for Music trains will be available shortly. Music trains are arranged by Mid Cheshire Community Rail Partnership.</p> <p>Please contact Sally Buttifant, Community rail Officer for more details — 01244 976788, 07736523863 E-mail — <a href="mailto:railoffier@midcheshirerail.org.uk">railoffier@midcheshirerail.org.uk</a></p> <p><b>The Other Theatre Company</b></p> <p>The next production will be an hilarious comedy by Ron Aldridge 'You're <b>Only Young Twice</b>' which will be performed at PVH on 8 -10 March 2012.</p> <p>'It's a familiar story - running around with a gang, late night drinking parties, loud music, out all hours and not getting out of bed until the afternoon. Sue and Richard have all these problems and it's driving them crazy. But it's not problems with a teenage son - it's Sue's dad Brooksie! A recent widower, Brooksie and his gang from the Over 60s club, are finding delight in recapturing their youth.'</p> <p>Tickets will be available in a few weeks time. Details to be posted on PC Website or visit the TOTC website: <a href="http://www.theothertheatrecompany.co.uk">www.theothertheatrecompany.co.uk</a></p> <p><b>Lower Peover School</b></p> <p>As from 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012 we are switching over to a new telephone system, which will cut down the telephone costs to the school. <b>The new number will be 01625 383292.</b></p> <p>Also, don't forget that new registrations for the September 2012 year must be made by 15th January 2012. To register your child call the school or send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:admin@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk">admin@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk</a></p> <p><b>Superfast Broadband</b></p> <p>Following the article in the last edition here is the information you need to register your interest in the Superfast Broadband service. By registering your interest you can help bring this service to the area more quickly.</p> <p>Please go to the following site for information and to register your interest online <a href="http://www.connectingcheshire.org.uk">www.connectingcheshire.org.uk</a></p>	<p><b>Colour Quiz</b></p> <p><i>What are the five colours on the Olympic rings?</i></p> <p><i>Which colours are on Dennis the Menace's jumper?</i></p> <p><i>What are the three primary colours?</i></p> <p><i>What colour are the Methodist Chapel gates?</i></p> <p><i>What is the top colour of the rainbow?</i></p> <p><i>What colour is Plumley's very own pheasant?</i></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 100%; height: 100%; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; text-align: center;"> <p><b>Count the colours. Have you got...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 red</li> <li>3 black</li> <li>2 blue</li> <li>1 green</li> <li>1 gold</li> <li>1 yellow</li> </ul> </div> <p><b>Community Policing</b></p> <p><b>Knutsford Community Police PCSO Andy Dolan</b></p> <p>If you would like to speak to me about any local issues or Crime prevention advice please call 0845 458 6380 or Email <a href="mailto:knutsford.npt@cheshire.pnn.police.uk">knutsford.npt@cheshire.pnn.police.uk</a>. The next Police Surgery is on 25th Jan at 7.30 pm in PVH</p> <p><b>Unlicensed hawkers have been calling at houses in the area. If they call at your house you do not have to answer the door to them. If you do answer the door to them and they give you cause for concern, call the Police on 101.</b></p>
<b>Ruralwatch</b>		
<p>Police in Knutsford are warning motorists to protect their belongings by locking their vehicles; this is in response to a recent increase in thefts from unattended cars and vans in Knutsford and the surrounding rural areas.</p> <p>The advice from police is to remove any items of high value from the vehicle or at least move them out of sight and also to lock vehicles.</p> <p>Sergeant Alex McMillan from the local Policing Team said "Rural parking areas and residential locations with little or no lighting appear to be the areas most heavily targeted by thieves, the most attractive items are hand held electronic devices such as laptops and smart phones".</p> <p><b>Top items wanted by thieves</b> are portable computing devices such as tablet PCs and laptops; smart phones; cash and jewellery.</p> <p>Police have increased patrols in the areas most affected by this recent increase in thefts and will work with partner agencies in an effort to reduce the number of victims of this type of criminality.</p>		

**Don't forget to use the Knutsford Village Rider.  
Telephone 01606 786833—open to all residents—both young and old!**

Olympics 2012	Plumley Women's Institute	Plumley Methodist Church
 <p><b>Banner Competition</b> The Knutsford Local Area Partnership invite you to enter a competition to create and design an image to be included on a Banner to be exhibited when the Olympic Torch visits Knutsford on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2012.</p> <p>The image/picture should represent our community with an Olympic theme eg a landmark displayed with the Olympic Rings, a local design on a gold, silver or bronze medal or an athlete in a local setting.</p> <p>The design should use paper or fabric &amp; be A4 landscape, drawn, painted, coloured, collage or use electronic/photographic images.</p> <p>For more details please contact Jane Richardson (<a href="mailto:Richardson_j@hotmail.co.uk">Richardson_j@hotmail.co.uk</a> or tel 723386).</p>	<p><b>Monday 9th Jan.</b> Elizabeth Hall will be telling members about her holiday in New Zealand. Competition – An item of interest from New Zealand.</p> <p><b>Monday 6th Feb.</b> The annual Birthday evening. Competition – 1950's memorabilia.</p> <p><b>Monday 5th Mar.</b> Peter Ashburner will be talking on Antiques and valuations. Competition – A small antique.</p> <p><b>Monday 2nd Apr.</b> Kate Cowley will be giving a talk entitled "Learning by Mistakes". Competition – Crafty mistake.</p> <p>All the above meetings will be held at 7.30.p.m. in Plumley Village Hall.</p> <p>The members of Plumley W.I. are looking forward to another entertaining and enjoyable year. Our Programme Secretary has arranged a very varied programme for us. At the January meeting one of our members will be telling everyone about her fantastic holiday in New Zealand. As the year goes by we will be having talks on Antiques, Mountain Gorillas, Arts and Crafts, Journalism, and John Hooley will giving us an insight into the Royal Trains and their Passengers.</p> <p>The first County event is the CFWI Annual Council Meeting, held in Winsford.</p>	<p>The Sunday worship will be held at <b>11 am from January 2012.</b></p> <p>You are very welcome to join us at any service.</p> <p><b>Other forthcoming events and services:</b></p> <p><b>Saturday 4th February 10.30am</b> to early afternoon Breakfast will be served instead of usual coffee morning. Further details from church members or watch out for posters around the village nearer the time.</p> <p>Coffee Morning will be held on <b>Saturday March 3rd 10.30am</b> with proceeds to Northwich Methodist Circuit Kenya Fund.</p> <p>Do come along to this lovely social event normally held on the first Saturday of each month. If you would like to host a coffee morning in the future please speak to a Church Member. Proceeds can be given to your chosen charity.</p> <p>The bazaar held in November was very well attended and a wonderful social occasion too and raised £1,110.00. The December coffee morning was a huge success and raised over £300 and will be divided between a children's charity and church funds.</p>
<p><b>Dog Fouling - Bag it and bin it!!</b></p>	<p>Already our Secretary has received a Schedule for the 2012 Cheshire Show, and meetings are being arranged with regard to the entries.</p>	<p>The Guild is an informal meeting held on the last Tuesday of each month at 2.30pm in the Church Hall. It last for 1 to one and half hours, usually with a speaker followed by a chat and cup of tea and biscuits. New members are very welcome (male and female), just come along or for more information contact Edna Fewtrell or Madge Holt.</p>
<p>It has been brought to our attention that since the dark nights drew in dog fouling in the area has, again become an issue!</p> <p>We appreciate that there are many responsible dog owners in the village who clean up after their dogs, however there are a few irresponsible owners who still refuse to clean up after their dogs.</p>	<p>The walks for members, the Darts team, the Painting classes and the Theatre outings are all coming together again for what I'm sure will be yet another active and enjoyable year for Plumley W.I.</p>	<p>The Guild is an informal meeting held on the last Tuesday of each month at 2.30pm in the Church Hall. It last for 1 to one and half hours, usually with a speaker followed by a chat and cup of tea and biscuits. New members are very welcome (male and female), just come along or for more information contact Edna Fewtrell or Madge Holt.</p>
<p><b>Please</b> ensure that when you take your dog for a walk you take a bag, clean up their mess and dispose of it in the bins provided or take it home and bin it! Thank you</p>	<p><b>Britain in Bloom 2012</b></p> <p>To kick off this year's campaign all 'in Bloom' and It's Your Neighbourhood groups have been invited to sow wildflowers as part of a nationwide 'in Bloom' celebration to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.</p>	<p><b>LOST WALLET!</b></p>
<p><b>If you would like to receive this newsletter via e-mail, please contact:</b> <a href="mailto:clerk@plumley-bexton-toft-parish-council.co.uk">clerk@plumley-bexton-toft-parish-council.co.uk</a>.</p> <p><b>Thank you to all the volunteers who help with the distribution.</b></p>	<p>Participating groups will get one free pack of annual wildflower seeds to sow at a local launch event.</p> <p>The Parish Council has applied for the seeds and we look forward to announcing details of our local launch event at Plumley Station in the next edition of the newsletter.</p>	<p>A wallet has been lost at the station, if you find it please contact the Clerk Thank you</p>

Local Contacts	Local Groups in Plumley	
<p>* <b>Parish Council Chairman</b>— Cllr Sybil Crossman 722650</p> <p>* <b>Village Hall Committee Chairman</b> David Nichols 723837</p> <p><b>Village Hall Bookings</b> Lynsey Peacock 722055 e-mail lynsey.peacock2@hotmail.co.uk.</p> <p>* <b>Chapel Bookings</b>—Elizabeth Hall 722721</p> <p>* <b>Knutsford Village Rider</b> 01606 786833</p> <p>* <b>Tennis Courts &amp; Play area</b> Iain McCulloch 722535</p> <p>* <b>Plumley Stores/Post Office</b> Jonathan Royle 722277</p> <p>* <b>Toft Church Hall</b> Hazel Raw 651205</p> <p>* <b>Cheshire East Council</b> 0300 123 5500</p> <p>* <b>Knutsford Police</b> 0845 458 6380</p> <p>* <b>Knutsford Village Rider</b> 01606 786833</p> <p>* <b>The Guild</b> Edna Fewtrell or Madge Holt</p>	<p><b>Guild Chapel Hall</b> Last Tues in month 2.30pm</p> <p><b>Halle Group</b> Jim Rankin. Tel 651170</p> <p><b>Holly Tree Riding Stables</b> Gloria Robinson. Tel 722188</p> <p><b>Iyengar Yoga</b> Wednesday 6.30pm—8pm PVH. Contact Sue Rennie. Tel 01606 888324</p> <p><b>Lower Peover Kids Club</b> 4-14 years. Contact Kathy McIntyre. Tel 722358</p> <p><b>Mereside Brass Band(PVH)</b> Bookings Tel 07747 302064 practice Fri 8-10pm Tel 07747302064 Learners 6.45-7.45pm Tel 07879697768</p> <p><b>Mums and Tots</b> VH Tues morning (termtime)</p> <p><b>Plumley Celtic FC</b> J Betts. Tel 01606 737602</p> <p><b>Plumley WI</b> PVH 1st Monday in month Christine England. Tel 722283</p> <p><b>Probus Club</b> D Tricker. Tel 634756</p>	
<p><b>Rubbish Collection. Wednesday.</b></p> <p>Black bins: 11th/25th Jan and 8th/22nd Feb Recycled materials including silver bins: 4th/ 18th Jan and 1st/15th/29th Feb</p>		

**On behalf of the Parish Council, we would like to wish all our residents  
A Happy New Year!**

Events at Toft Church Hall	Mobile Library
<p><b><u>Monday</u></b></p> <p>Band Practice 8pm-10pm Kerrs68@talktalk.net</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday</u></b></p> <p>Art Group 10am-12 noon Wendy Ramsay. 632362</p> <p>2nd Toft Brownies 6.pm-7.30pm Lisa Codling &amp; Lynne Young. 640572 and 621682</p> <p>Toft Quilters 1pm-3pm 1st Wed of month</p> <p><b><u>Thursday</u></b></p> <p>The Callanetic Gp 9am-10am Carol Gunter. 651038</p> <p>New Brownies Gp 5.45pm-7pm Caroline Morris rickcasper@btinternet.com</p> <p>6th Knutsford Guides 7.15pm-8.30pm. 07880 501928 mcnixon@virginmedia.com</p> <p>Toft Mothers Union 2pm-4pm 1st Thursday in month. 634644</p> <p><b><u>Friday</u></b></p> <p>The Callanetic Gp 10.15am-11.15am Carol Gunter. 651038</p>	<p>Every other Tuesday 3rd, 17th, 31st Jan: 14th &amp; 28th Feb. Village Hall 10.25 am— 10.45 am Ascol Drive 10.55 am—11.15 am Ascol Drive—10.50am</p> <p><b>Cheshire East Councillor George Walton - 651507</b> george.walton@cheshireeast.gov.uk</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Margaret Wilcox School of Speech and Drama</b></p> <p>Sessions are being held every week on Mondays and Tuesdays, 4.00—5.00pm and 5.00-6.00pm for 5 - 11 year olds and from 6.00-7.00pm for 11 - 18 year olds</p> <p><b>Parish Clerk. Sharon Jones</b></p> <p>20 Farm Road, Rudheath, Northwich. Cheshire. CW9 7DY</p> <p><b>07834 230351</b></p> <p>clerk@plumley-bexton-toft-parish-council.co.uk</p>