



Plumley Village Newsletter

Including Toft and Bexton

Produced by Plumley with Toft and Bexton Parish Council

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Newsletter.

Between editions of the Newsletter all the latest information and news can be found on the website,

Plumley Village Fete

Saturday 30th June 2018 starting at 2pm

We hope that you will be able to join us for our annual Village Fete at the Village Hall. We will again be entertained by Mereside Brass, have all the usual popular stalls & one or two new ones. After the success of last year we also extend a warm invitation to our canine friends to join us for some fun & games. Look out for more details soon.

This year we will again be offering to collect your books, bric-a-brac & other donations to the fete. Details of the collection dates will be on the flyers circulated nearer the time. In case you were wondering what happens to any items that don't get sold on the day, they all go to the British Heart Foundation, so nothing is wasted.

If you would like to help with the Fete or if you are a small local business who would like a stall on the day then please contact me or any committee member.

Saturday 28th July 8pm we will be presenting "Jazz in the Village" with Ian Millar and Dominic Spencer Jazz duo. Tickets priced £10 will be available nearer the time via the usual routes (on-line, by email, phone & at the village shop). Look out for information on the village hall website & posters. You can also check out the duo on YouTube & at www.millarandspencer.co.uk. Should be a great evening.

We look forward to welcoming you soon.

Pam Arnfield Chair@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk (tel:722262)

Best Kept Village 2018 & Plumley Litter picking

Plumley will be entering the Best Kept Village competition in 2018 which will need the support of local residents and businesses. Judges will visit the village starting in April through to September and it is all about first impressions, what they will be looking for is the amount of litter there is, no dropped dog poo or poo bags basically a demonstration of care relating to the clearing of weeds, floral enhancements, village benches spring cleaned, signage cleaned off, individual verges tended, all of which make Plumley a nicer place to live. The judges need to come away with the feeling that the residents really care for their village and we can all contribute towards this by looking after our own patch and perhaps our road frontage too. Some will make more effort - hanging baskets, tubs of flowers etc which is always appreciated. Each village will have areas that the judges are asked to pay attention to - such as the church, the village shop, the pub, the village hall, the playground, the station etc - the judges will then get out of their car and have a walk and a look around

Litter pick 14th April—meeting at 10.00am at the Village Hall car park

Already a band of volunteers including members of the Parish Council, the WI and residents are meeting on the 14th April to start work, the Parish Council will have an amount of high vis vests gloves and litter pickers for volunteers if you have your own bring those along as well, the benefits are there for all to see as well as being good exercise and meeting new people and having some fun. If you have any thoughts or ideas that you feel will enhance the village that are aligned to the objectives of the Best Kept Village competition please contact the clerk whose details are below (bottom left)

Copy date for the next edition will be 20th May 2018

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Parish Councillors areas of responsibility responsibilities

Tony Gabbott	Chairman.
Chris Wilson	Vice Chair and playing fields
David Nichols	Village Hall
John Wright	Planning.
Gerald Coates	Highways
To be decided	Footpaths
Howard Lawton	Community Resilience

	Key
PVH	Plumley Village Hall
TCH	Toft Church Hall
SJT	St John's Church Toft
PMC	Plumley Methodist Church
WI	Women's Institute.
PC	Parish Council
LP	Lower Peover

Plumley with Toft and Bexton - Neighbourhood Plan

The Parish Council are looking at the feasibility of producing a Neighbourhood Plan which will relate to the use and development of land in the Parish and associated social, economic and environmental issues. It will be a community-led framework for guiding the future development and growth of the Parish and will allow our community to decide on the direction, size and content of any development. It will contain a vision, aims, planning policies, proposals for improving the area and allocation of specific sites for development.

We have identified the following themes that will help to improve the Parish and we are asking, at this very early stage, for any comment, suggestions, input and assistance in formulating the Neighbourhood Plan.

Enhance the built environment: limited development of brownfield sites; reuse or replacement of existing buildings.

Improve settings of listed buildings and ancient monument (s): identify and enhance industrial or earlier archaeology.

Support local businesses: existing and new.

Enhance landscape character and quality: woodland management; countryside and open views.

Improve movement: traffic management and calming; improve public rights of way; footpaths and bridleways.

Passive and active recreation: Support and encourage facilities in the Parish; enhance the SSSI; increase rural activities/agricultural diversification.

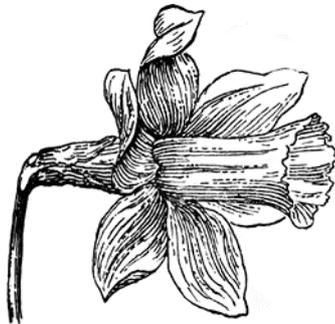
Community facilities and engagement: enhance and consolidate community facilities focused on the present village hall location; encourage community volunteers scheme.

Environment and pollution: tackle litter and fly tipping; enhance watercourses; mitigate noise and light pollution.

IF YOU WISH TO HELP OR COMMENT ON THE ABOVE PROPOSAL PLEASE CONTACT:

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MAY DAY TRADITIONS



Maypoles can still be seen on the village greens. Barwick in Yorkshire, claims the largest maypole in England, standing some 30 metres in height.

May Day is still celebrated in many villages with the

crowning of the May Queen. The gentlemen of the village may also be found celebrating with Jack-in-the-Green, otherwise found on the signs of pubs across the country called the Green Man.

Students at St Andrews rush naked into the sea at sunrise on 1 May out of enthusiasm for the change of season!

The date coincides with International Workers' Day.

The prefix 'Royal' was bestowed on the Knutsford May Day event in 1887 by their Majesties King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra, then Prince and Princess of Wales.

Plumley Womens Institute

Almost 40 members and visitors enjoyed an evening along the Bollin Valley with Keith Warrender at the March meeting in Plumley Village Hall. The superb quality of the photographs enhanced the journey from Styal to Dunham. The Bollin Valley stretches 30 miles from Macclesfield to the Manchester Ship Canal near Lymm. In 1929 a small municipal airport came to the Ringway area, then after the war it became a National, then the Manchester International Airport we know today. This had an impact on the Valley but every effort was made to enhance features for the wildlife and public alike. Concord now has a permanent display in a £1m hanger. Concord measures 204 feet long which is longer than the Wright Brothers first flight! Keith's photos took members along Castle Mill into Ashley, Hale Golf Club, through Tatton Estate, Bowden and Dunham. The interesting snippets of history along the route were a delight and enjoyed by everyone.

- W I members are attending a meeting to hear "how are ethical dilemmas resolved in medicine." Not only do W I produce Jam but take a great interest in science and Public affairs. Members are helping with Plumley Village Litter Pick and enjoy sports and craft. The next meeting will be held at Plumley Village Hall on 9th April at 7.30pm. If you cannot make that one why not try 14th May?

Cheshire West and Chester Council operate the "Rural Rider" bus from Plumley to Northwich on a Wednesday and Friday. if you would like to use this service please call 01606 784100.

<p>PLUMLEY & DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB</p>	<p>PLUMLEY METHODIST CHURCH</p>
<p>A club for retired business men covering Plumley, Knutsford and the surrounding area. Meetings with speakers most 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at the Golden Pheasant; plus meals regular walks bowls and social outings. Outdoor bowls on Thursday mornings at Crosstown Bowling Club will commence in April In 2018 the Club will celebrate its 40th birthday Forthcoming meetings from 12 noon at the Golden Pheasant:</p> <p>10th April Ed Abrams—The World turned upside down 24th April Geoff Scargill -I never left school 08th May Bob Kermeen Iraq’s weapons of mass destruction followed by Committee 22nd May George Lane -The Life of an Airport Chaplain</p> <p>Facebook: plumleyprobus Tel: David Cowgill (Secretary) 01565 632344 e-mail plumleyprobus@gmail.com</p>	<p>You will probably have noticed that the village Church has recently undergone external structural repairs. This was essential remedial work to ensure public safety. The work has now been completed but it has, of course, been followed by the bill - which amounts to just over £12,000. The members of the Church would like to express their sincere thanks to all those who have supported in any way the effort to raise funds towards the cost of the repairs. This essential work has, however, had a major impact on Church funds. As a consequence, there will be several fundraising events over the coming year to support the work of the church. We would love to see you at these events, which will be publicised in the Village Newsletter and on the Church Noticeboard.</p>
<p>KNUTSFORD FLORAL DESIGN CLUB</p>	<p>PLUMLEY VILLAGE SINGERS</p>
<p>The Club meets on the third Wednesday of February and March at 1-30 for 2pm at Plumley Village Hall, when we will be entertained by a qualified demonstrator in Floral art who will give advice on this stunning art form. All the Floral exhibits are raffled at the end of the afternoon and then tea and biscuits are served. We are known as a very friendly, welcoming club, we hold workshops for members and visitors. Come along and join us to find out more, a warm welcome is guaranteed and someone is always there to greet you.</p>	<p>The group started towards the end of last year and meets once a fortnight at 7pm to 8:30ish in Plumley church hall, 20 plus people attend regularly and new members are always welcome (there is a nominal fee of £2 per session which covers hire of the hall, printing of song sheets, tea or coffee and biscuits). We would be very interested to hear from anyone who plays a guitar or any other musical instrument who might be interested in accompanying us. We attended several functions during the christmas season and spent an evening carol singing around the village, despite the awful weather we raised an amazing £220 towards the repair work at the church. Many thanks to all the people who gave so generously and a huge thank you to all the singers who stuck it out through the rain, sleet and freezing temperatures. Apologies to residents that we missed, it took longer than planned to get around so unfortunately we missed several roads, next year we will be more experienced and better organised. The next meeting will be Wednesday 24th January then every 2 weeks from then. <i>Tel. Kath on 01565 722381 for more information.</i></p>
<p>FREE NEWSLETTER ARTICLES</p>	<p>BE ON THE LOOKOUT</p>
<p>There are opportunities for voluntary groups, from within the Parish, to promote their organisations activities and events through this newsletter. There is no cost, all that is required is for details and images to be e-mailed to the clerk on the date shown on the front of the current newsletter. Articles for the next newsletter need to be with the clerk by the 20th of March 2017</p>	<p>We have been advised that there has been a slight increase in drive through crimes, so please be on the lookout and report anything suspicious to the police. Ensure that houses are secure, car doors are locked especially with the warmer weather hopefully on the way</p>

Get it first : To receive this newsletter via e-mail

Local Contacts	Local Groups in Plumley	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Parish Council Chairman - Cllr Tony Gabbott 722767 ◆ Village Hall Committee Chairman - Pam Arnfield 722262 ◆ Village Hall Bookings on 0770 9864568 or by e-mail to bookings@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk ◆ Chapel Bookings Elizabeth Hall 722271 ◆ Tennis Courts & Play area Penny Allen 01565 722259 ◆ Plumley Stores/Post Office Jonathan Royle 722277 ◆ Toft Church Hall Hazel Raw 651205 ◆ Cheshire East Council 0300 123 5500 ◆ Knutsford Police 0845 458 6380 ◆ Flexible Transport Service 0845 0779110 (from 09.30 - 12.30 Monday to Friday) ◆ Cheshire West & Chester Rural Rider 01606 784100 ◆ The Guild James Eaton ◆ Village Hall Events Organisers (Fete & Fund Raising) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guild Chapel Hall Halle Group Holly Tree Riding Stables Iyengar Yoga Lower Peover Kids Club 4-14 years. Mereside Brass Band Mums and Tots Plumley WI Probus Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Tues in month 2.30pm Jim Rankin. Tel 651170 Gloria Robinson. Tel 722188 Wednesday 6.30pm—8pm PVH. Contact Sue Rennie. Tel 01606 888324 Contact Kathy McIntyre. Tel 722358 Bookings Tel 07747 302064 Practice Fri 8-10pm Tel 07747302064 Learners 6.45-7.45pm Tel 07879697768 VH Tues morning (termtime) PVH 1st Monday in month Sandra Youngson 723 220. . D Cowgill 01565 632344

Waste collection

General waste: **11th and 25th Apr & 9th & 23rd May**
Recycling & Garden **4th and 18th April & 7th, 16th, 30th May**

Mobile Library Schedule

Every 3rd Monday at Plumley Village Hall
 9.45 am—10.15 am
16th of April & 21st May
 If the car park is busy the Mobile Library will stop at the end of Malt Kiln Road

EVENTS AT TOFT HALL

Monday

U3A Drawing and Painting 10am-12noon Mrs Berry Northen 873053

Wednesday

Art Group 10am-12 noon Wendy Ramsay. 632362

2nd Toft Brownies 6.pm-7.30pm Ann
 E-mail : liggett@avaya.com

Toft Quilters 1pm-3pm 1st Wed of month
 Veronica Walton 651507

Thursday

The Callanetics Gp 9am-10am Carol Gunter. 651038

Toft Mothers Union 2pm-4pm 1st Thursday in month. Veronica Walton 01565 651507 or Pam Willocks 01565 722501

**Cheshire East Councillor
 George Walton - 651507**

Council Meetings

Recently the council debated the frequency of meetings which is currently 10 per annum, every month apart from January and August. The new meeting schedule from January 2018 covers every month- 6 meetings will be full council meetings and 6 will be reserved for planning if required. All meetings start at 7.30 pm and are proposed to be at Plumley Village Hall

April 4th
No Meeting

May 9th
Full Council /Meeting of the Parish TBC

June 6th
Planning if required

July 4th
Full Council

August 1st
Planning if required

September 5th
Full Council

October 3rd
Planning if required

November 7th
Full Council

Margaret Wilcox School of Speech and Drama

Sessions are being held every week at Plumley Village Hall (during term time) on Mondays and Tuesdays, 4 -5pm and 5 - 6pm for 5-11 year olds and from 6.00-7.00pm for 11-18 year olds.

Pre-School Drama Class, rising 2's to 4 year olds contact Sam Marsden for details, phone - 07887 778 822 or email -mwsd@hotmail.co.uk

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.

You can also leave a voice mail on 0845 458 6380.