

Chapel-en-le-Frith Parish Council and Community Newsletter

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A message from the Chair

This is our third newsletter since its relaunch in December and my first as Chair of Chapel-en-le-Frith Parish Council since my election in May.

We recognised that we needed to improve communication with residents and also provide a means of keeping people in touch with what is on offer locally. This newsletter will be an important part of that process, along with a improvements to the website and an increase in social media posts.

We are asking people to sign up, so they can receive an electronic copy of the newsletter, if they are online. If people cannot access the newsletter online, they can give their address.

A little about me, I have lived in Chapel since 2009 and following over 40 years of public service in Derbyshire Constabulary and other community safety roles. I am now retired, I joined the Council, as I want to give back something to the community in a Town, which I love.



Many of the current councillors inherited a very difficult situation, they were not part of the council at the time of the original complaints about the park. The Councillors have remained involved, because they believe it is important to try and protect the park to ensure it is somewhere for people to meet and enjoy activities.

It is not always easy to meet the expectations of our community, especially under our current financial situation. I can promise though, we want to improve communication and seek out grant and other funding opportunities to carry out improvements to amongst other spaces, the Market Place and our other local parks.

The Parish Council carried out a successful community engagement programme in 2021, which looked at the Memorial Park and its role within the town. The resulting report, now underpins our action plan for this park. We recognise, however, that other parks also need to be reviewed. This will be a priority once our financial situation improves

To be a successful Parish Council, we need your input. We are exploring ways in which to gather regular feedback from our community. This includes carrying out surveys, encouraging more people to come and observe the council meetings, so they can see what is happening and get involved and by making improvements to our website and social media, so that people can contribute their views

I am proud to be part of a team of local people, motivated by making a difference, who volunteer their time, so we can work both independently as a council, or jointly with the local Borough and County Councillors to improve our town.

My email address and those of all Parish Councillors are included on page 4. Please contact us if you have any concerns.

On behalf of the Parish Council, I would to thank our outgoing chair, Mike Chantler for his effort and unwavering commitment during his three years in the role.

Tony Dales

Your Parish Council

The Council meet monthly on the first Tuesday of the month, in the evening, generally at the Town Hall - details are on the meetings calendar on our website: https://chapelpc.org.

Residents are welcome to attend as observers, and to raise brief points at the start of each meeting.

Very occasionally, the day/date may have to be changed, so please always check the Parish Council Website before attending.



Would you like to be a Parish Councillor?

Chapel-en-le-Frith Parish Council has 4 councillor vacancies, which we intend to fill by co-option.

Applicants are asked to give an outline of why they wish to be considered for co-option and what they would be looking to achieve in their role as a councillor. Please write to the Clerk of the Council at clerk@chapelpc.org

Current Parish Councillors

Wards Covered:

Chapel East Ward

Councillor Jason Adshead — <u>cllrjadshead@chapelpc.org</u>
Councillor Jim Perkins — <u>cllrjperkins@chapelpc.org</u>
Councillor Andrew Foreshaw-Cain <u>cllraforeshaw-cain@chapelpc.org</u>

Chapel West Ward

Councillor Alistair Beswick — cllrabeswick@chapelpc.org
Councillor Chris Williams — cllrcwilliams@chapelpc.org
Councillor Stewart Young — cllrsyoung@chapelpc.org

Combs and Whitehough Ward

Councillor Mike Chantler – <u>cllrmchantler@chapelpc.org</u> Councillor Tony Dales – <u>cllrtdales@chapelpc.org</u>

Dove Holes and Martinside Ward

Councillor Melissa Drabble – <u>cllrdrabble@doveholesvillage.co.uk</u>



Electronic mailing-list for this newsletter

We're developing an email mailing-list for this newsletter. So, we'd be grateful if as many readers as possible would send a short message to clerk@chapelpc.org giving your consent for your eaddress to be added to the mailing-list.

The Parish Council, like all local government bodies, is legally bound by data-protection rules which forbid us to use your data for other than the purpose we have stated, and we certainly won't. Many thanks for your help!



Revised Opening Hours for Town Hall Parish Clerk Office (from 1st August 2024)

From the 1st August, the Town Hall will be open on Thursday mornings between 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. for people to drop in, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays the office will be closed to the public but people can ring the Town Hall on 01298 - 813320 or contact the Clerk or Assistant Clerk by e-mail.

The new opening hours are for a trial period.

If the trial is successful the revised opening hours will be made permanent.

New Equipment in Chapel Memorial Park

The Parish Council had been given some Section 106 funding from Seddon Homes. This is money, which is given when a developer has built new properties in an area. The money was given on condition it was utlised in the Memorial Park. Since March, there has been an ongoing programme of improvements

The apparatus, which has been installed was selected based on the findings the SHIFT Report, which was commissioned by the Parish Council several years ago.

The report was written after extensive community engagement including online surveys and community conversations with local people

Going forward the findings and recommendations of the Shift report will inform future development of the park

Recommendations included:

 investment in play fitness equipment for young people – this includes the green bars and the new trim trail, these are designed to encourage active play



A new accessible roundabout, which can be used by wheelchair, or other mobility aids, has also been installed

Another recommendation was the provision of outdoor gym equipment for adults

The equipment for older adults is set around on the main path, so they can be accessed easily. There are four pieces of apparatus – a hand bike to increase upper body strength, a station for improving balance and core strength, a station for improving ab and care



strength and a static exercise bike, which can be used to improve leg muscles, tighten the core and improve cardio strength

We have also added more picnic benches, placed around the park, which are accessible and provide a place to meet friends, share a meal, or enjoy quiet reflection.

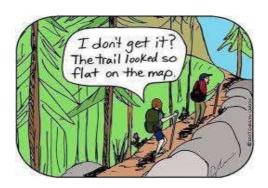
We have received great feedback on the new improvements and it is good to see the Park being enjoyed by so many people

The new Trim Trail is located adjacent to green asymmetric bars

<u>Community News, Events and</u> <u>Information</u>

KEEP FIT FRESH AIR GOOD COMPANY

If you want all of these then join the Chapel Ramblers. We meet on Wednesday every week. Walks tend to be between 7-10 miles with a shorter walk usually available. See the "Chapel Ramblers Club" website for more information



GOLD CARD – Companion Pass for Disabled travellers

If you're a disabled Gold Card holder, you may now be able to apply for a companion pass allowing another person to travel free with you.

The Gold Card currently allows the card holder to travel free on local buses throughout England from 9.30am up to 11pm weekdays, and at any time during weekends and on bank holidays.

With a Gold Card companion pass another person can also travel for free with the disabled person at those times. Eligible disabled Gold Card holders who want to add a companion pass have to contact their borough or district council. Applications have to be done online, or at the High Peak Borough Offices.



Dove Holes Car Boot Sale

The car boot sales in Dove Holes are becoming increasingly popular. Held every fortnight, alternating between Saturday and Sunday, all proceeds go towards supporting our village hall.

There is no need to book just turn up on the day.

The timings are:

11.30 a.m. Set up

12.00 p.m. Opens to the public

All cars - £6.00 per pitch Vans - £7.50



Onsite Parking: £1.00

Refreshments, including hot food are served in the village hall, indoor and outdoor seating is available, along with a bar

If you are a seller and on your own – don't worry one of our friendly team will take your order and deliver food and drinks to your stall

Remaining Dates for 2024

Sunday 25th August Saturday 7th September Sunday 22nd September

Chapel en le Frith Ladies Choir

Recently celebrated their Golden Anniversary with a packed out concert, at St John's in Buxton, at the end of June.



The Choir, was founded in 1974, by Eva Salt, a local Shopkeeper for 'ladies who like a night out and a jolly get-together.' This tradition still holds and we are always ready to welcome new members.

We meet on Monday evenings, at the Town Hall to rehearse together, so please come down to meet us, there are no auditions, you will learn as you go. on Facebook or to find out more, go to our website at

www.chapel-en-le-frithladieschoir.co.uk

<u>Chapel-en-le-Frith Ladies Choir are Seeking a</u> <u>New Musical Director (MD)</u>

After 6 wonderful years as our MD, we recently said a sad goodbye to the wonderful, Sam Gilliatt. Although, we were very sad to see Sam leave, this means there is a great opportunity for someone to continue the development of our friendly choir:

<u>ADVERT FOR Musical Director for Chapel-en-le-</u> <u>Frith Ladies Choir:</u>

Chapel-en-le-Frith Ladies Choir is looking for a new MD. We are a friendly non-auditioned SSA choir of around 40 members, with an expert accompanist. We meet to rehearse on Monday evenings at Chapel-en-le-Frith Town Hall and usually present 4 or 5 concerts a year, along with other events such as community carol-singing and fundraising for local charities. This year is our golden anniversary, and we're celebrating with music from many different cultures and continents – and aiming for a high standard in all of them. The role is paid a generous hourly rate (details on application). Interested in finding out more about the job? Then please contact our secretary Margaret Cooper: margaret.a.cooper16@outlook.com. You can also find us on Facebook or go to our website at:

www.chapel-en-le-frithladieschoir.co.uk



Blythe House Hospice

Previously known as Blythe House Hospicecare and Helen's Trust, the North Derbyshire hospice charity launched their new brand at the end of June.

The charity is pleased to reveal a new, clear logo and updated name to Blythe House Hospice.

We support patients with life-limiting illnesses such as cancer, heart failure,

COPD and neurological conditions like motor neurone disease, as well as their families

The hospice provides free care and support to people across the High Peak, Hope Valley, Derbyshire Dales, Chesterfield and North East Derbyshire. The hospice also supports those who are bereaved.

Geographical challenges mean that patients in the local community must travel some distance for care and support. The charity works to ensure that care and support can be accessed close to home

Blythe House Hospice offers advice and

support, from diagnosis through to bereavement, services include complementary and physical therapies; support groups; nursing services; outpatient clinics; counselling and bereavement support for adults and children.

The Hospice at Home service provides endof-life care in the comfort of patients' homes.

The Roaming Car service provides responsive care to help patients when they have an urgentneed overnight, this helps to avoid the need for ambulance call outs, A&E department input, or hospital admission.

It now costs over £2 million every year to keep services at Blythe House Hospice running. We receive less than 20% of the income needed to operate from the NHS, meaning we must raise the vast majority through our retail and fundraising activities.

Thanks to the remarkable generosity of the local community the care and support provided is completely free of charge.

To find out more, please telephone: 01298 815388, or visit:

www.blythehousehos pice.org.uk. Or sign up to their mailing list: www.blythehousehos pice.org.uk/join-ourmailing-list

Chatworth 10k for Blythe House, 22nd September

Join us for an official time-chipped run at Chatsworth House, on Sunday, 22nd September 2024

It costs £24.00 to register as a participant

The run starts at 9.30 a.m. and participants receive a medal

The 10k race is followed by a 3k fun run, at around 11.00 a.m., for children, or adults, who want to take on a shorter distance

The cost to register for the fun run is £7.00

For full details go to:

https://blythehousehospice.org.uk/chatsworth-10k/





Congratulations to local lad Jack Massey

Huge congratulations on behalf of the to Jack Massey, who in June, ousted Isaac Chamberlain via a unanimous decision to clinch the European and Commonwealth cruiserweight titles in an all-British showdown at Selhurst Park.

"I did it for my little girl tonight, I told her I was bringing two belts home"



Combs Reservoir Path

In Summer 2021, work began on surfacing the path, around a section of Combs Reservoir, which is muddy and was difficult to use for most of the year.

Fast forward three years and the work continues with continued collaboration from the Canal and River Trust, the Footpath Group, led by Chris and Kath Sizeland, Chapel en le Frith Parish Council, the Rossendale Trust and local companies including CEMEX and local volunteers. You can follow this link to a https://rb.gy/d28cbv video created by Cllr Kath Sizeland, which shows some of the work undertaken this year. The work has also been supported from the start by Cllr Ruth George.

More work is being planned for this autumn and next year. Look out for information on how to

become involved in the next section of the on Facebook pages of Cllr Kath Sizeland and Chris Sizeland and the Parish Council and Canal & River Trust websites.



Cllr Chris Williams, Cllr Tony Dales and Cllr Jason Adshead



Local volunteers and some of the Canal and River Trust Team

Chapel en le Frith Women's Institute

The WI plays a unique role in providing women with educational opportunities and the chance to build new skills, to take part in a wide variety of activities and to campaign on issues that matter to them and their communities. They also have a lot of fun too and a range of interesting activities throughout the year. This is the link to the Facebook page for more information:

https://www.facebook.com/ChapelWI/?_rdr

Chapel Women's Institute, which was founded in 1981, meets:

At: 7.30pm to 10pm on every 2nd Wednesday of the month

Venue: Town Hall Annexe, Market Street, Chapel en le frith, High Peak SK23 0HP

The Parish Council are very grateful to Chapel WI for the fantastic work they do throughout the year to dress the Tramps Garden and other town venues.



During this School Summer holiday, you can visit the Tramps Garden, on Manchester Road, with your children, so they can enjoy playing with the toys.



Please treat the area with respect and leave the toys for others to enjoy.



Charity Drag Queen Bingo – in aid of Dove Holes Village Centre and local projects – Saturday 26th October (OVER 18'S ONLY)

Ready to slay? Then 'shantay' to Dove Holes Village Hall, on Saturday 26th October at 7.00 p.m., in your favourite Halloween Fancy Dress. Hosted by Heidi Wurst, tickets cost £15 and include 3 games of bingo and a hot/cold buffet and prizes including best fancy dress.

To book tickets contact: Melissa Drabble on: Clledrabble@doveholesvillage.co.uk

<u>Community Information - send your information to us</u>

If you are local community group, charity, individual, or organisation, which supports our community, We can promote your activities and events via the Newsletter, and our social media channels. Please send any information on events, activities, requests for donations, volunteering opportunities, or support with fundraising to:

cllrtdales@chapelpc.org.uk



Newsletter Dates/Deadlines

The next newsletter will be issued in November 2024 in time for promoting any Christmas events. Please send any information for events, activities, awareness raising etc. by 23rd October 2024 to: astclerk@chapelpc.org.uk, or cllrtdales@chapelpc.org.uk