

## Broughton in Amounderness Parish Council e-news 2024 No 28

If have any comments or suggestions or wish to have it delivered, please contact the Parish Clerk: at the Parish Office at Toll Bar Cottage, 476 Garstang Road, Broughton PR3 5JB or by email [clerk@broughtonparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@broughtonparishcouncil.org.uk)

### Cllrs surgery

The latest surgery was held at the cottage on the 10<sup>th</sup> January with many member of the public able to meet the City and county Cllrs and the conservative candidate for the "Ribble Valley" Constituency Nigel Evans of which Broughton is now part. The issues with traffic were highlighted and the crossroads was visited. This meeting is planned to be a regular fixture so watch the notice board for dates.

### Traffic, parking & transport

LCC & Cllr Swarbrick (cabinet member for highways) have been contacted again due to the crossroads accidents over the Christmas period plus City Cllrs, County Cllr. & MP requesting a meeting with them. Ben Wallace has once again contacted LCC on behalf of the parishioners. In addition the PC has written to the Police & Crime Commissioner (Andrew Snowden) and the Leader of LCC (Philippa Williamson) to try to get help with this issue

*"Over the last five years as a Parish Council we have tried to get them regulated. Lancashire County Council say it is a police matter...On the LCC website they state:-*

*"The 20mph speed limits can and will be enforced in the same way that any other speed limit is. We are working closely with the police, and enforcement will take place in the same way it does on any other road. However, as with other roads, the key aim is not to prosecute people but to encourage drivers to keep to the speed limits because they value the reasons for doing so".*

*Yet there has been no prosecutions for exceeding the 20mph speed limit. The county council say there is no data...as a parish council we have installed SPID's and have the data that proves that in our area the speed limits are regularly exceeded. This has had a strong effect on the Broughton crossroads where there are many significant accidents including two serious ones over Christmas. BUT it is not just a Broughton problem is it a problem across the county with many Councils experiencing the same problem. Other counties across England and the whole of Wales where 20mh limits are in place fine the drivers. The research by the "20 is plenty" campaign show this has a strong effect on speeding".*

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/broughtonparishcouncil/posts/>

### Dates for your diary

Village Information Session  
To include an update on the  
Neighborhood plan review  
Saturday 10th February  
@ 9.30 am

The Wilson Room at Broughton  
& District Club

### Grants available

Damaris Dixon Charity  
CiL Grants  
(See PC website)

### Local Groups contact details

Women's Institute

[https://lancashire.thewi.org.uk/  
find-wi/broughton](https://lancashire.thewi.org.uk/find-wi/broughton)

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 7.30  
at Broughton Club

Rainbows, Brownies & Guides

[https://www.facebook.com/p/  
Girlguiding-Broughton-District-  
100076148851756/](https://www.facebook.com/p/Girlguiding-Broughton-District-100076148851756/)

Meets on various days at the  
Guide hut in King Georges

Field, Pinfold entrance

Beavers, Cubs & Scouts

[https://www.1stbroughtonscou  
ts.org.uk/](https://www.1stbroughtonscouts.org.uk/)

Meets at the scout hut behind  
the vicarage

Broughton & District club

[https://www.broughtonanddist  
rictclub.co.uk](https://www.broughtonanddistrictclub.co.uk)

Whittingham Lane, just to the  
east of the crossroads

Tennis, petanque, bowls,  
bridge, pool, drama, snooker &  
social membership available

Rotary Club

[https://www.rotary-  
ribi.org/clubs/homepage.php?  
ClubID=1176](https://www.rotary-ribi.org/clubs/homepage.php?ClubID=1176)

Meets at the Preston  
Delta/Marriott Hotel

## **Broughton Parish Community Charity**

The BPCC will be taking over the management of the Toll Bar Cottage Community Meeting Rooms & café from the 7<sup>th</sup> February from the Parish Council. The Parish Council retains the ownership and upkeep of the building but will transfer the "business" and TUPE the current staff on that date as the Lottery Project comes to an end in March. Visitors will see no changes as Jenni, her team and the volunteers continue their excellence service

## **Broughton Neighborhood Development Plan review**

Our planning expert has been very busy working with Aecom, JBA & the Parish Council. The draft changes will be available at the February VIS

- **Aecom** are working with Peter on the "design Code" which has had to be updated due to the new NPPF which focuses on "beautiful buildings". "The AECOM analysis (copy available at the cottage) generally considers recent building design to be acceptable (with a few exceptions such as window design and density on the edge of the village), but almost all the negative comments are about external issues such as boundary treatments, outside space (both public and private) and car parking arrangements. It makes sense for the Design Code to focus on these
- **JBA:** Are updating the Strategic Environmental Assessment completed for the 2018 plan to reflect the changes that the bypass and developments have made.
- **Timeline:** the February VIS will start the community consultation over the changes with a view to getting the updated plan to PCC for March to start the rule 16 & 17 consults then it can go to the examiner by May.....he decides if we need a new referendum.
- **Site allocation** The Wainhomes/Keyfold site including the nursing home and associated "community assets"(scouts hall, community building/new pre-school, primary school field, allotments, park) the UU site (high school) visitors car park and the "Settlement boundaries" as agreed including the "Areas of Separation" will be allocated in the revised plan. Unfortunately the Lancashire Local Plan already two years late will not be ready this year so any changes in policy or site allocations cannot be included in the plan.

## **KGV field**

The path at the south to the guide hut has several tree roots causing issues and the hut does not have disabled access. This is the 1<sup>st</sup> phase but it is unlikely to start on site before the end of the financial year due to the requirement for a Council report.

PCC is preparing the Documents for the larger part of the field improvement scheme. Once ready they will go the various statutory bodies, technical consultants and suppliers to finalise details of the project. Hopefully work will start on the scheme in the autumn. The re-sited play area will continue to be for 2-12 years, Hippo springy and Tea cup rotator will be reused and a new Basket swing & Multi-unit provided. Other items such as bins & benches will also be included.

## **Planning Appeals**

- Land to the west of Garstang Road W23/3330709 inquiry starts 6<sup>th</sup> February we have made written representation and have requested to speak, venue not yet agreed
- 17 Whittingham Lane the appeal W23/3324970 closed on 5<sup>th</sup> December the result has not yet been published

## **Welcome new residents**

The Watermill Gateway Community Housing flats welcomes it 1<sup>st</sup> residents.

## **Parish Council Meetings**

The Parish Council will continue to meet at the Toll Bar Cottage with a time to raise issues at the beginning of the meeting.

20<sup>th</sup> February, 2<sup>nd</sup> April & 15<sup>th</sup> May (with AGM)@7.30pm