

CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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SUMMARY OF THE CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT

In his annual report for 2008/09, Councillor John Peebles started by thanking Carol Norris, the Vice Chair, for the help and support that she had given him throughout the year.

He then took the opportunity to thank Maureen Cummings for the devoted work she had done for this Parish over many years; first as a District and Parish Councillor, then taking the Parish Clerk's post and finally as the Responsible Financial Officer. He also welcomed the new Responsible Financial Officer, Julia Ford.

He thanked the Clerk for her support to him and the chairs of various committees and the Caretaker for looking after the Village Institute.

He highlighted that crime still remained a top priority and thanked PCs Laybourne and McMahon for attending Parish Council meetings to give detailed reports on all aspects of local crime.

He lamented that the land behind St James School was once again a target for development, but noted that members were spending a lot of their time in trying to protect the site from inappropriate development. They were also addressing other major issues that were being forced on the Parish by Wakefield District Council. This Parish must never be integrated within the Wakefield boundary, he said.

He was pleased that the Remembrance Day ceremony at Newmillerdam continued to see increased attendance. He thanked Stuart Marsden from the Methodist Church and Canon Ian Gaskell for both the Church service at Chapelthorpe then at the Crigglestone Cenotaph.

Finally, he thanked all members of the Parish Council for the time and devotion that they had given to help residents with any problems that they may have.

The full report can be viewed on the Parish Council website at www.crigglestonepc.org

2009 PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR & VICE CHAIR

In May the Parish Council elected Councillor John Peebles to serve as Chair for the coming year and to support him Councillor Peter Daniels was elected as Vice Chair.

PARISH PLAN

At the first meeting of the Parish Plan Steering Group, Councillor Pimm was appointed as Chair, and the Group received a presentation from Amy Robinson of Rural Action Yorkshire. Amy gave details of a project management package, which could be purchased from RAY, and of funding sources that the Parish Council could approach to meet the costs. The Council agreed to proceed with a new plan and noted that additional community members were needed to join the Group. A Service Level Agreement with Rural Action Yorkshire was agreed in principle, subject to funding to be sought from Awards for All Lottery funding. Anyone with an interest in the future of the Parish area and willing to join the Steering Group should contact the Clerk on 01924 373487 or clerk@crigglestonepc.org

COMMUNITY HERO AWARD



The Community Hero Committee has met for the first time and confirmed that the award will be for a resident of the Parish who had done outstanding voluntary work within the community for the benefit of the residents of the Parish. The Committee agreed that candidates for the award would need to be nominated by three residents and the Crigglestone scheme would be an award to a single person rather than groups. A nomination form has been drafted and this will be distributed in the Autumn.

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Accounts 2008/09

Income	£
Precept	38,500.00
Interest	882.90
Loans repaid	1,480.00
VAT Claims	2,381.31
Sponsorship	1,897.00
Uncashed Cheque	100.00
Misc Income	1,400.13
Total Income	£46,541.34

Expenditure	£
Administration	1,606.92
S137 Payments (Grant Aid)	1,425.00
Open Spaces	4,623.24
Village Institute	12,398.62
Hanging Baskets	4,592.00
Hall Green Community Centre	646.17
Donations	33.00
Audit	460.00
Chair's Hospitality	-
Insurance	3,432.58
Police S31 (SAFE Scheme)	8,500.00
Newsletter	990.00
Subscriptions	872.00
Conferences	653.48
VAT Paid	3,206.80
Internet Site	188.00
Salaries	7,219.81
By-election 2008	5,304.46
Total Expenditure	£ 56,152.08

Balance b/f	40,639.46
Plus Income	46,541.34
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Less Expenditure	56,152.08
YEAREND BALANCE	£ 31,028.72

Anyone wishing to see the full accounts please contact the Responsible Financial Officer on 01924 363165 to make a convenient appointment.

VILLAGE INSTITUTE HIRE CHARGES

After two years of maintaining the Village Institute hire charges at the same rate, the Parish Council members felt they needed to increase the



hire charges to partially offset the 21% increase in running costs over the same period.

The hire charge to profit making organisations for the facility will be £7.50 per hour and for community non-profit making organisations the charge will be £6.25 per hour. The one off charge for use of the kitchen facilities of £5.50 remains unchanged and discounted charges are available to those wishing to use the hall on a regular basis.

WANTED - ALMSHOUSE TRUSTEES

The Trustees of the Charlesworth and Worrill's Almshouse Charities are looking for new trustees, who can make an effective contribution to the charities in terms of skills and experience. Each charity meets four times a year and is responsible for maintaining several one bed-roomed properties, which provide accommodation for local elderly people.

If you would like to find out more or to discuss what is involved please contact Julia Ford, the Clerk to the Trustees; Tel 01924 893942; email rfo@crigglestonepc.org

How to contact us

If you need to contact the Parish Council you can do so in a number of ways:

1. By phone - Parish Clerk 01924 373487.
2. By email - clerk@crigglestonepc.org
3. Via your local member. List is given at www.crigglestonepc.org
4. By post via The Village Institute, High Street, Crigglestone WF4 3EB.
5. Come along to the Parish Council meeting first Tuesday each month in the Village Institute from 7pm.