

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

There will be an Annual Parish Meeting on **9th May 2016** at 6.30pm in Goosnargh Village Hall. The Annual Parish Meeting provides an opportunity for Councillors, community groups and the police to present reports on their activities throughout the year.

## PARISH COUNCIL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDING

To commemorate the centenary, the Parish Council has resolved to provide a tribute in memory of the residents of Whittingham Parish who served in any way in the Great War of 1914 -1918. The tribute will be placed in the community garden off Beacon Drive.

The Parish Council also resolved to donate £1,000 each towards the provision of a new play area at Goosnargh and at Cumeragh Village. We are grateful for the support of local community groups as neither of these projects would have gone ahead without their support.

Following receipt of the new Community Infrastructure Levy Councillors are currently considering improvements to the pavement between Goosnargh play area and Goosnargh Village Hall and are also considering the provision of more litter / dog bins across the parish. If there are any areas you wish to draw to the Council's attention please contact one of the Parish Councillors whose details can be found on the back page.

## PARISH WEBSITE [www.whittinghamparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.whittinghamparishcouncil.org.uk)

The Parish Council website is being updated and we hope this will provide an informative guide to the Parish by including details of various community and charity groups who help to make our Parish a special place to live and work. If you run a local group, community event or face book page and would like it included on the website, please contact the Parish Clerk.

## NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

We are pleased to financially support the police to operate from Goosnargh Village Hall as this enables residents to meet officers and discuss any local concerns. Alternatively officers can be contacted at Broughton Police Station **01772 863390**. If you wish to hear about crimes occurring in the area there is a service called "In the Know" which is an email or text alert service. Information is also sent out about the latest scams. The service is free to set up and use, simply log on to [www.lancashire.police.uk](http://www.lancashire.police.uk).



## CONCERNS ABOUT CONSTRUCTION WORK

Planning applications are submitted to the City Council who consult the Parish Council and County Council before deciding whether or not to grant planning permission. If the application is approved, the developer must submit a Construction and Environmental Method Plan to the City Council. This document contains information on when sites may open, arrangements for the parking of contractors vehicles, wheel washing facilities etc.

Construction concerns should be reported to the site manager but if the problems are not resolved, residents can report concerns to the City Council enforcement section **01772 906 912**.

For information on how to report faults online or access information or report concerns about temporary traffic lights please see the Parish Council website [www.whittinghamparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.whittinghamparishcouncil.org.uk)

## USEFUL CONTACTS

**Preston City Council**  
[www.preston.gov.uk](http://www.preston.gov.uk)

**Lancashire County Council**  
[www.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk)

Dog Fouling **906907**  
Waste Collection **906904**  
Recycling **906905**  
Litter Line **906909**

**Highways** - potholes, street lights, overgrown hedges, flooding  
**0300 123 6780**  
**Email** - [highways@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:highways@lancashire.gov.uk)

## WHITTINGHAM HOSPITAL UPDATE

Residents may be aware that there is a legal document attached to the Whittingham Hospital development which requires the developer to improve and provide leisure facilities, travel services, artwork and allotments as the site enters various phases of development.

Leisure facilities have been well provided for by the Sports and Social Club and the Parish Council is working closely with them and the Homes and Communities Agency to ensure that the existing provision is retained and enhanced in keeping with the needs and demands of the area. Consultants are being used to assess the needs and current provision and their report is expected in April.

The Parish Council is also attempting to ensure that allotments are provided and has requested that the commissioned artwork reflects the life and work of those associated with the former hospital.



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**Cllr A Lewis**  
**Vice-Chairman**  
7 Green Acre  
Goosnargh  
Preston  
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Tel: **01772 863719**

**Cllr R Mills**  
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## HIGHER WARD

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**Chairman**  
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**Vacant**  
Please contact the Clerk for  
further details.

### **FOR ANY PROBLEMS, CONCERNS OR COMPLAINTS WITHIN THE PARISH CONTACT**

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# WHITTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER SPRING 2016

### **WELCOME FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Welcome to the first edition of Whittingham Parish Council's quarterly Newsletter which we hope will be a useful and informative contact between residents and the Parish Council.

Recently there has been a significant increase in new developments in the Parish, with new homes being built at Mosses Farm and many more planned at the former Ridings Depot and Whittingham Hospital sites. New development can present various opportunities and threats and with this in mind, the Parish Council feels the time is right to reintroduce a Parish Newsletter to keep residents informed of new proposals, to seek opinions and views on the proposed changes and to provide contact details for any concerns.

The Newsletter is being delivered to as many homes as possible but for those not on the delivery route, copies will be available from Goosnargh Post Office. If you run a local business and are happy to have copies available for customers, please contact the Parish Clerk whose details are on the back page.

### **WHAT IS A PARISH COUNCIL?**

A Parish Council is the most local level of the local authority structure and it plays an essential role in ensuring that the City and County Councils are aware of local views when making decisions affecting the area. Parish Councils are funded by local residents through council tax payments and since last year, they also receive income called a Community Infrastructure Levy which can be spent on infrastructure improvements to help meet the demands of new development.

### **COUNCILLOR VACANCY**

Whittingham is represented by 7 Parish Councillors - local people who want to work together voluntarily to improve the local area. Currently there is a vacancy on the Council. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, please write to or email the Clerk (see back page) explaining your interest and identifying any knowledge or skills you could bring to the role. Whittingham Parish Council meets regularly at 7.00pm on the 2nd Monday of the month at Goosnargh Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and there is a period set aside for public participation.