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Parish Council News

Badsworth Parish Council Newsletter

Just a Minute – Thoughts from the Chair

It is a while since the Parish Council published its last newsletter and much has

happened since then. It was pleasing that 5 councillors were elected in May. These were Brenda Graham, Kathryn Huskisson, Jessica Carrington, Peter Smith and Dan Crawshaw. I would like to thank the Council for electing myself, Brenda Graham, as Chair of the Parish Council. One of the councillors has now resigned and so we will be looking to find a replacement. Please keep a look out for the advert on the noticeboard and website if this is something you would be interested in.

I also wanted to take this opportunity to thank Tony Parkinson for the work he did as a Parish Councillor prior to the elections and I wish him all the best for the future.

The Parish Council continues to serve the community and since our last newsletter the Council has provided support in many ways for the village. It seems a long time since now, but last year the Council provided the Christmas tree and lights as well as supporting the Christmas event. The Village Day was a great success, a big 'thank you' to all those who helped with the event. The Council is always looking to improve the look and feel of the village and has funded two new planters as well as the hanging baskets and it also paid for plants for the village. I am sure you will agree with me that all these things help to make the village look great.

I hope you find the rest of our newsletter informative and interesting.

Brenda Graham (Chair of Badsworth Parish Council)



Defibrillator



The Parish Council is pursuing the purchase of a defibrillator for the village. The Council is looking at the best place to site the device. A donation of £300 has been received from the ASDA GMB towards the cost of the device and the Village Plan Group has promised a donation. Also, a donation was received from the Village Fete.

The Parish Council is still looking for other funding as well. If anyone knows of a local business that would be willing to make a donation towards the defibrillator, please contact the Parish Council clerk.

New Planters



Two new planters have been built in the village, one is outside the entrance to the school and the other is on Ninevah Lane.

The Parish Council is keen to enhance the look of the village and I'm sure you will agree, the new planters have really made a difference.

Dog Fouling

This continues to be an issue and the Parish Council has sought to improve the situation by providing new dog bag dispensers that provide dog bags for dog owners who have forgotten to bring a bag with them when walking their dog. Also, new signs reminding owners to clean up after their dogs, have been erected.

The new dispensers and signs are located at both ends of Badsworth Way and also on College Lane.



Parking and Speeding



The Parish Council is continuing to look at ways in which speeding through the village can be reduced. The Village Plan Committee recently undertook a survey of residents and although not everyone felt speed reduction was an issue, there were enough people who felt this was a problem to consider doing something about the issue. If you have views on the subject, why not let the Parish Council know.

Parking is also a major issue, particularly at school times. The Parish Council has been liaising with the school over this issue but has now decided to look at working with the Diocese to see if land could be made available to provide 'out of village' parking.

Christmas Event

Please join us on **Friday the 13th of December** at 6pm for the annual Christmas Lights switch on.

(Location: This year we will be lighting up the Yew tree in the churchyard.)

Afterwards there will be carols, Christmas songs and refreshments all taking place in the Church.

Warmest Season's Wishes!!

West Yorkshire Community Alert

This is a new, on line, service that is replacing the Neighbourhood Watch scheme. It is the easiest and fastest way to keep up to speed on local updates from West Yorkshire Police and approved local partners.

For more information about the new scheme, go to the Community Alert website (<https://www.wypcommunityalert.co.uk/>). Further details can also be found on the Badsworth Parish Council website.

My Account

This is a new facility that is available on Wakefield Council's website (Wakefield.gov.uk) to enable residents to report problems, raise issues and request action to be taken on a range of matters that are managed by the Council.

Why not check it out and create an account for yourself so that you can contact the Council if you have an issue you need to speak to the Council about. My Account is accessible via Wakefield Council's website and covers a variety of issues such as bins, fly tipping, dog welfare etc.

Could You Be Involved In the Parish Council?

If you have time to spare and would like to get involved with representing your village, or helping out on one of the village groups, please contact us at badsworthparishcouncil@outlook.com for further details.

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Activities at Lawson Hut

Monday

2-4pm Craft Club 07800909371

Tuesday

9.30am Parent and toddler (term time) – Linda 07870322149

6pm Keep Fit (not 3rd Tuesday) – Gail 07702232212

7-7.30pm (3rd Tuesday of month), Parish Council Drop In followed by Council meeting at 7.30pm

Wednesday

Ackworth Running Club (1st Wednesday of month)

7-9pm (2nd Wednesday of month) WI

Thursday

6.30-7.30pm Pilates 07813839888

Friday

Film Club (once a month)

8pm (3rd Friday of month) Disparate Housewives

If you have any enquiries about the Hut or would like to book it for an event, please contact the Hut via the Badsworth website or contact Sue Matthews at suematthews1@me.com or on 07553855108.