PATRICK BROMPTON NEWSLETTER March/April



Visit our village website at <u>www.patrickbrompton.com</u> for more information.

Our Patrick Brompton Community Events AGM has taken place via Zoom.

The new committee was duly elected. This year we welcome two new members and say a big thank you to Olivia Ryder who has been on the committee and given huge support over the past few years.

Chair: Helen Whitehead

Vice Chair: Margaret Chapman

Treasurer: Lynda Kirkbright Secretary: Brenda Stratton

Committee: Jess Brudenell, Hilary Clark, Judith Cockburn, Heather Hawes, Wendy

Shepherd

OUR VILLAGE LITTER PICK IS THIS Saturday 27th March 11.00am.

Pickers, bags and gloves will be provided and left outside The Old Schoolroom. This will be a Socially distanced event and those helping will be allotted an area to clear when they arrive at 11am. Volunteers are asked to kindly take a bag of litter home for disposal. Many hands make light work!

The Easter Tree will be in the bus shelter from Tuesday 30th March. Please feel free to add decorations – home-made or bought. If you want to create Easter decorations to put in your windows too, we are sure they would be very much admired and appreciated. **We wish everyone a very HAPPY EASTER!**

There will be a Seed Exchange in the Bus Shelter. Please leave any surplus seeds in a packet or envelope clearly showing the name of the seed. There will be a container for them – then just help yourself to whatever you fancy! Please be Covid aware.

PROPOSED EVENTS PLANNED FOR 2021

<u>Saturday10th July 10.00am -12.00</u> Bring your own coffee and cake for a socially distanced chat! This will take place on Jubilee Green. Bring your own chair too if you like – please contact any member of PBCE committee if you require assistance with carrying chair, coffee & cake! We look forward to seeing you.

<u>Saturday 14th August</u> – keep this date free – more details later.

This year we are going to hold a competition for the best hanging basket or planter. Join in the competition or just take part to brighten up our village! Many folk enjoyed the sunflower competition last year so we are going to repeat this too. Seeds will be distributed to those who request them — watch this space!

Help and assistance? Contact numbers: Helen Whitehead, 01677 451850, or any member of the PBCE Committee; Grahame Shepherd 077741 45256 or any member of PB Parish council.

Thank you again to members of the PBCEC & PC for personally printing out this newsletter and distributing.

Patrick Brompton Parish Council Update March 2021

At the recent PC meeting, the Council reviewed the **Village Plan**. This was originally drawn up following consultation with the village, almost two years ago. Several actions have been completed with only a few that are on-going, partially completed or not tackled. The revised plan will be circulated following the next meeting in May.

Roads

We are expecting work to start on the upgrade to the crossroads to the west of the village, and to the road resurfacing through the village in the near future.

Parish Precept

Those eagle-eyed villagers amongst you will have noticed a slight increase in the Parish Precept as part of your Council Tax bill. The decision to ask for an increase was based on the PC needing to consider improvements to some of its assets. This includes the roadway around the village green, the footpath crossing Manor Green; and the cost of a survey and maintenance of the trees on the village greens.

Memorial Bench

We will be replacing the bench by the bus stop. Guy Nevitt has kindly donated a new bench, in memory of his father, Paul. Paul was one of the sons of Billy Nevitt, who lived in Patrick Brompton Hall. Billy was a famous jockey who rode three Derby winners, including a horse called Dante in 1945.

Broadband

Further work to try and improve the broadband speeds for the village has continued which has promoted a response from Superfast North Yorkshire. We have been informed that the village was covered in a previous phase of Superfast. We believe that the only way that our speeds will be improved is if the underground copper cables in the village are replaced with fibre optic. That is a major undertaking.

The Green Tree Inn

We had hoped to inform you about the future of the Green Tree. However, the latest news is that NYCC Highways have recommended 'Refusal' to the latest planning application, due to concerns about lack of parking. Watch this space for further developments!!!

War Memorial

We are working with St. Patrick's Church and the village Community Events Committee to action renovation to the War Memorial situated in the churchyard. We are initially trying to discover who actually is responsible for the memorial, (Not that it makes a lot of difference) Many of these memorials were set up after WW1 and were funded by public subscription. We will keep you posted on progress.

Bus Shelter

The roof has now been renovated with thanks to the grants from Richmondshire District Council's Lower Wensleydale Area Partnership, and from County Cllr. Karin Sedgewick's locality fund. Some further internal decoration is required to complete the project.