



Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council

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Parish Council Meetings

Meetings are held at 7.30pm on the second Monday of every month, at the Village Hall on Union Street. All residents are welcome to attend meetings.

Minutes of previous meetings can be accessed at Clayton Green and Chorley libraries, viewed on Chorley Borough Council's pages for Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council, or on the Parish Council website.

Whittle-Le-Woods CIL Monies (Community Infrastructure Levy)

This is a tax paid by building developers to Chorley Borough Council, which is distributed via the local Council (Parish). CIL Money can be utilised by the Parish Council to enhance infrastructure (which is defined as transport facilities; flood defences; schools and other educational facilities; medical facilities; sporting and recreational facilities, and open spaces).

This year, 2019 to 2020 the Council has provided CIL monies to the following projects:

- Whittle-Le-Woods Primary School have benefited from a new track on the playing field as a part of their 'mile a day' initiative.
- A contribution to the refurbishment of the Delph Way play area in collaboration with Chorley Borough Council.
- A contribution to St Chads Primary schools new outdoor learning area.
- The purchase of a set of Goals for Leyland and Chorley Hockey Club, who are based at Buckshaw sports fields.
- The purchase of a defibrillator (for Community use) to be installed at St Chad's Parish Centre.

The Council will continue to seek out projects which will benefit our whole community which can be funded by CIL Monies.

If you have a project which you would like to be considered, then please email the Clerk to request an application form: whittlewoodspc@yahoo.co.uk

CIL projects are considered each quarter by the Parish Council to ensure available funds are distributed fairly and responsibly.



Please add yourselves to the local Facebook Group page **Whittle-le-Woods pics & memories old & new**, and keep up to date with all the local news and events in the surrounding area, or just chat over the virtual garden fence and reminisce, share photos, and socialise.

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Wendy McDonald, Louise Stanhope, Andrew Norris, Millie McDonald and Kelbie McDonald.



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Whittle-Le-Woods Community

Available for all residents of the Parish to enjoy and get involved with.

The Community Garden located along the Old Canal Path on the Polo Field just off Chorley Old Road.

In March this year with the backing and help of the Parish Council and Chorley Borough Council, the community garden came to life. We soon had volunteers and the raised beds were planted up with all manor of vegetables, the Leyland garden centre donated some fruit trees and bushes to us which were gracefully received. We had a couple of days planting different things up with local children, the sunflowers were especially well received. In July the garden was judged for the 'it's your neighbourhood section' of Northwest in Bloom and on the 31st October we went to Southport to the award ceremony. We were thrilled and pleased to achieve the Level 3 'advancing' award in our first year. After putting the raised beds to bed for the winter we will be starting again in January potting up some seeds in the greenhouse. If you would like to join us please contact me at dedrah@blueyonder.co.uk or look on our Facebook page Whittle Community Garden. If anyone, especially Community groups such as toddler groups, nursery groups, Rainbows / Brownies / Guides / Beavers / Cubs / Scouts would like more information, please email the Parish Clerk: whittlelewoodspc@yahoo.co.uk



The Community Orchard, located at the bottom of Hillside Crescent, is still doing well, and several more trees are being added by the Parish Council this year. Please feel free to pick the fruit from the trees, there is quite a variety there now.

CHRISTMAS AT ST JOHN'S WHITTLE AND CLAYTON BROOK CHURCH

To all who live in the parish of Clayton-le-Woods and Whittle-le-Woods—you are warmly invited to our Christmas events at both our churches. More details will be posted on our website - www.stjohnsandclaytonbrook.uk - but here they are in brief: Saturday 14th December, Christmas ADVENTure at St John's, with live music and live animals! Sunday 15th December, 4pm, Carol Service for all the family at Clayton Brook. Sunday 22nd December, 6pm, Carol Service at St John's. Christmas Eve, 4pm, Crib Service at St John's. **Christmas Day Lunch**—we are welcoming people to a free Christmas Lunch who might otherwise be on their own on Christmas Day. Please contact the church (01257 515141) if you know of someone who could benefit from this. When it comes—all too soon! —have a very happy Christmas. Philip Venables, Vicar.



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Whittle-Le-Woods Primary School



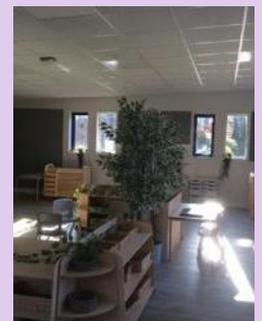
We are really excited about all the new projects that have been successfully completed here at school. There has been the creation of a track around the playing field which will allow the children to complete their 'mile-a-day' initiative, and then just before half term, the construction of our beautiful new nursery building was completed.

We are very grateful to the Parish Council for financing the running track .



We are now working hard to fill the classroom with delightful and wonderful resources ready for the opening of 'Little Whittle' in January. The final stage of this project will be a fence around what will be the Little Whittle outdoor learning space. This area will have sand, water, gardening areas, dens, mud play and a tinkering station where children can explore how things work.

Deborah Metcalfe—Head Teacher



OUR SILENT SOLDIERS

You may have noticed around Whittle-Le-Woods our commemorative silent soldiers are still on display from October 2018.

After the end of the Great War (WW1) it took many months for soldiers to be repatriated. Upon return to a safe harbour they were given a train ticket for travel home, and then many had to walk along roads and country lanes to their surprised and warmly welcoming families. The black "Tommy" images depict this.

In the new year the silent soldiers will be collected from their current locations and be re-erected in the grounds of the War Memorial on Preston Road.

Cllr. Chris Briscoe.



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- ◆ Handicrafts,
- ◆ Photography,
- ◆ Floral Art
- ◆ Children's classes ages 3-5, 6-10 and 11-16.

*Community
Events*

We welcome any local residents who are interested in organising or helping with community events. Contact a Parish Councillor or the Clerk on whittlelewoodspc@yahoo.co.uk

Dates for your Diary:

01/12/19	Christmas Tree Lights Switch On
04/12/19	Seniors Christmas Party
13/12/19	Christmas extravaganza
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GOALS GALORE !

Leyland & Chorley Hockey Club this month welcomed delivery of their new goals to their playing pitch at Buckshaw Village Sports Pitches. The former dilapidated goals were considered not fit for purpose and the club applied for a grant from Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council to add a new set whilst the others went through repair.

The hockey club have six senior teams and a thriving junior section, many of which live within the Parish. The new goals will allow the club to provide better training and to host 7-a-side tournaments for junior teams which was previously not possible.

To celebrate, the club held its first tournament, playing host to Preston Hockey Club, with matches at U8, U12 and U14 level. For many of the children this was their first real match and it was great to see the goals in use and so many children playing a team sport they so clearly enjoy.

Junior Head Coach Keith Gradwell said "the support that Whittle-Le-



Woods Parish Council has given the club is fantastic for hockey and our club in general. Getting our own goals was something we'd looked into, but to fundraise would have taken us two years. We'd like to thank the Parish Council for enabling us to get these now and the benefits the children will get are here now, not in the future.

The club is run by volunteers, we have the experience, the passion and drive, but not the money, so to boost our equipment with these goals will help us for years to come."

Leyland and Chorley HC aim to tap into the local community for it's next future hockey talents. Anyone young or old wishing to give the sport a go can contact Keith Gradwell at keithgradwell@hotmail.com for more details. Or if you have a child aged 6 to 14 the club run a session every Sunday 11 till 12.

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Cricket Club Update Autumn 2019

The Cricket club's senior teams both had successful seasons in the Palace Shield with the 1st team playing for the first time in its history in division 1a and finishing a credible 8th. The 2nd team finished 3rd in division 5 and just missing out on promotion to division 4 of the Palace Shield. There were some notable performances, with Irfan Patel's 299 runs for the 1st team at an average of 24.92 and Hamza Arshad's 5 wickets for 30 runs being the pick of the bowling performances in the first team. The 2nd team's batting was won by Stuart Barnish with 280 runs averaging 40.00 and his 25 wickets at an average of 5.6 including a best of 7 wickets for 6 runs saw him win the player of the season in the second team.

The club continued to run two junior teams an under 10 side and a joint under 13 side with Walton-le-Dale both in the Palace Shield junior divisions. Between them the teams played some 15 matches with some being cancelled due to weather conditions. Both teams performed better than last season with both the U10's winning four matches. In both cases the teams showed a marked improvement over last year thanks mainly to the coaching of Stuart Barnish, Guy Barker, Stephen Straughton and helper John Bannister. Some of the under 13 players are showing some real promise and have started to playing occasional matches in the second team. In order to continue this improvement the club is going to run a team in the Palace Shield's Sunday league with the sole aim of developing future players.

The Club continued to run the English Cricket Boards All Stars Cricket initiative for children between 5 and 8 to come down and have fun with their parents along with learning some cricket skills. From the first year's 10 participants, 40 children including most from last year signed up to the 8 week program of enjoyable learning experiences. The children grew in confidence with bat and ball, learned new skills and above all make new friends and have fun. The club is hopeful that we will be able to run an u10 softball team this coming season primarily from those all stars that wish to continue to play cricket. The club is committed to running the All Stars initiative next year so why not bring your children down and give it a try. A quick thankyou here to all the parents who brought their children down, along with the guys mentioned above as well as Ian Brooke, Alex. Frater who helped run the All Stars and Amanda Barnish who served refreshments

for the parents and All Stars.

And finally a huge thank-you to all helpers who gave their time in preparing wickets, cutting the

outfield, making refreshments, doing sundry repairs and fund raising without which it would be difficult to operate.

As always we are looking for players and helpers so if you wish to start or restart your cricketing career or can help in any other way particularly with the juniors and all stars please do not hesitate to contact the President Ian Crook on 01772315234 or at lucyandian@hotmail.co.uk.



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Kids' Page



Christmas Fun for the Kids



1. What do you call an old snowman?
2. When does Christmas come before Thanksgiving?
3. What does December have that no other month does?
4. What Christmas carol is a favorite of parents?
5. Where do snowmen go to dance?
6. What kind of candle burns longer, a red candle or a green candle?



Help Frosty get through the maze and to his gift!



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ball elf snow
 bell gift star
 candy santa toy
 deer sled tree

ANSWERS: 1. Water 2. In the Dictionary 3. The letter 'D' 4. Silent Night 5. A snow day 6. Neither, candles always burn longer

Emoji Crossword



Across



Down



Whittle Wanderers

The Whittle Wanderers team has had a good season so far, holding their own, even though the poor weather has made it tough going. The team are currently placed mid-table in Division 1. As ever the weather has affected the number of games played, but the team are still going strong.

In addition, the Whittle Wanderers have for the first time in some 20 years fielded an U14 team in the Central Lancashire Junior Football League. The U14 have played 3 games so far, losing 1 but winning 2! Whittle Wanderers are looking to expand the junior teams with a second U14's next year and potentially an U18's team too!

Bricks 'n' Mortar a local firm have sponsored the new team kit; however, we always welcome more sponsors to support the teams.

The facilities at Kem Mill Playing Fields are improving year on year with upgraded Changing rooms, a new parking area, and hopefully next year new pitches too.

If you would like to play for one of the teams or would like to find out more about Whittle Wanderers please contact Ian Curwen on 07716953245.

Community Spirit comes to Union Street Play Area

Jayne Rae has been the champion of Community Spirit this year, with many events for the community and fundraisers for Chorley & South Ribble Hospital and St Catherine's Hospice, but the most visible results in Whittle has to be the transformation of Union Street play area. Jayne rallied the volunteers with offers of refreshments and fun, begged and borrowed the paint and tools, and set about painting murals along the walls and painting the planters and rides. The children of Whittle have given the face-lift a big thumbs up!



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