

NEWBURGH NEWS

March 2024

Dear Resident,

Happy New Year and welcome to our first Newsletter of 2024.

Unfortunately, I have to start with some not so good news. Your Council tax bill for 2024/25 will arrive shortly and you will notice that there has been a large increase in the Parish Council component (equivalent to less than £12 per household per year).

Costs have increased a lot over the last couple of years in all areas and the Parish Council is not exempt from these rises and has mostly absorbed them in recent years. In fact, the Parish Council has only levied one increase of 4% in the past three years.

It is important that the Parish Council has sufficient resources to operate effectively and give the best service to residents and the village.

The increased budget will be used to cover increased costs for the speed device, school hire costs, maintenance of village assets like the Play Area, insurance costs and design of the new modern updated website.

We will be entering Newburgh once again in the Lancashire Best Kept Village and we will be having some Volunteer days to get our village looking at its best. Please help if you can.

Now we look forward to Spring and hopefully a good Summer and Newburgh Fair
Thank You

Mike Roughneen

Chair

Newburgh Parish Council

Newburgh Parish Council Website and Email

The Parish Council has a new website. Please visit our new website at www.newburghparishcouncil.gov.uk to find out information about the Parish Council, village groups and organisations and other local news. The email address to contact the Parish Clerk has also changed to clerk@newburghparishcouncil.gov.uk

Newburgh Fair

I have taken on the role of chair and this year's date is 22nd June 24 and the theme is DISNEY! If anyone is wishing to have a stall please get in touch. A few dates for your diary.

1st March Ladies night

23rd March Easter egg hunt

28th April Parbold Flea Market.

17th May folk night

For further information or ticket sales email annemenarry@gmail.com or 07866225854
Anne chair of Newburgh Fair.

Post Office

Post office counter services offer a good stock of euros and US dollars. Our shop is well stocked with fresh bread, milk, butter, eggs, cheese, bacon, sausage & other essential groceries and a great selection of wines & local gins. The coffee shop serves delicious coffees, teas, sandwiches and cakes. As ever thank you so much for your loyal continued support.

Newburgh School

Opportunities, Opportunities, Opportunities!

This term, like every other at Newburgh, is action packed with rich and engaging learning experiences for all our children. From our local community work at Appleton Fields (which has helped contribute to us achieving the Green Schools Platinum Award) to the plans for World Book

Day and British Science Week when our children will be inspired by a visit from a wealth of experts working in the field of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

This week our children had great fun competing in a dry triathlon and the adventures in Year 5 and 6 will continue with their residential to end the week when team building, resilience and memories will be created.

It is our intention from all these opportunities that we motivate and inspire our children to deepen their knowledge and love of learning so that they are prepared for their next adventures and they can shine in tomorrow's world. If you are interested in your children attending our Nursery or School then please get in touch on

01257 462916.

Pavement Parking

While we understand that there is sometimes a shortage of parking spaces, inconsiderate parking endangers the life of residents by forcing people onto the road. Please consider others and leave adequate space on pavements for pedestrians with prams or buggies, as well as mobility aids such as walkers and scooters.

Newburgh Christ Church

March/Easter Services

3rd March Morning Prayer. 10.00am

10th March Holy Communion 10.00am

17th March **Family Service, 10.30am. In School**

24th March. Palm Sunday. Morning Prayer. 10.00am

28th March Maundy Thursday. Holy Communion. 7.00pm

29th March Good Friday. 10.30am

31st march Easter Day. Holy Communion. 10.00am.

Compline Services for Lent

The Diocese of Liverpool is engaged in introducing a better way of worshipping with churches in partnership, known as Fit for Mission. Christ Church Newburgh is in a group of six churches that have just started to explore whether Fit for Mission will work for them. As part of this, a series of evening Compline Services on Zoom have been organised. Compline is a service of quietness and reflection at the end of day.

Dates are

Wednesday 6th March 2024

Thursday 14th March 2024

Monday 18th March 2024

Zoom will start at 8pm with time for a chat. service will start at 8.15pm and last for 30 to 40 minutes.

Email: churchestogether0624@gmail.com

Peter Lathom Charity

The Peter Lathom Trust trustees make yearly distributions including benefits to schools and to individual pupils meeting the eligibility criteria. If you feel you could qualify for a grant under this charity, please contact Phil Atty, either by phone 07595 056726 or email atty.pj@gmail.com.

Apple Cast

Spring is just around the corner, fingers crossed!! The days are getting longer and hopefully will become warmer encouraging us all to spend more time outdoors seeing friends and family

It has been a long cold, wet and blustery winter but all of the Apple Cast furry and feathery family have coped well with lots of care from our dedicated team. They look forward to our friends visiting giving treats and tickles

Our Artisan markets are to return on 2nd and 3rd March with lots of local seller's showcasing their lovely homemade crafts and bakery goods.

Thank you to you all for your continued support and friendship, it's lovely to see you in the coffee shop, garden centre and farm. We look forward to welcoming you all to Apple Cast please call in to say hello when you visit, stay safe and keep well

Wilton House Farm Shop

Stephen & Samantha welcome you to Wilton house farm shop on Back Lane.

We offer home grown locally sourced & sustainable fruit, vegetables, meat, dairy & giant delicious homemade sausage rolls & cakes.

We also roast our own coffee which we serve as hot drinks from our barista converted Rice horse box and sell as beans and ground in retail bags for you to enjoy at home. The famous Wallings real dairy ice cream & chocolates for all enquiries orders & deliveries contact info@wiltonhousefarmshop.co.uk

Stephen 07967627685
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Appleton Fields

As we begin our programme for 2024, we are planning to plant 1000 snowdrops "in the green" at the entrance and at the top of the wood. With the additional light penetrating the wood as a result of more tree felling, we look forward to seeing more plants emerging, adding to last year's tally of foxgloves, celandines, violets and creeping buttercup. There are already signs of the bluebells planted in the autumn showing through.

In the meadow we await the arrival of marsh orchids in May together with the results of last year's experiments to increase the wild flower population. The winter weather has made the whole meadow very wet so we would hope the marsh orchids will benefit (the clue is in the name!) but how other species behave remains to be seen. Thanks to grants from Newburgh Fair Association and West Lancashire Borough Council, we will now be able to make the entrance more inviting with the installation of a new gate, pedestrian entrance and hedgerow, together with associated groundwork. As ever thanks to everyone for helping at volunteer days to make the area as enjoyable as possible for all.

Contact Chair, Chris Hayes (Tel 07973 684564) or Secretary, Chris Moore (Tel 01257 463471) or <https://www.facebook.com/appletonfieldsassociation>

Parish Council Meeting Dates

27 March 2024
24 April 2024
22 May 2024
26 June 2024
24 July 2024

Parbold, Newburgh & District Garden Society

Meetings are usually held in Parbold W.I. Hall at 8pm.
For information contact David 01704 821984

Douglas Music Parbold

16 Mar: Lucy Parham (piano) & Tim
McInnerny
20 Apr: Ashley Wass (piano) & The
Yehudi Menuhin School
25 May: Anew Von Oeyen (piano)
15 June: Peter Donohoe (piano)Roscoe

Concerts start 7:45pm at Parbold
Village Hall. Call 01257 498452

Box Office:

www.parbolddouglasmusic.org

email: tickets@parbolddouglasmusic.org

Parbold Picture House at Parbold Village Hall

For further details on listings please contact 01257 463878.

Admission on the door £6 per ticket.

Doors open 6:30 for refreshments, screenings start at 7pm.

Sun 3 Mar: One Life (12A)

Sun 17 Mar: A Haunting in Venice (12A)

Sun 31 Jan: Past Lives (12A)

Room At the Top

Room at the Top Folk Club meets every Monday at the Red Lion apart from Bank Holidays. The entrance fee is £1 and we start at 8-15pm. All acoustic music is welcome - traditional folk songs and tunes to self-written songs and pop songs - music hall to modern day! All welcome if you want to sing or just listen.

Newburgh Women's Institute

Calling all women in Newburgh and beyond. We are looking for new members and meet in Newburgh School Hall on 3rd Monday of the month at 7.30 pm. We have interesting speakers, tea or coffee, home-made cakes and chat.

We also have a Book Group, Craft Club, Walking Group, Luncheon Club and outings to theatres, gardens and more. Contact Mavis 01257 463242.

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