



# KYLOE PARISH NEWS

March 2019

## THE PARISH COUNCIL'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



**MEETING  
NOTICE!**

will be held in

**Lowick Village Hall**

**Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May, starting at 7.00pm**

and will consider the Chairman's Report and Annual Statement of Accounts, as well as electing officers for the forthcoming year.

It will be followed by a regular meeting of the Council.

Members of the public are welcome at this, or any other meeting of the Council, and can put questions to the Council in person or in writing.

If you want to raise an issue it would be helpful if you could let our Clerk, Sheila Henderson, know beforehand.



**Broadband**: Many of you already enjoy enhanced broadband speeds, but many may not. Once considered a luxury, effective broadband access is increasingly essential, not only for business, but also for individuals who are now expected to access a range of services on line, including banking and government. Because of this, Cllr. Derek Eltringham has been building up a picture of broadband provision across the Parish. An earlier meeting with representatives of iNorthumberland, who are responsible locally for the fibre broadband rollout programme, had to be cancelled because of staff illness.

iNorthumberland expect to receive a new Development Plan shortly. In view of this your Parish Council will be arranging a public meeting and presentation, hopefully by the end of March. Details of this will be posted on the Parish Council website: [www.northumberlandparishes.uk/kyloe/events](http://www.northumberlandparishes.uk/kyloe/events) or please e-mail our Clerk, Sheila Henderson, who will let you know when the meeting has been arranged



**The Parish Council precept** (the amount raised through the Council Tax) will remain at the same level for 2019-20 as for 2018-19 and will cost a Band D householder £6.85p a year. The Northumberland County Council Tax will rise by 3.99% and Band D properties will also be charged an extra £24 a year to cover policing.

**Speed Sign:** Cllr. Lawrie has agreed in principle to fund the installation of an interactive sign in Fenwick Village. Permission for its siting is currently being sought from the County Council.



**Litter Bins** are being installed at Grizzles Clump at the top of the hill south of Fenwick and in Fenwick Village, to the left of the former Village Hall, beside the grit bin.

**Fenwick Defibrillator:** 9 people from Kyoel Parish (plus 2 others) attended a 2 hour training session at Lowick organised by the North East Ambulance Service, and arranged by Cllr. Stephen Biglands.



We are now waiting for Scottish Power to sort out the electrics, hopefully in time for installation to take place by the end of the month.



**Highways England** have begun work on the A1 north of Ellingham in advance of work to dual the road south of there. They have dropped their proposals for overtaking lanes north and south of Fenwick, and on the Belford by-pass. Junction 'improvements' are going ahead at Fenham-le-Moor and Fenham Hill only. It seems that the remodelling of the junctions at Fenwick, West Mains, Beal, and the Wooler Road are not going ahead, at least for the time being.

A consultation, closing on 8<sup>th</sup> April, on proposals for A1 dualling between Ellingham and Alnwick is underway, with meetings in Rennington and Alnwick. Comments can also be made on line: [www.highwaysengland.citizenspace.com](http://www.highwaysengland.citizenspace.com)

**The Lindisfarne Festival** doubled in size between 2015 and 2017. Since then the site has operated under a Premises Licence issued by the County Council. As far as we know no application for this year's event has yet been submitted, but when it is, it should be advertised in the local press and at the site. There is then a 28-day period in which public representations can be made.



**Holy Island Causeway;** Large 'lego-style' concrete blocks have appeared at the landward side of the Causeway, blocking the entrance to the car park and access to the pull-in by the tide tables. We have contacted the local Highways Inspector who is investigating further – they are not an official installation. Holy Island Parish Council has also written to a number of bodies drawing attention to the hazard they believe these blocks represent.



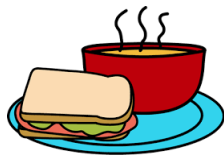
**The Captain C D Leyland Fund** is administered through the Community Foundation and aims to support people, and activities, in the Parish, which advance education, improve health, foster engagement with the arts, culture, heritage, science, or amateur sport, or promote equality and diversity and relieve poverty. It has made grants so far to Bell View, Hospice Care, Cancer Cars and local curlers.

Individuals living in the Parish should apply to the Parish Council in the first instance;

Charitable or Community Organisations that deliver, or wish to deliver, activity in support of the residents of the Parish should contact Jon Goodwin at the Community Foundation: 0191 222 0945 or [jg@communityfoundation.org.uk](mailto:jg@communityfoundation.org.uk)

Flyers from two local charities serving local communities are included with this edition of your Newsletter.

As well as its **BRINGO** Community Transport service, **Bell View** provides Day Care (01668-219221) at its Belford Centre and home care through its Help at Home scheme (01668-219538) which is registered with the Care Quality Commission.



It also supports Bowden Village Hall's regular Soup & Sandwiches Sessions: the next one is on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March.

More information about Bell View's services and volunteering opportunities from: 01668-219220 or [www.bellviewbelford.co.uk](http://www.bellviewbelford.co.uk)



**Hospice Care North Northumberland**, established in 1995, is the main provider of palliative care in North Northumberland, supporting adults who have a life-limiting illness, as well as their families and carers.

In addition to Dementia Support, they offer Day Therapy at their Berwick (Hazel Marsden House, Violet Terrace – a stone's throw from the Hospital) and Alnwick (Castleside House, Narrowgate) sites; Hospice at Home – care and support for people who wish to be looked after at home rather than in hospital; Drop-in Clinics in Alnwick and Berwick; Bereavement Support delivered through specially trained volunteers; an Information Hub offering practical, emotional, financial and social support to those living with a life limiting illness in Berwick on the first Thursday of the month in Berwick.

All Hospice Care services are confidential and delivered free of charge, but like all voluntary organisations – they only receive 9% of their funding through the NHS - they would welcome your support as a volunteer or fundraiser.

Further information: 01665-606515: [www.hospicecare-nn.org.uk](http://www.hospicecare-nn.org.uk)



Northumberland Local Plan

The consultation period on the draft **Northumberland Local Plan** ends on **Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> March** – comments have to be with the Council by then.

It is anticipated that the Plan will be subject to Public Examination next September with possible adoption in a year's time.

It is possibly make-or-break time for the development of a **Norham & Islandshire Neighbourhood Plan**, which is making slow progress, in part because of problems associated with a Housing Needs Report delivered by the AECOM Consultancy, and also because of personnel issues, both locally and at County level.



Further information from **Colin Wakeling**

## **NORTHUMBERLAND**

C O U N T Y C O U N C I L

### **Northumberland Adult Social Care Charging Policy**

At a meeting of the full Council on 20<sup>th</sup> February, and following a low-key survey which saw only 100 responses from the public, it was agreed that “charges for home care will take account of the full cost to the Council of the person’s service ... with exceptions ... for the ‘very rural’ areas of Northumberland”. This means that rural residents may now face higher charges for council care provided at home compared with town dwellers.

**Local Police** structures are liable to change in the near future, partly in response to financial pressures and partly because of changing patterns of crime. We had hoped to welcome our Neighbourhood Inspector to our next Parish Council meeting to discuss local policing issues, but she has just been transferred out of the area (although the Force’s website does not recognise this!). We hope to invite her successor to one of our meetings in the near future.



**North Northumberland Genealogy Group** meet regularly at the **Bell View Centre, Belford**. Their next meeting on **Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> March, at 9.45 for 10.00 am**

will be addressed by Duncan Hutt talking on North East Mills – he is an acknowledged expert on the subject and has a huge knowledge about the mills in this area. Entry for members is free, with a £3 contribution requested from non-members.

**Local Business**: Christine Robotham, based in Fenwick, is a practitioner of the Bowen Therapy holistic technique. Further information: [www.aidanfieldbowen.co.uk](http://www.aidanfieldbowen.co.uk)

*Please note: the Parish Council does not endorse any particular product or service; it is up to the individual to assess whether what is on offer meets their needs.*

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