

WHIXALL PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

Autumn/ winter 2015

This is the twelfth edition of Whixall Parish Council's bi-annual newsletter. We produce this to ensure that every household in the parish has up to date contact details for their local councillors and their clerk. It is also an opportunity to update you on any current topics. Many thanks for taking the time to read this and for taking an interest in your community.



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Welcome to my first report.

I am Ian Mercer and I have lived in Waterloo, Whixall for about seventeen years, I have been a councillor for two years.

I was elected Chairman in June 2015 following on from long-standing councillor, David Edgerton who carried out the role for the last four years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank David for all his efforts and his continued role as a councillor.

Our other time-served member, Jen Spenser, was elected as Vice- Chair

in June and I, likewise, thank Jen for her on-going support.

2015 has welcomed four new members to the council and three of us; myself, Chris Platon and Susie Marlow are relatively new, having joined in 2013.

Unusually, the latest councillor was elected by a poll that was held on 17th September. The by-election came as a result of parishioners' request for an election and there is a special welcome to Margaret Howard who was the successful candidate. The other new Parish Council members are Jo Hardiman, Bob Harris and John Fitton.

I would like to encourage all to use the Parish Council and to remind you all that members of the public are welcome to attend meetings. We are here to represent the residents and to act on behalf of and in the interests of the community.

The next event is the Remembrance Day service at St Mary's Church, Whixall on Sunday 8th November at 10.45am, followed by the laying of a poppy wreath at the war memorial at Browns Brook and all are encouraged to attend.

The final event of the year, and some say the most important, is the Senior Citizens' Christmas party at the Social Centre on Friday 4th December 2015.

I am looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible at these events and over the coming months.

Chairman Cllr Ian Mercer

Financial Report

A breakdown of income and expenditure for the year ending 2014/15 (rounded up to nearest £) is detailed below. The Annual Return including the Accounting Statements, Annual Governance Statement and External Auditor's Certificate and Report has been displayed on notice boards and continues to be available to view on the Parish Council website.

Income	£
Precept (from Council Tax)	6100
Council Tax Support Grant	361
Donation from Whitchurch Rotary Club <i>(Towards Senior Citizens' Xmas Party)</i>	50
Interest/ rent/ sales	38
Remembrance Day <i>(Collection was sent to Poppy Appeal)</i>	60
Total	6609

Expenditure	£
Staff Costs	2374
Grounds Maintenance	1222
Administration	941
Donations	635
Senior Citizens' Xmas Party	620
Subscriptions	312
Insurance	180
Training	30
Other (repairs)	23
Total	6337

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...It's that time of year again!

SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

Friday 4th December 2015

6:30 for 7:00pm at THE SOCIAL CENTRE, WHIXALL

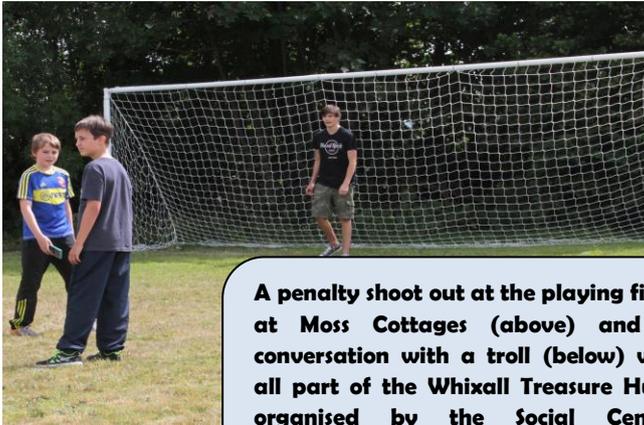
Whixall Parish Council invites

all Senior Citizens of Whixall to come along to
this year's Christmas party for a great night- free of charge
Hear children from Whixall Primary School sing some carols and festive songs, enjoy a good
supper, a Christmas tippie and sing-along entertainment with

Eve Whitmore



If you need help with transport please contact your local Parish Councillor



A penalty shoot out at the playing field at Moss Cottages (above) and a conversation with a troll (below) was all part of the Whixall Treasure Hunt organised by the Social Centre Committee in August.



Zumba

& toning classes

Starting at Whixall Social Centre on
4th November

Visit the social centre website
www.whixallsocialcentre.org
for future events and booking details.

Keep up to date with community
goings-on via Whixall Community
Facebook page.

Are you interested in Whixall history?
Do you have information about Whixall history
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