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# THE BATTLE FOR BETTER BROADBAND



A very brief survey has been put together covering access to Broadband, speed and performance, as well as which areas are worst affected. The Carlisle Parish Council Association(CPCA) and Carlisle City Council are

urging as many people as possible to complete the five-minute survey to allow them to collate robust data about the current situation.

CPCA chairman Ronnie Auld, said: "We are working with the City Council to highlight this problem and we are urging local residents to take part in the survey. This is valuable research and the data compiled will give us a clearer picture about broadband access within Carlisle. Please spare some time to take part and have your say."

The survey is now available on:

<u>www.carlisle.gov.uk/broadbandsurvey</u> Please respond as soon as possible. Results will be reported into the countywide campaign for high speed Broadband links.

For more information and advice on 'Digital Inclusion' for rural areas, visit www.acre.org.uk/policypositionpapers.html

(thanks to "Rural Voice" for this article)

# Stop Crime, call - Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111

# POLICING - PC Alasdair Wright reports -

To add to the rather damp 'summer' we've had, the nights are now drawing in...wonderful isn't it! A timely reminder to check your security, don't leave anything on view and report anything suspicious immediately please.

It's also a good time to make sure that whatever vehicles you drive are ready for the autumn and winter weather - check your tyres, brakes and lights for starters. It doesn't take long and is essential to safe driving.

I've said it time and again, we're lucky to live in a beautiful part of the world and it's a shame to spoil things by becoming a victim of crime or of a road traffic collision.

If you want any advice on anything give us a call – we're happy to help or pop along and have a chat when we are parked up at Hethersqill Parish Hall (15.45-16.15hrs Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept).

We're there once a month - poster by the recycling bins and on our webpage telling when we'll be there. Our crime and collision rates are low - let's work together to keep them that way!

Thank you.

Alasdair Wright, PC1564, 08453300247
BramptonNPT@cumbria.police.uk www.cumbria.police.uk

Longtown Police Station, Graham Street, Longtown, CA6 5NR Also -on Twitter, Bebo, Facebook and You Tube

Commission for Rural Communities Calls for Big Society

Evidence At a time when we are being encouraged to have greater involvement in the running of public services, as part of the Government's 'Big Society' initiative, there are concerns that many organisations are experiencing or facing funding cuts including here in rural England. To help them advise Government on ways of fully embracing the contribution and needs of rural communities in the Big Society, they would like to hear your views and experiences. For more information, visit www.ruralcommunities.gov.uk

Census Jobs

Every ten years a census is held in England and Wales. The next one is 27 March 2011. This project could deliver real benefits to our local area.



The census team says "If you can spare a bit of time to help us gather the information we need, we'll make it worth your while." Find out more at www.censusjobs.co.uk

# Highways



Netherfield pavement restoration between the Old Chapel and the Old School. A date is still to be announced but hopefully it will be complete before October half term.

HGV's - property damage is still occurring at Hethersgill Crossroads - The Highways Dept is looking at improved signed near the peat works to dissuade HGV drivers from entering the village - fingers crossed!

It's important to ring the Highways Hotline 0845 6096 609 or Cllr Heaton 01228 675328 if you see things that need attention



# The Parish Council - reports from recent meetings

The last meeting on 7th September covered

- Planning permission noted for a sun room Old Quaker meeting House, Sikeside, Kirklinton
- The go ahead being given for a new community notice board at Hethersgill Crossroads.
- The temporary closure of Kirkcambeck bridge between 6<sup>th</sup> September and 15<sup>th</sup> October for repairs
- A community grants policy proposed for next year's budget

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>
November 2010 and will be held in the Parish Hall, Hethersgill at
7.30pm- why not come along - the agenda allows for the public to talk about items on the agenda.

Draft minutes of meetings are published on noticeboards soon after meetings.

The role of the Councillors is to represent your views and concerns to the Parish Council and to other public bodies.

# Your Councillors are:-

| Cllr A Dalgleish - 675388  | Cllr M Kay      | - 675910 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Cllr N Elliott - 675336    | Cllr P L Nichol | - 675383 |
| Cllr F Heaton -675516      | Cllr A Sisson   | -675378  |
| Cllr H Kay- 675910 (Chair) | Cllr G Sisson   | - 675101 |

# SMR Property Maintenance

Plumbing and Bathroom Installations

Floor & Wall Tiling

Joinery Work inc: Wooden Flooring, Decking etc...

General Indoor & Outdoor Maintenance

Contact Steve Ritchie

Tel: 01228 672297 Mob:07872436925 Email: steven-ritchie@o2.co.uk

# NEW BUS TIMETABLE

A copy of the new timetable, introduced in mid August for the 94 and 97 buses is on page 7 of this issue

# Do you want to advertise in the Gill?

Advert size in each issue will be from  $1/6^{th}$  page to full page (A5) The cost is from £25 for 4 issues per year - Christmas, Spring, Summer and Autumn.

Call Clive Moth on 01228 675328 or email him at hethersqillpc@carlisle-city.gov.uk

# HETHERSGILL PARISH COUNCIL has a VACANCY FOR A COUNCILLOR BY CO-OPTION

There is a vacancy on the Parish Council that can be filled by co-option. Tenure will be until the next local council elections in May 2011.

The role of Parish Councillor in serving the community is both interesting and rewarding. There are 6 meetings of the Council per year with extras being called if the need arises. The role is voluntary and training will be available.

For further information contact the Chairman - Harry Kay Tel 675910 or Clerk- Clive Moth Tel 675328

# Parish Council Grants

The Parish Council has a small amount of money available to support activities for the benefit of the community in the Parish. Each grant will be to a maximum of £250. Contact the Chairman Harry Kay (Tel:675910) or the Clerk Clive Moth(675328) for more information.

# REALLY USEFULL INFORMATION



## Mobile Post Office

The van visits Hethersgill every Weds morning between 10.45am and 11.00 am.



# Highways hotline

Report holes in the road, floods, fallen trees, broken signs, faulty street lights etc to the hotline 0845 6096 609



# HGV's

If you suspect the HGV is travelling to or from the peat moss, report the Registration No.'s, Haulier name plus date and time of the incident to the

Sinclair site on 01228 675433.



Recycling if the bins are full ring 01228 817200.

Comments about the Gill We welcome comments about the newsletter or any topic - please contact: - Clive Moth. Clerk to the Council 01228 675328



Fire Safety in your home – ring 0800 3584777 for a FREE safety assessment, advice and a free smoke alarm.

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| Castle Carrock            | ×    | 0855      | *            | 1340 | *      | *         | CARLISLE, English Street  | ĸ         |              |      | 1230         | 1230      | 1425       | 1635      |
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| Hallbankgate, Crossgates  |      | -         | 0904         | -    | 1336   | *         | Houghton                  |           |              | -    | -            | -         | -          | 1648      |
| Milton                    | 14   | _         | 0911         | -    | 1343   |           | Linstock Village          | *         | *:           | -    | 1246         | 1246      | 1441       | -         |
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| Ruleholme, Golden Fleede  |      | -         | 0923         | 1355 | 1355   | *         | Barclose                  | 15        | *            | _    | _            | 1256      | _          | -         |
| Inthington                | ×    | _         | 0927         | -    | -      | *         | Smithfield                |           | *            | -    | -            | 1301      | _          | -         |
| Hethersgill Crossroads    | 8    | -         | =            | _    | -      | 1709      | Hethersgill Crossroads    | *         | *            | =    | -            | 1307      | _          | -         |
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| Laversdale, Village Green | 10   | 0921      | 0830         | -    | -      | -         | Watch Cross               | ×         |              | 4    | 1255         | -         | 1450       | 1657      |
| Watch Cross               | 54   | -         | 0838         | 1356 | 1356   | -         | Laversdale, Village green |           |              | è    | 1305         | 1314      | 1500       | 1702      |
| Crosby-on-Eden            | 0910 | _         | 0942         | 1359 | 1359   | -         | Walton                    |           | ě            | i i  | -            | 1319      | -          | -         |
| Hethersgill Crossroads    | -    | 0928      | -            | -    | -      | -         | Hethersgill Crossroads    | 4         |              |      | -            | -         | -          | 1709      |
| Smithfield                | _    | 0934      | -            | _    | -      | 1715      | Inthington                |           | ٠            |      | 1308         | -         | 1503       | (6)       |
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| Linstock Village          | _    | 0946      | 0946         | _    | -      | -         | BRAMPTON, Market Place    | 0845      | 0845         | ٠    | 1318         | 1326      | 1513       | *         |
| Linstock Road End         | 0913 | 0949      | 0949         | 1403 | 1403   | 17271     | Milton                    | -         | 0880         |      | 1323         | -         |            | 4)        |
| Houghton, Green           | 9160 | -         | -            | -    | -      | -         | Hallbankgate, Crossgates  | -         | 0857         |      | 1330         | -         | 16         |           |
| Whiteclosegate            | 9160 | 0952      | 0952         | 1406 | 1406   | 1730      | Talkin Tam, Road End      | 0820      | *            |      | ě.           | 1331      |            | T         |
| Carlisle, bus station     | 0830 | -         | -            | _    | -      | -         | Talkin village            | -         | *            | ¥    | ×            | 1336      |            | *         |
| CARLISLE, The Crescent    | G    | 1008      | 1008         | 1420 | 1420   | 1740      | Castle Carrock            | 0855      |              | 14   | *            | 1340      | 3          | 4         |

# MTTh Monday, Tuesday & Thursday M-F Mondays to Fridays STA operated by Staceys Coaches - all other buses operated by Stagecoach in Cumbria

# Is good quality, high speed Broadband access important to your business or household?

If so, please take two or three minutes to do the online survey developed by Carlisle Parish Councils Association (CPCA) in partnership with Carlisle City Council which measures the current speed at your premises. Please visit:

http://www.carlisle.gov.uk/broadbandsurvey

The survey will be "live" for a month initially and we hope to have the results and an indication of next steps by the end of September 2010.

There are numerous current initiatives at the moment to gain support for provision of high speed Broadband in Cumbria and the results of this survey will inform and add weight to them.

For more information please telephone 01228 817355 or email: rural@carlisle.gov.uk

